

NEED TO KNOW COLUMN

Sunday, June 20 - Father's Day

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 will also go to "Mask Optional" in July. 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. Sign-ups will begin in July!



Scan this QR Code to sign up for our next blood drive, Sunday, July 11, 2021. This drive will have 30 slots for donor, our goal is to have at least 20 or more successful donors.

The need for donors right now is important, and our drive will help the community. Let's be mission-minded and save lives through our donation of blood.

Guidelines for Worship

- 1) Three worship services (8:30, 9:45, and 11:00).
- 2) 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. Worshipers will pick up their elements when they arrive. Rev. Doughton will preside at the Table in the Sanctuary. At the given time worshipers 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.

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 June is currently **45 items.**

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 20, 2021



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 *Meditation on "McAfee"* arr. Robert J. Hughes

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, holy, holy,
I want to see you.

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 to you.

Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good, and His steadfast love endures forever.

*HYMN 630 *Fairest Lord Jesus*

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature,
O thou of God to earth come down,
thee will I cherish, thee will I honor,
thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,
robed in the blooming garb of spring.
Jesus is fairer; Jesus is purer,
who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,
and all the twinkling, starry host.
Jesus shines brighter; Jesus shines purer,
than all the angels heaven can boast.

Beautiful Savior, Ruler of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor,
praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine!

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty, Gracious, and Merciful God; we confess that we have often failed to be an obedient people. We have not done Your will, we have broken Your law, and we have rebelled against Your love. We have not loved our neighbors. We have refused to hear the cry of those in need. Forgive us, we pray, and free us for joyful obedience; 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

Gracious and All Knowing God give us ears to hear, minds to understand, feet to act as we hear Your word read and preached in Jesus Name. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON # *Matthew 22:34-36, 39-40*

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?"

". . . And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON # *Exodus 20:13 &16*

You shall not murder.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*HYMN 421 *Have Mercy, God, upon My Life*

Have mercy, God, upon my life, and make me clean within:
pour out your ever-faithful love and wash away my sin.

My guilt is heavy on my mind; I know what I have done:
against your justice I have sinned, against you, God, alone.

Now teach me wisdom in my soul; I long to see your face.

Let bones, once broken, sing with joy, and heal me by your grace.

Create in me a faithful heart, a spirit right and new.

Sustain me with your saving love and keep me close to you.

Then I will praise you with my heart, my mind, my soul, my voice.

You save the least and seek the lost; let all the world rejoice!

SERMON *Sticks and Stones* 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.

PRESENTATION BY MEN'S COUNCIL - MAN OF THE YEAR

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

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.**

*HYMN 824 *There Is a Place of Quiet Rest*

There is a place of quiet rest, near to the heart of God,
a place where sin cannot molest, near to the heart of God.

Refrain: O Jesus, blest Redeemer, sent from the heart of God,
hold us, who wait before thee, near to the heart of God.

There is a place of comfort sweet, near to the heart of God,
a place where we our Savior meet, near to the heart of God. (*Refrain*)

There is a place of full release, near to the heart of God,
a place where all is joy and peace, near to the heart of God. (*Refrain*)

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*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 *Crusader's Hymn* arr. Don Phillips

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Elder # - Charles Hammer

Deacon/Ushers - Gina Villafana

Madison Villafana, Brittany Anderson & Taylor Hammer