

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Kay Alvarez as she thanks God for His grace in her life.

NEED TO KNOW COLUMN

Sunday, November 13 - Remembrance Sunday

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
9:30 a.m. - Youth Handbell Rehearsal
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

Tuesday, November 15

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

Wednesday, November 16 - Final Night for Fall

5:45 p.m. - Wednesday Night Live Dinner Creamy Chicken Pasta w Bacon
6:30 p.m. - Art Anywhere by Pete Allen
6:30 p.m. - Adult Class led by Rev. Doughton (Holy Land Tour Finalized)
7:15 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, November 20 - Thanksgiving Sunday

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
9:30 a.m. - Youth Handbell Rehearsal
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School
6:00 p.m. - Men's Council Thanksgiving Dinner

Wednesday, November 23 through Friday, November 25

Church office is closed for Thanksgiving Holiday



Wednesday Night Live will run through Nov. 16.

Chef Rod Graham will prepare a light meal. The price is \$5 each.

Pete Allen will offer a different type class, "Art Anywhere." Pete will cover drawing, sketching, and using colored pencils.

Rev. Doughton will lead a series on his trip to the Holy Land.

Childcare will be provided upon request. Please call ahead and let us know you would like to utilize childcare; we will schedule staff.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF MESQUITE
MEN'S COUNCIL PRESENTS OUR

97TH ANNUAL

THANKSGIVING DINNER



NOVEMBER 20TH AT 6 PM

Purchase your ticket today! Sold in the Welcome Center.
\$6. each, no family paying more than \$20.

GUIDE TO WORSHIP

November 13, 2022

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



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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THOSE WHO SERVE

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Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Wilbanks, Pastor Emeritus

Join Us in Our Mission

Remember ★ Honor ★ Teach



November 28th is the Last Day to sponsor a wreath.
Scan the QR Code to access our webpage.

★ **DECEMBER 17, 2022** ★

National Wreaths Across America Day

Help the FPC Mesquite L.I.F.E. Youth Group honor local heroes! Sponsor a wreath today to be placed on a veteran's grave this December at the Dallas Fort Worth National Cemetery.

Just scan the QR code to your right with your smart phone camera to make a donation online.



Budget and Stewardship

Our 2022 budget is \$360,155

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

OCTOBER 2022

	BUDGET Y-T-D	ACTUAL Y-T-D
Income	300,128.84	270,866.65
Expenses	300,128.84	291,511.89

As of October 31, 2022, our expenses exceed our income by \$20,645.24 Also remember that your pledge to the church includes your time and talents, as well as, your treasures. Pledge for 2023 now!

THE CHALLENGE



The 100 Can Challenge continues . . . 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 November is currently **181 items**.

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

STRIKING OF THE HOUR FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

INTROIT 403 *Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty* Joachim Neander

Open now thy gates of beauty, Zion, let me enter there,
where my soul in joyful duty waits for God Who answers prayer;
O how blessed is this place, filled with solace, light, and grace.

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 331 *God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand*

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal, Almighty, and Merciful God; our Judge and Redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from You, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and turned from our neighbors. We have refused to bear the troubles of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by those in need. O God, in Your great mercy forgive our sin and free us from selfishness, that we may choose Your will and obey Your commandments; 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 *Agnus Dei* arr. Joel Raney
Chancel Choir

Alleluia. Alleluia. For the Lord God Almighty reigns.
Alleluia. Alleluia. Holy, holy are You, Lord God Almighty.
Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb.
You are holy, holy are You, Lord God Almighty.
Worthy is the Lamb, O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the worlds Thy hands have made.
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder;
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee: how great Thou art,
how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee.
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!
Holy, holy are You, Lord God, Almighty.
How great Thou art, how great Thou art. Holy, holy are You,
Lord God Almighty. Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb.
How great Thou art! Amen.

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 ♦ *Proverbs 3:5-6*

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON ♦ *I Kings 3:5-9*

At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night, and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you, and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant, therefore, an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil, for who can govern this great people of yours?"

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

The children and youth are asked to come forward at this time.

*HYMN 329 *God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength*

SERMON *An Understanding Heart* Rev. Doughton

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Tune is "Thaxted"
And there's another country, I've heard of long ago! Most dear to them that love her; Most great to them that know; We may not count her armies; We may not see her King; her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering; And soul by soul and silently; her shining bounds increase; And her ways are ways of gentleness; And all her paths are peace. Amen.

PASTORIAL PRAYER

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.

ANTHEM *Salute to the Armed Forces* arr. Don Wyrzten
*If you served in any branch of the armed services,
you are invited to **stand** as the theme of your branch is sung.*

PRAYER FOR VETERANS

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 *Almighty Father Strong to Save*

Almighty Father, strong to save,
whose arm hath bound the restless wave,
who biddst the mighty ocean deep its own appointed limits keep:
O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea
O Christ, the Lord of hill and plain o'er which our traffic runs amain
by mountain pass or valley low; wherever, Lord, thy people go,
protect them by thy guarding hand from every peril on the land.
O Spirit, whom the Father sent to spread abroad the firmament;
O Wind of heaven, by thy might save all who dare the eagle's flight,
and keep them by thy watchful care from every peril in the air.
O Trinity of love and power, our people shield in danger's hour;
from rock and tempest, fire and foe, protect them wheresoe'er they go;
thus ever more shall rise to thee
glad praise from space, air, land, and sea.

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE 709 *God, We Honor You* C. Hubert H. Parry
God, we honor You. God, we trust in You.
God, we worship and adore You.
Take what we bring, offered to You.
Teach us to show your abundant blessings.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Amen.

*POSTLUDE

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Elder # - Suzanne Ivy *(8:45)*; Meg GarverHamilton *(11:00)*
Deacon/Ushers - Nick Scholl, Richard Mauldin,
and John Futrell *(8:45)*;
Nick Scholl and Richard Mauldin *(11:00)*
Youth Readers ♦ - MacKenzie Aynes *(8:45)*;
Mary Claire Doughton *(11:00)*