

March 16, 2025

First Presbyterian Church

The Second Sunday in Lent



Following Jesus, Transforming Life

Mission Statement:

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

Preaching: Rev. Chris Campbell
Lay Leader: Danielle Haury
Organist: Shina Heo

Proclaiming

Psalm 27:1–6

Responsive Reading

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

When evildoers assail me to devour my flesh—

my adversaries and foes—they shall stumble and fall.

Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;

though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident.

One thing I asked of the Lord; **this I seek:**

to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,

to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple.

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;

he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock.

Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me,

and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy;

I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

Children's Time

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

Anthem

When in Our Music God Is Glorified

Charles Stanford

*When in our music God is glorified,
And adoration leaves no room for pride,
It is as though the whole creation cried: Alleluia!*

*How often, making music, we have found
A new dimension in the world of sound,
As worship moved us to a more profound Alleluia!*

*So has the Church in liturgy and song,
In faith and love, through centuries of wrong,
Borne witness to the truth in every tongue, Alleluia!*

*And did not Jesus sing a Psalm that night,
When utmost evil strove against the light?
Then let us sing, for whom He won the fight: Alleluia!*

*Let every instrument be tuned for praise!
Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!
And may God give us faith to sing always: Alleluia!*

New Testament Reading

Hebrews 10:19–25

New Testament page 224

Sermon

We Gather to Worship

Rev. Campbell

Responding

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

Songs of Praise

African Praise Choir

Be my witness, there in my father’s kingdom.
Here in Arlington, you will be my witness.
Be my witness there in my father’s kingdom.

I’m gonna sit right under the cross where the devil can’t do me no harm.
I’m gonna pray right under the cross where the devil can do me no harm.

§ 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

from A Brief Statement of Faith

**In life and in death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve. Amen.**

§ Hymn 385

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

OLD HUNDREDTH

§ Charge and Benediction

Rev. Campbell

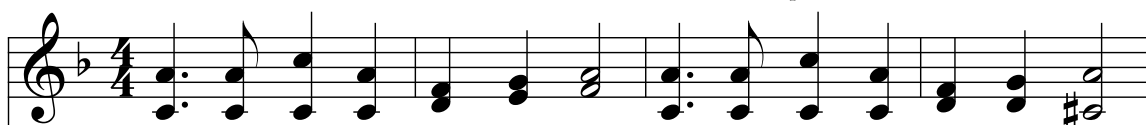
Postlude

We Thank You, Lord Jesu Christ, That You Have Died for Us

J. S. Bach



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1 Come, ye thank-ful peo - ple, come; raise the song of har - vest home.
 2 All the world is God's own field, fruit in thank-ful praise to yield,
 3 For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take the har - vest home;
 4 E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come to thy fi - nal har - vest home.



All is safe - ly gath - ered in, ere the win - ter storms be - gin.
 wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, un - to joy or sor - row grown.
 from each field shall in that day all of - fens - es purge a - way;
 Gath - er thou thy peo - ple in, free from sor - row, free from sin,



God, our Mak - er, doth pro - vide for our wants to be sup - plied.
 First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap - pear.
 give the an - gels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,
 there for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, in thy pres - ence to a - bide:



Come to God's own tem - ple, come; raise the song of har - vest home.
 Lord of har - vest, grant that we whole - some grain and pure may be.
 but the fruit - ful ears to store in God's gar - ner ev - er - more.
 come, with all thine an - gels, come; raise the glo - rious har - vest home!



Despite its familiar Thanksgiving associations, the real concern of this text is to recall the harvest imagery Jesus used to describe the fulfillment of God's sovereignty. The tune name commemorates the royal chapel where the composer was organist for forty-seven years.

A Grateful Heart

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(Psalm 111)

1 A grate - ful heart is what I bring, a song of
 2 Your name is known in all the lands. You feed the
 3 With sav - ing love you set us free, and still you

praise, my of - fer - ing. A - mong the saints I
 poor with gen - tle hands. Your word is true, your
 dwell in mys - ter - y with wis - dom none can

lift my voice: in you, O God, I will re - jice.
 works are just; in you, O God, the faith - ful trust.
 com - pre - hend. Your praise, O God, will nev - er end.

This paraphrase of Psalm 111 preserves the psalm's quality of providing a general list of God's praiseworthy characteristics rather than giving thanks for a particular act of deliverance. In the original text these attributes are organized as an acrostic on the Hebrew alphabet.

All People That on Earth Do Dwell 385

(Psalm 100)

1 All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, sing to the
 2 Know that the Lord is God in - deed; with - out our
 3 O en - ter then his gates with praise; ap - proach with
 4 For why? The Lord our God is good; his mer - cy

Lord with cheer - ful voice; him serve with mirth, his
 aid he did us make; we are his folk; he
 joy his courts un - to; praise, laud, and bless his
 is for - ev - er sure; his truth at all times

praise forth tell. Come ye be - fore him and re - jice.
 doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.
 name al - ways, for it is seem - ly so to do.
 firm - ly stood, and shall from age to age en - dure.

In a pairing that began in 1561, this paraphrase of Psalm 100 by a Scot is set to a tune that a French composer originally created for Psalm 134 in the Genevan Psalter of 1551. They have appeared together in nearly every comprehensive English-language hymnal since then.

Benefit Concert

Saturday, March 22 at 5:00 pm



Mission and Evangelism and Music Ministries present a benefit concert by local pianist Vivian Siao. Donations will benefit the Arlington Life Shelter and HOPE Tutoring.

Come enjoy an evening of wonderful piano music, and help raise funds for charities that the church supports!



Easter Breakfast

Sunday, April 20

The Fellowship Team invites you to the Easter Morning breakfast (April 20th) from 9:00 A.M. to 10:30 A.M. in the Fellowship Hall.

We will be serving home-cooked breakfast casseroles, fruit, etc. Everyone is invited.

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

The One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) Offering is received during the season of Lent at FPCA. This is one of four special offerings collected during our church year. Offering envelopes are provided outside the sanctuary or designate OGHS on the memo portion of your check. Posters are located around the church halls.

Presbyterians worldwide have participated in this offering for over 60 years and give about as much as all other denominations put together. OGHS is the single, largest way that Presbyterians come together every year to work for a better world.

The offering gifts are divided between three programs- Self Development of People, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, and the Presbyterian Hunger Program. For a list of how these gifts were used in previous years or for more information, see www.pcusa.org/oghs.

Prayer Ministries

Our Prayer Ministry has been steadily working behind the scenes on creating a strategy of how we can continue building prayer across our congregation. We are excited to announce that we have a mission statement: The Prayer Ministry follows God in transforming FPCA into a house of prayer!

As you may have seen, we have monthly prayer testimonies given in worship service. If you are interested in giving your prayer testimony, please reach out to Bob Watkins at bob@firstprestexas.org or Jim Shroyer jim@firstprestexas.org. More opportunities to get engaged in the Prayer Ministry to come in the following weeks.

Also, please join us as we pray for a safe and God-filled experience for our Youth as they journey to Austin next weekend for Youth Cue. Youth Cue's focus is to positively impact youth through the power of choral music, and our Youth will have an opportunity to join dozens of other attending churches to sing in front of the Westlake Hills Presbyterian Church. We all pray for safe travels, good health, and blessings upon our Youth during this special time!

GIVE a RIDE to those who NEED a RIDE to and from Church and/or Sunday School

The Deacons are compiling a list of drivers by zip code and phone number to provide to members (in the same or near zip code) who can no longer get to and from FPCA! The deacons will supply the member with the list from their geographical area. It will be up to the person who NEEDS a RIDE to contact the person who can GIVE a RIDE. Please call the church office or email Kathy McCoy at jkmccoy@sbcglobal.net with your information to GIVE a RIDE or NEED a RIDE.

Personally I need to be on both lists because you never know when the car won't start or has a flat. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy McCoy at jkmccoy@sbcglobal.net.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday 3/16	
Sunday School	9:45 am
Worship Service	11:00 am
Monday 3/17	
Tuesday 3/18	
Senior Flexibility Class	9:30 am
Tuesday Morning Bible Study	10:30 am
Wednesday 3/19	
Men's Bible Study	8:00 am
Quilting	10:30 am
Ring of Praise Handbells	6:00 pm
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm
CWF Bible Study	7:00 pm
Thursday 3/20	
Friday 3/21	
Senior Flexibility Class	9:30 am
Saturday 3/22	

Prayer Ministry

Prayers for those with health and other concerns:

The family of Bob Hanson, Lisa Scrabeck, the family of Carol Boone, Charles Arnold, Nancy Brown, Carol Browning, Billie Jo Campbell, Betty Farrell, Ken Floyd, Bobbie Fowler, Ivone Franzolin, Joe and Lila Glenn, Marie George, Jack and Dottie Liwai, Pat May and her son Tim Karnes, Mia Navarro and her family, Mathias Mbeng Ndip, Jo Ann Nichols, Tina Paulk, Judy Reck, 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, Wolfgang Van Wie

Prayers for our home-bound members:

Madge Casselman, Lucy Cleaver, Ann Scarr, Betty Snowden, Leonard & Mary Jane Tibbetts, 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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