



Welcome to First Pres! We are so glad you are here today. First Pres is an exciting faith community in which to live out your Christian discipleship. If you are a first time visitor to First Presbyterian Church, please take a moment to see one of the greeters on your way out for a special visitor gift. They will also be glad to answer any questions you might have.



We celebrate your participation in worship today. Please take a moment to register your attendance using the QR code here.

Interested in Joining First Pres? If you are considering church membership, please speak with a minister following worship. You may also call the church office at 817.335.1231 to speak with Chris Bartley (Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.).

Children of all ages are a welcome blessing in worship! Children are invited to worship with their families. Parents, ask an usher for a worship bag full of activities to keep children engaged. Members, having children in worship is a gift and sign that our congregation is growing. Please welcome children and offer parents a smile of encouragement.

Stephen Ministry cares for people in crisis or transition. For more information, contact the Rev. Ashley Drake Mertz in the church office, 817.335.1231 ext. 264.

Large print bulletins and personal sound systems are available from an usher.

Our in-person and online congregations share worship together. This service may be livestreamed or recorded. Your image (photos and video) may appear on our Facebook page, YouTube channel, and our website. Questions about this policy? Please email communications@fpcfw.org.

The flowers in the Chancel are given in memory of Patricia and Joe LeBlanc and Edith and Ottis Anderson from Carol and Gary Anderson.



Offerings can be given by using the envelopes in the worship spaces and placing your gift in the offering plate or using the QR code here to give online.



First Pres is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA). Learn more about our denomination by visiting www.pcusa.org.



Back by Popular Demand: Enneagram Workshops

You can't know God without knowing yourself, and you can't know yourself without knowing God," said John Calvin. The Enneagram is a time-tested tool for this lifelong journey of self-discovery and spiritual growth.

First Pres is offering two Enneagram seminars in July, and a third seminar in the fall that has been expanded into a four-week course. Attend all three or choose the sessions that best support your personal growth. Learn more about the courses and register at fpcfw.org/spiritualformation.

Staff & Worship Participants

Pastor/Head of Staff
Senior Associate Pastor
Associate Pastor
Associate Pastor for Youth
Parish Associate for Pastoral Care
Director of Music/Organist
Music Associates
Associate Organist & Choral Assistant
Director of Children's Ministry
Director of Young Adult Ministry
Senior Director of Engagement & Programs
Parish Visitor
Parish Visitor
Audio/Video Engineer
Liturgist

The Rev. Dr. Brian Coulter
The Rev. Dr. Michael Waschevski
The Rev. Dr. Robyn Michalove
The Rev. Dr. Josh Stewart
The Rev. Ashley Drake Mertz
Dr. Ahreum Han Congdon
Rebecca Sawyer, Laura Collins
Brent McCartney
Ann Nielsen
Eric Varnon
Chris Bartley
Matt McGraw
The Rev. Lynda Dinsdale
Tristan Medina
Sandra Davis

Ministers: The Entire Congregation
Partner Congregation in Fort Worth: Mount Moriah Missionary Baptist Church
Partner Congregations in Cuba: Buen Pastor, Resurrection, and Cidra Presbyterian Churches

4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Sunday, July 6, 2025 | 11 a.m.



summer
IN THE PSALMS

Gathering in God’s Name

Prelude Von guten Machten Dietrich Bonhoeffer
wunderbar geborgen

Cong Quartet from Mimir Music Festival:
Francis Yiu-Ting Chik and Hiu Sing Fan, violin,
Caleb Wong, viola, Yan Ho Cheng, cello

Use the prelude to make the transition from getting here to being here.
Open yourself to the Spirit of God moving in our midst.

Welcome, Greeting and Announcements Michael Waschevski

Please pass the Ritual of Friendship down your row and back
to the side aisle during worship in order to greet one another by name.

*Call to Worship Sandra Davis

Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord!
Let us shout aloud to the rock of our salvation!
We come with thanksgiving, with songs of praise;
**Let us worship the Lord together—with gratitude in our
hearts and joy in our songs!**

*Hymn We Praise You, O God 612

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God, we confess that though you call us into
community, we often choose isolation, pride, or division. You
invite us to forgive as we have been forgiven, yet we hold on to
old grievances and fail to extend grace. You clothe us in love,
but we clothe ourselves in self-interest.**

**Forgive us, O Lord. Renew us in Your Spirit. Teach us to sing
with thankfulness, to live in harmony, and to worship you not
only with our voices, but with our lives. Through Jesus Christ
our Lord we pray, Amen.**

We continue with a moment for silent prayers and personal confession.

*Kyrie Lord, Have Mercy 551

*Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news:
We are God’s people—the sheep of God’s hand.
In Christ, we are clothed in mercy,
and we are bound together in love.
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!
May the peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

*The Peace

Please share the peace with those around you by saying,
“The peace of Christ be with you,” and responding, “And also with you.”

*Gloria Patri Glory Be to the Father 581

Encountering God’s Word

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson (page 201, New Testament) Colossians 3.12-17

Children’s Moment Ann Nielsen

Jesus Loves Me! 188

**Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong. They are weak, but he is strong.**

**Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

TEXT: Stanza 1, Anna Bartlett Warner, 1859; stanza 2, David Rutherford McGuire, 1971.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 95 Hal Hopson

Anne Wright and Michael Daugherty, cantors



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Second Lesson (page 550, Old Testament) Psalm 95.1-7

Sermon “All In Together” Robyn Michalove

Responding to God’s Word

*Hymn Let’s Sing unto the Lord 669

Prayers of the People 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 of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory arr. Peter Wilhousky
Chancel Choir

*Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;
He is trampling out the vintage
where the grapes of wrath are stored;
He hath loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword;
His truth is marching on.*

*Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on!*

*I have seen Him in the watchfires of a hundred circling camps;
They have builded Him an altar in the evening dews and damps;
I can read His righteous sentence in the dim and flaring lamps,
His truth is marching on!*

*Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on!*

*In the beauty of the lilies, Christ was born across the sea,
with a glory in His bosom that transfigures you and me:
As He died to make us holy, let us live to make all free,
while God is marching on.*

*Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on!*

Congregation joins choir:
**Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on!**

*Doxology Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow 606

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

*Prayer of Dedication

Going in God’s Name

*Hymn This Is My Song 340

*Benediction

*Sung Amen 601

Postlude Nearer my God to Thee Sarah Flower Adams

* The congregation may stand. ** Words in bold are read in unison.