

## THE NEED TO KNOW COLUMN

### Today's Schedule

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship  
9:30 a.m. - Alleluia Singers (Children's S.S. Class begins at 9:55.)  
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages  
12:15 p.m. - Outreach Committee  
**5:00 p.m. - Eastern Dallas Cluster of Presbyterian Churches Thanksgiving Service  
at St. Mark Presbyterian Church, 9999 Ferguson Rd., Dallas 75228**

### Wednesday - Wednesday Night Live Schedule

4:45 p.m. - Alleluia Chimes  
4:45 p.m. - Youth Bells  
5:45 p.m. - Dinner in Wilbanks Hall  
6:15 p.m. - Youth Choir  
6:30 p.m. - Classes and Activities  
6:45 p.m. - Youth Bible Study and Fellowship  
7:15 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### Next Sunday—November 20

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship  
9:30 a.m. - Alleluia Singers (Children's S.S. Class begins at 9:55.)  
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages  
6:00 p.m. - Men's Council Thanksgiving Dinner



Our annual **Men's Thanksgiving Dinner** is near. November 20 is just next week. The dinner will be at 6:00 p.m., and the cost is \$7.00 per adult, \$3.00 for children under 12, with no family paying more than \$21.00. Tickets are available at a table in the back hall.

There is a called **congregational meeting** to be held today in the sanctuary at 10:50 a.m. The purpose of the meeting is to hear a report of the Church Officer Nominating Committee to elect elders, deacons, and a trustee for the coming term. Elder nominees are Carol Graham, John Kusewitt, Eric Schwartz, Ron Smith, Carol Stephenson, and Beverlee Witty. Deacon Nominees are Sherry Futrell, Michael Galloway, Brandon Hall, Suzanne Ivy, B.J. Mauldin, and Doris Villarreal. Youth elder nominee is Nathan Edling. Youth deacon nominee is Elizabeth Ratzer. Nominee for trustee is Pat Venner.

### 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

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November 13, 2016

33rd 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. Large print hymnals or music sheets are available from an usher.*

VOLUNTARY

*Prelude on a Folk Tune*  
"Lonesome Valley"

Guthrie

STRIKING THE HOUR OF WORSHIP

CHORAL INTROIT

*We Are Forgiven*  
Chancel Choir (8:45), Octet (11:00)

Hal Hopson

GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Philippians 1:2; Psalm 136:1

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**And also with you.**

O give thanks to the Lord for the Lord is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

\*HYMN 32

*I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips hesitate to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*SONG OF PRAISE (*Hymn 581*)

**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.*

PRAYER OF THE DAY #

SCRIPTURE READING ♦ (*Pew Bible, p. 82 NT*)

Luke 19:1-10

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

*Lamb of God, What Wondrous Love*  
Chancel Choir (8:45), The Octet (11:00)

Faure

A TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Elaine Whitlock

*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 708

*We Give Thee but Thine Own*

SERMON

*Five Practices of Fruitful Churches*  
5. Extravagant Generosity

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.**

\*HYMN 697

*Take My Life*

*As this hymn is sung, you are invited to come to the table in the front court, bringing your commitments for 2017 to leave them on the table.*

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

ANTHEM

*All Good Gifts*  
The Octet

Sleeth

\*DOXOLOGY (*Hymn 606*)

**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\*\*

PRAYERS 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.**

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE—HYMN 647

*Give Thanks*

Henry Smith

(8:45) Chancel Choir & Congregation; (11:00) Octet & Congregation

VOLUNTARY

*Jerusalem, My Happy Home*

Barre

## 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) Jan Fort, (11:00) Marshall Romine

\*\* Deacon - (8:45) Terri White, (11:00) Holly Smith

♦ Youth Reader - (8:45) Autumn Futrell, (11:00) Aiden Lewis

Acolyte - (11:00) Chloe Starnes

## SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Daniel and Kay Alvarez in gratitude for remission of cancer and in honor of our daughter Rebecca's birthday.