

THE NEED TO KNOW COLUMN

The **flowers** in the sanctuary today are given by Bob and Maurine Robinson to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. E.H. Hanby.



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
BEGINS TONIGHT WITH A
POTLUCK DINNER AT 5:30!**

We are grateful today to have a preview of the music the L.I.F.E. Youth will be presenting in their **Youth Choir Mission Trip**, which begins on Saturday.

Today's Schedule

- 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship
- 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages
- 5:30 p.m. - Vacation Bible School Potluck Dinner
- 6:30 p.m. - Vacation Bible School Activities for all ages

Monday - Thursday

- 5:45 p.m. - Optional Dinner before VBS - Cost \$4.00.
- 6:30 p.m. - Vacation Bible School Activities

Saturday

- 10:00 a.m. - Youth meet in parking lot to leave for Youth Music Trip

Next Sunday—June 26

- 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship
- 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages
- In worship next Sunday, Quinda Hatfield will be guest organist at both services, Brenda Greer will sing a solo at 8:45, and the Chancel Choir will sing at 11:00. Harry Meissner's sermon, *Keeping in Focus*, is based upon Galatians 6:7-16.

An audio copy of both today's sermon and recent sermons may be found on the church website fpcmesquite.org. From the home page menu, select the *worship* tab, then *sermon audio*, and then choose the sermon you wish.

THOSE WHO SERVE

Harry C. Meissner—Interim Pastor
Casey McCollough—Director of Music
B. J. Mauldin—Organist/Keyboard Musician
Renee Stormer—Administrative Assistant
Thomas G. Wilbanks—Pastor Emeritus



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1028 South Belt line
Mesquite, Texas 75149

972-285-5602 www.fpcmesquite.org

June 19, 2016 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:45 & 11:00 a.m.

WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!

We hope you find a welcome here worthy of the gracious God we serve. Conventions in this bulletin include: an asterisk () invites you to stand, as health allows, material printed in **bold** is for the congregation to sing or say, a plus sign (+) indicates 11:00 only, and material printed in italics may provide some helpful information. The Music Director will indicate the appropriate time to stand for the hymns. Let us worship God!*

VOLUNTARY

Holy Manna
L.I.F.E. Youth Handbells

Valerie Thompson

STRIKING THE HOUR OF WORSHIP

GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP Philippians 1:2; II Corinthians 5:19
Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

And also with you.

In Christ, God was reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us.

*HYMN 31

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and all our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light, and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORY BE TO THE FATHER *(Hymn 546)*

**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, Amen.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS #

Please find and sign the Registration of Attendance pad and pass it to others on the same pew, so that we may have a record of your attendance at this service. If you are visiting today, we hope you will provide contact information, especially your email address, so that we may share more about the program and activities of this congregation.

MINUTE FOR MISSION FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

MAN OF THE YEAR + John Futrell

PRAYER OF THE DAY #

OLD TESTAMENT READING # *(Pew Bible, p. 501 OT)* Psalm 23

NEW TESTAMENT READING # *(Pew Bible, p. 188 NT)* Galatians 2:15-21
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *The Lord Is My Shepherd* Jill Gallina
L.I.F.E. Youth Choir

A TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES Jan Sloan

At the 11:00 service, when this time is concluded, children pre-school through 2nd grade are invited to join the leader to go to children's church. The rest may return to sit with their families in the sanctuary.

*HYMN 379 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

SERMON *The Great Guiding Principle* Harry C. Meissner

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Elegy
L.I.F.E. Youth Handbells

Susan Nelson

*DOXOLOGY *(Hymn 544)*

**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.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

RECOGNITION OF NEW MEMBERS +

COMMISSIONING OF L.I.F.E. YOUTH FOR THEIR CHOIR TRIP +

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH, SILENT PRAYER, CONCLUDING COLLECT

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.

*HYMN 310 *Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

VOLUNTARY *Grand March* Julie Turner
L.I.F.E. Youth Handbells

OUR INVITATION

Every service of worship invites us to consider our relationship to Jesus Christ and to his church. If you are not vitally involved in some community of faith, perhaps this congregation is the place where you can worship, find fellowship, grow, and share in our mission and witness to the world. If you would like to discuss this important matter, please indicate your interest on the registration of attendance pad or speak to the minister following the service.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Elder - (8:45) Ron Smith, (11:00) Phil Johnson
** Deacon - (8:45) Karen Hunt, (11:00) Laney Freeman
Acolyte - (11:00) Isaac Williams