

## NEED TO KNOW COLUMN

For the second Sunday there is an insert in the bulletin to solicit **officer nominations** on behalf of the Church Officer Nominating Committee (CONC). This congregation has a good record of assisting CONC by suggesting these names. This is an important time in the life of the church to be selecting elders and deacons for strong governing bodies this next year.

### Sunday, October 1

- 8:45 a.m. - Holy Communion
- 9:30 a.m. - Youth Choir
- 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School Classes for all ages
- 11:00 a.m. - Holy Communion
- 12:15 p.m. - Youth Bells
- 4:30 p.m. - Annual Church Picnic at Town Center Park  
(356 Tripp Rd., Sunnyvale)
- 5:30 p.m. - Picnic Dinner
- 6:30 p.m. - Brief Vespers Service

### Tuesday

- 9:30 a.m. - Presbyterian Women, Morning Circle
- 7:00 p.m. - Presbyterian Women, Night Circle

### Wednesday—*Wednesday Night Live*

- 4:45 p.m. - Alleluia Chimes
- 5:45 p.m. - Dinner in Wilbanks Hall
- 6:30 p.m. - Classes and Activities
- 7:15 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal
- 7:30 p.m. - Deacons Meeting

### Saturday

- 7:00 a.m. - Addressing Mesquite

### Next Sunday, October 8

- 8:45 a.m. - Early Service
- 9:30 a.m. - Youth Choir
- 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School Classes for all ages
- 11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship
- 12:15 p.m. - Youth Bells
- 5:00 p.m. - L.I.F.E. Youth Meeting

The **Food Pantry** near the *north* entrance (the one that accesses the front of the sanctuary and church offices) is located in the very first cabinet in the Welcome Center. There are also pantries near the *south* door (near the choir room) and near the (*west*) entrance to the Wilbanks Hall building. We are grateful to those who regularly support the pantry, which helps enable the ministry of Mesquite Social Services.

An audio copy of both **today's sermon** and recent sermons may be found on the church website [fpcmesquite.org](http://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 Ministries  
B.J. Mauldin, Organist  
Renee Stormer, Administrative Assistant  
Thomas G. Wilbanks, Pastor Emeritus

## GUIDE TO WORSHIP

October 1, 2017

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:45 and 11:00 a.m.



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## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

*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, and material printed in italics may provide some helpful information. Large print hymnals or hymn sheets are available from an usher. Let us worship God!*

### STRIKING OF THE HOUR FOR WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY *Three Novelettes for Organ—No. I* Purvis

INTROIT *There Is a Redeemer* Melody Green  
Soloist (8:45), Chancel Choir (11:00)

CALL TO WORSHIP *Philippians 1:2, Psalm 118:24*  
Grace to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**And also with you.**

This is the day that the Lord has made;

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

\*HYMN 41 *O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!*

### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

### \*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

### \*SONG OF PRAISE (Hymn 614)

**Great are you, Lord: you are holy and just;**

**by your power we trust in your love.**

**Great are you, Lord: you are faithful and true;**

**by your mercy you prove you are love.**

**Great are you, Lord, and worthy of glory!**

**Great are you, Lord, and worthy of praise.**

**Great are you, Lord. We lift up our voice; we lift up our voice:  
great— are you, Lord! Great— are you, Lord!**

### 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 FOR ILLUMINATION #

OLD TESTAMENT READING # (p. 64, OT) Exodus 17:1-7

NEW TESTAMENT READING # (p. 197, NT) Philippians 2:1-13  
The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM (11:00) *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* G. Martin  
Chancel Choir

A TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES Chelsea Alvarado

\*HYMN 630 *Fairest Lord Jesus*

SERMON *No One Pays Any Attention to Me* 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 *Let Us Break Bread Together* arr. Costen  
Doris and Ursula Villarreal; Steve Leake, guitar  
*The congregation is invited to join in the refrain:*  
**When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,  
O Lord, have mercy on me.**

### \*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\*\*

### SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving 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 king-**

**dom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Words of Institution

Reception of the Sacrament

Prayer after Communion

\*HYMN 265 *Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun*

### \*CHARGE AND BLESSING

\*RESPONSE *Guide My Feet* African American spiritual  
Chancel Choir (11:00)

VOLUNTARY *Three Novelettes for Organ—No. III* Purvis

## 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 - Ann Smith (8:45), Dan Fricke (11:00)

\*\* Deacon - Suzanne Ivy (8:45), David Starnes (11:00)

Acolyte - MacKenzie Aynes (11:00)