#### \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE *Thy Word Is a Lamp Unto My Feet* Amy Grant *Refrain:* Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

When I feel afraid, and I think I've lost my way, still you're there right beside me. Nothing will I fear as long as you are near. Please be near me to the end. (*Refrain*)

\*VOLUNTARY

How Firm a Foundation arr. Sandra Eithun

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## **ASSISTING IN WORSHIP**

Elder # - Ann Smith
Deacon/Ushers - Robbie Lee,
Michael Lee, Nick Scholl, and Eric Schwartz

# **NEED TO KNOW COLUMN**

#### Sunday, June 6

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed all services 8:30 a.m., 9:45 a.m., and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service

## **Tuesday, June 8**

7:00 p.m. - Mission Committee will meet, in person, the sanctuary

#### Saturday, June 12

7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. - Rotary Rodeo Road Rally - Youth Mission Event *(meet in the north parking lot at 7:30 a.m.)* 

#### Sunday, June 13

8:30 a.m., 9:45 a.m., and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service

#### **Tuesday**, June 15

7:00 p.m. - Christian Education Committee Meeting via Zoom

#### Wednesday, June 16

7:00 p.m. - Joint Officer's meeting in the sanctuary

#### Sunday, June 20

8:30 a.m., 9:45 a.m., and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service

#### Sunday, June 27

7:30 a.m. - Men's Council Breakfast

8:30 a.m., 9:45 a.m., and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service

**On Sunday, July 4**, we will return to two worship services, 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. We are asking that you please make a reservation for worship, as we will continue to social distance for your safety. You may email Renee or call the church office.

Our dates for **VBS** have been set, August 4, 5 and 6. The Youth will participate in mission work in the mornings and classes for all ages will be held in the evenings. Please mark your calendars.

# THE CHALLENGE



The 100 Can Challenge continues as we go forward in 2021.

Let us carry on THE CHALLENGE to collect can goods and other non-perishable items. The donated items will be given to Sharing Life, as they feed those in need in our community. Our total for May was 183 cans.

# **Guidelines for Worship**

- 1) Three worship services (8:30, 9:45, and 11:00).
- Forty worshipers in the pews. People call or email to make reservations for their service. Members will have assigned seats. We will use chart to maintain social distance.
- 3) **Worshipers must wear masks at all times**. This is in accordance to the guidelines from the State of Texas and Dallas County. We do have masks available.
- 4) We will seek to use one usher team of four for a given Sunday.
- 5) One entry for worship. The door by the church office. One Church Safety Member opens the outer door for worshipers. One usher steps outside to check the temperature of the worshiper. Anyone with a temperature of 100.4 or higher will be asked to sit down. The usher will retake the temperature after a short break. If the temperature has not gone down the worshiper will not be able to attend. One usher keeps the inner door open for worshipers. No contact-just waves and verbal greetings.
- 6) Two members of a four person usher team would lay out bulletins in the prearranged seats. These ushers will also direct members to their assigned seats.
- 7) Hand sanitizer is available near the entrance and exit of the sanctuary.
- 8) The offering is called for as it has been during the virtual services. Following the service, those who wish to give may place their offering in the offering plate as they leave. A Deacon will be standing by to accept your offering.
- 9) Communion: On those Sundays we celebrate the sacrament, we will have prepackaged elements available on a table by the entry door. Worshippers will pick up their elements when they arrive. Rev. Doughton will preside at the Table in the Sanctuary. At the given time worshippers will then take the elements at their seats.
- 10) All cushions, Bibles, hymnals, attendance pads and note pads/pencils will be removed from the sanctuary. An Usher will take attendance.
- 11) Following each service worshipers will take their bulletins to the back and place them in a recycle bin.
- 12) There will be a team to wipe down the pews and sanitize after each service. After the pews are sanitized ushers will place the bulletins for the following service.
- 13) The congregation may sing the hymns, but they must leave on their mask.
- 14) During this time-no Sunday School and no nursery.
- 15) One usher will record who sits where in that service. That will be kept in a log.
- 16) The first service will be recorded on DVD for our shut-ins and on YouTube to be available on Sunday evening for viewing.
- 17) With all messages to the congregation we would make it clear if a member is at risk then he/she should consider staying at home.

# **Budget and Stewardship**

Our 2021 budget is \$347,673.00

Your contributions to the church are so important. Please don't forget your pledge.

#### MAY 2021

	BUDGET	ACTUAL
	Y-T-D	Y-T-D
Income	144,997.03	186,525.29
Expenses	144,997.03	134,097.89

As of June 1, 2021 our income exceeded our expenses by 51,427.40.

Also remember that your pledge to the church includes your time and talents as well as your treasures.

#### **THOSE WHO SERVE**

Rev. Dr. E. Jones Doughton, Pastor Ben Clifton, Director of Music Ministries Ryoji Shimpo, Organist Renee Stormer, Administrative Assistant Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Wilbanks, Pastor Emeritus

# GUIDE TO WORSHIP June 6, 2021

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself."

[The greatest commandments.]

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. Let us worship God!

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# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

#### STRIKING OF THE HOUR FOR WORSHIP

**VOLUNTARY** I Love to Tell the Story arr. H.S. Livingston, Jr

**INTROIT** *Open the Eyes of My Heart* Paul Baloche

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord. Open the eyes of my heart; I want to see you; I want to see you;

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord. Open the eyes of my heart; I want to see you; I want to see you;

to see you high and lifted up, shining in the light of your glory. Pour out your power and love as we sing "Holy, holy, holy," Holy, holy, holy, holy, holy, holy, holy, I want to see you.

# CALL TO WORSHIP

Philippians 1:2; Psalm 18:1-3

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

#### And also to you.

We love You, Lord, our strength. The Lord is our fortress, and our deliver, our God, our rock in Whom we take refuge, our shield, our stronghold, and the horn of our salvation. Let us call upon the Lord, Who is worthy to be praised.

\*HYMN 463 How Firm a Foundation

> How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in God's excellent Word! What more can be said than to you God hath said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed, for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid; I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When through the deep waters I call thee to go, the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow; for I will be near thee, thy troubles to bless, and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

"When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie, my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply; the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

"The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to its foes; that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."

#### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

#### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty, Gracious, and Loving God; in Jesus Christ, You called us to be a servant people, but we do not do what You command. We are often silent when we should speak, and useless when we could be useful. Have mercy on us, O God. Forgive us and free us from sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### \*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

#### \*RESPONSE (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. A-men. A-men.

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS #

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION #

O Lord, as Your word says, You are our light and our salvation, Whom shall we fear. As we hear Your Word read and proclaimed may we see Your light, may our souls delight in Your saving ways, and may we act without fear but with full confidence in Jesus Name. Amen.

## FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 22:34-38

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment.

#### SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Exodus 20:7-11

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

The word of the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God.

# \*HYMN 398

Sweet Hour of Prayer

Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer. That calls me from a world of care. And bids me at my Father's throne Make all my wants and wishes known. In seasons of distress and grief, My soul has often found relief, And oft escaped the tempter's snare, By thy return, sweet hour of prayer.

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer. Thy wings shall my petition bear To Him, whose truth and faithfulness Engage the waiting soul to bless. And since He bids me seek His face, Believe His Word and trust His grace, I'll cast on Him my every care, And wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.

#### **SERMON**

Rev. Doughton

# \*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.

Honor and Rest

#### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*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.

## SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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 kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Reception of the Sacrament Prayer after Communion

\*HYMN 462

I Love to Tell the Story

I love to tell the story of unseen things above, of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love. I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true; it satisfies my longings as nothing else could do.

> *Refrain:* I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story; 'tis pleasant to repeat what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet! I love to tell the story, for some have never heard the message of salvation from God's own holy Word. (Refrain)

I love to tell the story, for those who know it best seem hungering and thirsting to hear it, like the rest. And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song, 'twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long. (Refrain)