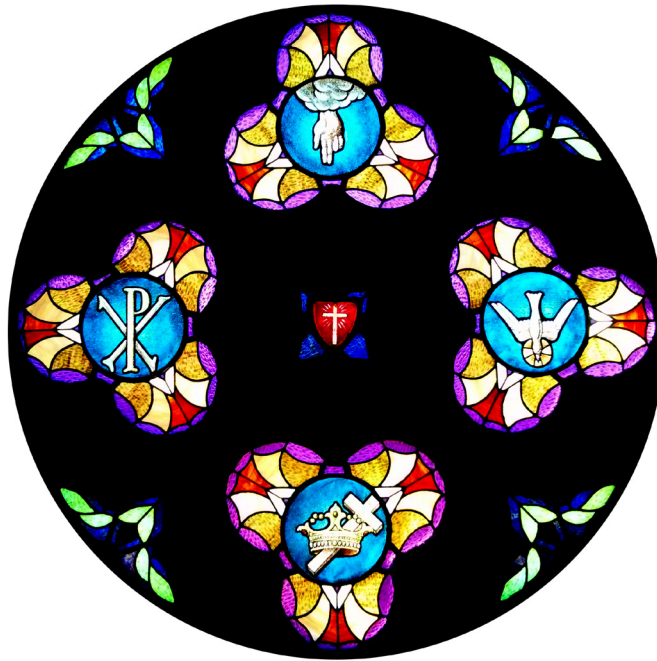


September 29, 2024

First Presbyterian Church

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Following Jesus, Transforming Life

Mission Statement:

First Presbyterian Church of Arlington is transforming life by glorifying God, following Jesus, and loving our neighbor.

Pastor: Rev. Chris Campbell

Lay Leader: FPCA Youth

Organist: Shina Heo

The Worship of God

Words in bold are spoken by the congregation.

§ Invites all who are able to stand.

*Please silence all phones and devices.
Please fill out the Friendship Pad in your row.*

Gathering

Prelude

Partita on Lasst uns Erfreuen

Charles Callahan

The Light of Christ

Prayer for Preparation

God of overflowing grace, cast out everything that oppresses us. Take away the things that make us stumble. Lead us into your realm of life and season us with your peace; in the name of Christ our Lord. Amen.

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Rev. Chris Campbell

Call to Worship

Upon this gathering of your people,

Pour out your Spirit, O Lord.

Be near to us and speak to us,

And we will proclaim your glory.

Introit

A Song to Your Maker

Russell Farnell

§ Hymn 321

The Church's One Foundation

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§ Prayer of Confession

**God, our strength and Savior, you know our great transgressions,
our hidden faults, our secret sins.**

With our hands we grasp at power.

With our feet we stumble into evil.

With our eyes we look out for ourselves.

**Forgive us, gracious God, and lead us in your holy way of life and love and peace;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

§ Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel! **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

§ Gloria Patri

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Proclaiming

Psalm 124

Responsive Reading

Refrain



O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,

If it had not been the Lord who was on our side—let Israel now say—

if it had not been the Lord who was on our side,

when our enemies attacked us, **then they would have swallowed us up alive,**

Refrain

when their anger was kindled against us; **then the flood would have swept us away;**

the torrent would have gone over us; **then over us would have gone the raging waters.**

Refrain

Blessed be the Lord, **who has not given us as prey to their teeth.**

We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the hunters;

the snare is broken, and we have escaped.

Our help is in the name of the Lord, **who made heaven and earth.**

Refrain

Children's Time

Children, age 3 to fourth grade, are invited to go to Kids For Christ (KFC) in room 108.

Anthem

God Is My Strong Salvation

arr. Austin Lovelace

*God is my strong salvation: what foe have I to fear?
In darkness and temptation, my light, my help is near:
Though hosts encamp around me, firm in the fight I stand;
What terror can confound me, with God at my right hand?*

*Place on the Lord reliance; My soul with courage wait;
His truth be thine affiance, when faint and desolate;
His might thy heart shall strengthen, His love thy joy increase;
Mercy thy days shall lengthen; the Lord will give thee peace.*

Epistle Reading

Ephesians 6:10–17a

New Testament page 195

Sermon

The Helmet of Salvation

Rev. Campbell

Responding

§ Hymn 441

Hear the Good News of Salvation

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Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering our Tithes, Gifts, and Lives

Offertory

A Mighty Fortress
Wyatt Annen, violin. Laura Farnell, piano

arr. Laura Farnell

§ Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!**

Sending

§ Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

§ Hymn 366

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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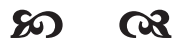
§ Charge and Benediction

Rev. Campbell

Postlude

Trio on Salzburg

Karen Keene



The Church's One Foundation 321

1 The chur - ch's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord.
 2 E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
 3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,
 4 Mid toil and trib - u - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war,
 5 Yet she on earth has un - ion with God, the Three in One,

She is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.
 her char - ter of sal - va - tion: one Lord, one faith, one birth.
 by schis - ms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,
 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more:
 and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won:

From heaven he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride.
 One ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
 yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"
 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,
 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we,

With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
 and to one hope she press - es, with ev - ery grace en - dued.
 And soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
 and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.
 like them, the meek and low - ly, may live e - ter - nal - ly.

This hymn was one of twelve written by an English curate to affirm the articles of the Apostles' Creed with biblical allusions such as 1 Corinthians 3:11 here. Though not created for this text, the tune was joined to it in 1868, and the two have been inseparable ever since.

Hear the Good News of Salvation 441

Wotanin waste nahon po

1 Hear the good news of sal - va - tion: Je - sus died to show God's love.
 2 All the sins I have com - mit - ted, to my Sav - ior now I bring.

1 *Wo - tan - in wa - ste na - hon po, Je - sus he wa - i - hdu - sna:*
 2 *Wo - a - hta - ni kin e - ca - mon, hdu - ha Je - sus si - ha en,*

Such great kind - ness! Such great mer - cy! Come to us from heaven a - bove.
 I bow down with tears of an - guish; Christ for - gives and so I sing:

to - wa - o - si - da kin tan - ka, he de - han i - yo - ma - hi.
kun i - wa - hpa - mda wa - ce - ya, Je - sus on - si - ma - da ce.

Je - sus Christ, how much I love you! Je - sus Christ, you save from sin!

Je - sus Christ wa - ste - wa - da - ka, Je - sus Christ ni - ma - yan: han, wa -

How I love you! Look up - on me. Love me still and cleanse with - in.

ste - wa - da - ke a - ma - ton - we is e - ya wa - ste - ma - da.

This text, originally appearing in four stanzas, was written by the first Native American Dakota to be ordained to the Presbyterian ministry and was published in the Dakota hymnal he edited. Both the Dakota and English versions have been associated with this shape note tune.

366 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heaven, to
 2 Breathe, O breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - ery
 3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy
 4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing; all thy
 trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion;
 find the prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,
 ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

This text and this tune occur in almost all English-language hymnals (though not always together). The transforming power of love motivates the unending praise of the life to come, and this fine Welsh tune (whose name means “delightful”) gives us a foretaste of endless song.

CHRIST'S RETURN AND JUDGMENT

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
 Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
 till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion; en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
 its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.



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*Praying you will be filled
with hope and the Lord's love,
joy, and peace this school year!*

- Psalm 20:4

Welcome Back
Snack Pack



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Please let us know how we can
pray for you!

Trunk or Treat

Saturday, October 19 at 3:00-5:00 p.m.

There are many ways that you can help:

1. Donate candy. You can put the candy in room 108 or in the wood boxes around the church.
2. Decorate your trunk and give out candy.
3. Help with games, parking, greeting people, or delivering candy to trunks.
4. Invite families to Trunk or Treat.

If you are going to decorate your trunk and give out candy or help with games, parking, or in some other way, please contact Kyle Terwilliger (kyle@firstprestexas.org).

WE NEED BOOKS!

Reading is like dreaming with your eyes open. Anonymous

We need your help! Let's give all the Trunk or Treat kids a book full of dreams!

The Wednesday Women's Bible Study has been handing out books to the FPCA Trunk or Treaters for 10+ years. Last year our supply was greatly depleted, and we are no longer eligible for a grant we have received in past years for books. Please consider donating any gently used or new children's books. Anything from infants to elementary. Board, picture, first readers, chapter books all needed. The biggest group is the toddlers to pre-school age. Many thanks to all who can donate. Trunk or Treat usually sees at least 300 people. Our goal is for every child to take home a book.

A box will be available at the end of the hallway near the Fellowship Hall for donations beginning Sunday, September 22.

These are good sources for reasonable priced books if you don't have any to donate from your own stash: Goodwill, New2U thrift store on Park Row, Garage Sales, The Friends of the Library book sale, Dollar Tree

Questions? Contact Debbie Richardson (der817@gmail.com) or Sheri Quick (sheriq@aol.com).

WELCOME TEAM — Help us welcome guests!

We want to make sure that guests are always welcomed when they enter our church, and that someone is available to answer any questions they may have. They may need help finding the nursery, the restrooms, etc. We have two Welcome Team members each Sunday currently, but soon will need four, when the current phase of construction is complete. Beginning June 30, there will be a Welcome Team poster and sign-up sheet in the Narthex where you can sign up to be part of the team for a particular date. Welcome Team members arrive at 10:30am and are available at a designated entrance. One team member will need to remain in the narthex for the entire service and the others can join the congregation in the sanctuary approximately 10 minutes after the service starts at 11:00am. Help us show guests that we are glad they're here! Help us make guests feel welcome!

Help us show God's love to guests by greeting them warmly and answering any questions they may have.

Fall 2024 Bible Study for Women “The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry”

Tuesdays, October 1 through 29 at 7 p.m. on Zoom

We are all busy. Some of us can't remember the last time we rested or had free time. It may seem that we must live at this frantic pace, but God has a better path for us. Jesus offers us a new rhythm of life, overflowing with grace, peace, and beauty.

Join us as we continue to explore the spiritual discipline of Sabbath and rest. This free, five-session Bible study addresses one of the greatest threats to our spiritual lives: hurry.

Please sign up on the church website so you can receive the Zoom meeting invitation link.

Online registration:

FPCA Website (firstprestexas.org)→Ministries→ Adult Ministries

Scroll down to Women's Ministry and complete the registration form

For questions, please email womensministry@firstprestexas.org
FPCA Women's Ministry Team

Wednesday Women's Bible Study

The Wednesday Women's Bible Study meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 1 p.m. Currently the meeting location is in the Fellowship Hall. This year's study is the 2024-2025 PE/Horizons Bible Study “Let Justice Roll: God's call to care for Neighbors and All Creation.” A light snack is served at each meeting. Members volunteer to lead the discussion and/or to bring a snack. All women are invited.

Questions?

Contact Debbie Richardson (der817@gmail.com) or Sheri Quick (sheriq@aol.com).

Weekly Calendar

Sunday 9/29

Sunday School	9:45 am
Worship Service	11:00 am
CMM and YMM Lunch	12:00 pm
Youth and Children's Music Ministries	12:45 pm

Monday 9/30

Tuesday 10/1

Senior Flexibility Class	9:30 am
Tuesday Morning Bible Study	10:30 am
HOPE Tutoring	6:30 pm

Wednesday 10/2

Men's Bible Study	8:00 am
Quilting, etc.	10:30 am
Ring of Praise Handbells	6:00 pm
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm
CWF Study	7:00 pm

Thursday 10/3

Session Meeting	7:00 pm
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Friday 10/4

Senior Flexibility Class	9:30 am
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Saturday 10/5

Prayer Ministry

Prayers for those with health and other concerns:

Carolyn Savko and her family, Jennifer Meyer, Charles Arnold, Jo Ann Nichols, Bob Hanson and his family, Mia Navarro and her family, Billie Jo Campbell, Carol Browning, Bettye Burdett, Cyprain Engwenyi, Betty Farrell, Ken Floyd, Bobbie Fowler, Ivone Franzolin, Mary Lou Garrison, Joe and Lila Glenn, Pat May and her son Tim Karnes, Graciela Lopez Montero, Mathias Mbeng Ndip, Charlie Nieman, Tina Paulk, Jim and Sheri Quick, Aileigh Rodriguez, Eleanor Schernbeck, Tonya Scrabeck, Lorna Snyder, David Spencer, Larry Spencer, Susie Thurston, Donna Vickers, Nancy Welborne, Patrick Welborne, Sherry and Shelby Wolfe, Danny Womble

Prayers for family in the armed forces:

Colin A. Peden, Christopher Young

Prayers for our home-bound members:

Madge Casselman, Lucy Cleaver, Betty Snowden, Dee Uhri, Richard Whitenight

Prayers for those who do not know Christ

If you have any congregational care needs, contact Parish Associate, Jim Shroyer at 682-445-0155 or jim@firstprestexas.org

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