

NEED TO KNOW COLUMN

Sunday, October 31

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

Monday, November 1

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringers Rehearsal

Tuesday, November 2

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

Wednesday, November 3

6:30 p.m. - Chancel Choir rehearsal

Saturday, November 6

8:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. - FPC Christmas Marketplace

Sunday, November 7 - **Sacrament of the Lord's Supper** observed

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

Monday, November 8

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringers Rehearsal

Tuesday, November 9

7:00 p.m. - Worship Committee Meeting

Wednesday, November 10

6:30 p.m. - Chancel Choir rehearsal
7:00 p.m. - Joint Officers Meeting in sanctuary

Sunday, November 14 - **Stewardship Sunday**

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School
12:00 p.m. - Committee on Committees

Monday, November 15

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringers Rehearsal

Tuesday, November 16

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

Wednesday, November 17

6:30 p.m. - Chancel Choir rehearsal

Sunday, November 21 - **Thanksgiving Sunday**

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School
6:00 p.m. - Men's Council Thanksgiving Dinner

Thursday, November 25

Church Office is Closed in Observance of Thanksgiving

Friday, November 18

Church Office is Closed in Observance of Thanksgiving

Sunday, November 28

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

Make Your Reservation Today! Call Renee!

Men's Council - Thanksgiving Dinner
Sunday, November 21 at 6:00 p.m.
Let us give thanks together.

We have options and want to be inclusive no matter the choice.
Option 1 - Men's Council (homemade goodness)
Option 2 - Individual Prepackaged Meal from Boston Market

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF MESQUITE

CHRISTMAS MARKETPLACE

Christmas shopping has never been easier!



Saturday, November 6, 2021

8 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church of Mesquite, TX

North Parking Lot: 1028 S. Belt Line Road, Mesquite, Texas 75149

972-285-5602

Now accepting Vendor Applications!

The FPC Women's Retreat Committee is proud to present the FPC Christmas Marketplace. Holiday shopping could not be any easier featuring handmade items, jewelry, special gifts, pecans, tamales, and our ever-popular baked goods.

A vendor space is \$40; please register by November 1, 2021 as space is limited, contact Carol Graham at 214.498.2336 or visit FPC website. Call for availability after this date.

Proceeds from vendor fees will benefit
the FPC Women's Retreat.



Sharing Life Community Outreach is collect food items needed for a traditional Thanksgiving meal. If you would like to donate food, we are collecting non-perishable items. If you would like to make a monetary donation, please make your donation by Sunday, November 14. You may also drop off perishable items directly to them.



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 current total for October is **186** items. Thank you to all for your continued support.

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

OCTOBER 31, 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 *How Great Thou Art* arr. Fred Bock

*INTROIT *We Are Standing on Holy Ground* Geron Davis
Chancel Choir

We are standing on holy ground,
and I know that there are angels all around;
let us praise Jesus now;
we are standing in his presence on holy ground.

CALL TO WORSHIP *Philippians 1:2*

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

And also to you.

Our help is in the name of the Lord, Who made the heavens and the earth. Let us worship God.

*HYMN 624 *I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art*

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, Eternal Father, we acknowledge and confess to You that we were born in unrighteousness. Our life is full of sin and transgression; we have not gladly believed Your Word nor followed You holy commandments. For Your goodness' sake, be gracious unto us, we pray, and forgive us all our sin, which is very great.

Let each of us come before the face of the Lord, confessing our own faults.

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

MOMENT FOR MISSION Mission Support

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Almighty and very gracious God, since all our salvation depends upon Your Hold Word; therefore grant that our hearts may be set free from worldly things, so that we may with all diligence and faith hear Your Word, rightly understand Your gracious will, and in all sincerity live according to the same, to Your praise and glory; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON # *Matthew 16:13-18*

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON # *Ephesians 2:8-9*

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God— not the result of works, so that no one may boast.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*HYMN 210 *Our God, Our Help in Ages Past*

SERMON *The Church at the Crossroads* Rev. Doughton

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed

All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,

Women: and in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord,

Men: who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,

Women: born of the virgin Mary,

Men: suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried.

Women: He descended into hell.

Men: The third day he rose again from the dead.

Women: He ascended into heaven

Men: and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty.

Women: From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

Men: I believe in the Holy Ghost,

Women: the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,

Men: the forgiveness of sins,

Women: the resurrection of the body,

Men: and the life everlasting.

All: Amen.

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.

ALL SAINTS RECOGNITION

Jason Smith - Son of Rick and Gwenda Aber
Clayton "Andy" Anderson - Member of Geneva Fellowship
Ashley Aber - Niece of Rick and Gwenda Aber
Daniel Fricke - Husband of Linda Fricke
John Hatfield - Husband of Quinda Hatfield
Carolyn Hill - Wife of Mike Hill
Adam Fort - Son of Doug & Jan Fort
Stephen Kim - Husband of Patricia Kim

PRAYER FOR ALL THE SAINTS

*HYMN 326 *For All the Saints*

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 275 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE *Give Praise to the Lord (vs 1)* C. Hubert H. Parry
Chancel Choir

Give praise to the Lord, and sing a new song;
amid all the saints God's praises prolong;
a song to your Maker and Ruler now raise,
all children of Zion: rejoice and give praise.

*VOLUNTARY *Seek Ye First* arr. John Purifoy

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Elder # - Sheryl Miller (8:45); Diane Beal (11:00)

Deacon/Ushers - Eric Schwartz,
David Howard, and Aaron Sheppard-Mahaffey

Please Note: This Reformation and All Saints service has prayers developed for the 21st Century from the Reformation Churches of the 16th Century.