

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary were given to the glory of God by John and Jan Sloan in honor of our fine minister and staff, as well as our wonderful congregation at FPC Mesquite. Happy New Year.

NEED TO KNOW COLUMN

Sunday, Jan 9 - Communion

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
9:30 a.m. - Alleluia Chimes rehearsal
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School
4:00 p.m. - Take down Christmas Decor

Tuesday, Jan 11

7:00 p.m. - Worship Committee Meeting via Zoom

Wednesday, Jan 12

5:30 p.m. - Wednesday Night Live Dinner
6:30 p.m. - New Years Service for Healing and Wholeness
7:30 p.m. - Session Meeting

Saturday, Jan 15

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. - Officer Training

Sunday, Jan 16 - Chimes will play for both services

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

Tuesday, Jan 18

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

Wednesday, Jan 19

6:30 a.m. - Chancel Choir rehearsal

Sunday, Jan 23

7:30 a.m. - Men's Council Breakfast and Prayer
8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

Monday, Jan 24

6:30 p.m. - Jubilate Ringers rehearsal

Wednesday, Jan 26

6:30 a.m. - Chancel Choir rehearsal

Sunday, Jan 30

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School
4:00 p.m. - Faith Builders
5:00 p.m. - Annual Congregational Dinner
6:00 p.m. - Called Congregational Meeting

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

PW - VALENTINE'S DAY CARDS

The Presbyterian Women are again spearheading a Valentine Project for our friends at a local assisted living/nursing care facility. There is a basket at the Welcome Center to collect store-bought or homemade Valentines for the residents. Please write a note inside and let these sweet people know they are not forgotten. Simple phrases of scripture or friendship mean so much to those that might not receive any other messages of hope on these special days. Last year we delivered over 200 and they were overjoyed! We are asking that all completed cards be turned in to the Welcome Center Basket by Sunday, February 13th. Thank you for participating!



On Sunday, February 13, the L.I.F.E. Youth will be accepting donations of non-perishable food items or monetary donations. All Contributions will be given to Sharing Life.

Won't you, help us Tackle Hunger and score a goal in our area for those in need in 2022.

The Women's Retreat Committee is selling pecans.

A table is set up in the narthex and a committee member will be there to assist you. Please make your purchase after the worship service concludes.

1 lb. bag of halves \$12

1 lb. bag of pieces \$12



THE CHALLENGE

The 100 Can Challenge continues as we go forward in 2022. 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 January is **76 items**. Thank you to all for your continued support.

GUIDE TO WORSHIP

January 9, 2022

8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

I am the vine; you are the branches.
If you remain in me and I in you,
you will bear much fruit;
apart from me you can do nothing.



John 15:5

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*

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

STRIKING OF THE HOUR FOR WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY *Morning Has Broken* arr. Eric Thomas

INTROIT *We Fall Down* Chris Tomlin
(11:00) Chancel Choir

We fall down; we lay our crowns at the feet of Jesus:
the greatness of mercy and love, at the feet of Jesus.
And we cry holy, holy, holy. And we cry holy, holy, holy.
And we cry holy, holy, holy is the Lamb.

CALL TO WORSHIP *Philippians 1:2; Psalm 66:1-3*
Grace to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

And also to you.

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; sing the glory of His name; give to God glorious praise. Say to God, "How Awesome are Your deeds! All the earth worships You; they sing praises to Your name."

*HYMN 305 *Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!*

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal, Merciful, and Holy God; in Whom we live and move and have our being, Your face is hidden from us by our sins, and we forget Your mercy in the blindness of our hearts. Cleanse us from all our offenses and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires. With lowliness and meekness may we draw near to You, confessing our faults, confiding in Your grace, and finding in You our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ our Savior. 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

ANTHEM *Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether* Percy Dearmer
Brenda Greer, Soloist

Draw us in the Spirit's tether, for when humbly in your name
two or three are met together, you are in the midst of them.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Here we touch your garment's hem.

As disciples used to gather in the name of Christ to sup,
then with thanks to God the giver break the bread and bless the cup,
Alleluia! Alleluia! so now bind our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of you,
that by caring, helping, giving, we may be disciples true.

Alleluia! Alleluia! We will serve with faith anew.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All knowing God-as Your Word is read and preached may it
shine Your light on our lives, may it sharpen our wills to respond,
and may it guide our direction to follow we pray in Jesus Name.
Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON # *John 1:35-42*

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, He said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where He was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON # *John 15:1-11*

"I am the True Vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He removes every branch in Me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit He prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the Word that I have spoken to you. Abide in Me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in Me. I am the Vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in Me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from Me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in Me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in Me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become My disciples. As the Father has loved Me, so I have loved you; abide in My love. If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love. I have said these things to you so that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON Rev. Doughton
Children are asked to remain seated at this time.

*HYMN 330 *Our Help Is in the Name of God*

SERMON *I Am the True Vine* 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.

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 321 *The Church's One Foundation*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE *Go, Tell It on the Mountain* John W Work II
(11:00) Chancel Choir (vs. 1)

Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;
go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!

While shepherds keep their watching o'er silent flocks by night,
behold, through-out the heavens there shone a holy light.

Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;
go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!

*VOLUNTARY *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* arr. Michael Wilson

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Elder # - Ron Smith (8:45); Mary McBain (11:00)

Deacon/Ushers - Debra Ford, Nick Scholl,
Eric Schwartz, and Bennett Doughton