

## NEED TO KNOW COLUMN

### Sunday, November 3

*The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed at both worship services*

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

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

9:50 a.m. - 10:35 a.m. - Church Officer Training #1

### Monday, November 4

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringer Rehearsal

### Tuesday, November 5

9:15 a.m. - Presbyterian Women Morning Circle

7:00 p.m. - Presbyterian Women Night Circle

### Wednesday, November 6

5:45 p.m. - Wednesday Night Live Dinner (Taco Bar, with Mexican Brownies)

5:45 p.m. - Committee on Committees Meeting #3

6:30 p.m. - Youth & Children pack college care packages

6:30 p.m. - Beverlee Witty will lead a Bible Study

6:30 p.m. - Pete's Watercolor Class - Christmas Cards (*Please sign-up*)

6:30 p.m. - Church Officer Training #1

7:15 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

7:30 p.m. - Board of Deacons

### Saturday, November 9

9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. - FPC Christmas Marketplace

### Sunday, November 10

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

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

9:50 a.m. - 10:35 a.m. - Church Officer Training #2

### Monday, November 11

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringer Rehearsal



## FPC Christmas Marketplace.

GET READY TO "SHOP TILL YOU DROP"

Saturday, November 9, 2024,

from 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

North Parking lot, First Presbyterian Church of Mesquite at 1028 St. Beltline Road. Holiday shopping could not be any easier featuring handmade items, jewelry, special gifts, tamales, and pecans. Admission and parking are FREE! Contact Carol Graham 214-498-2336 or [cbernalgraham@gmail.com](mailto:cbernalgraham@gmail.com) for vendor info.



Join us for a Mid-Week Fellowship

Dinner at 5:45 p.m. and Classes at 6:30 p.m.

### November 6, 13, & 20

- ♦ Watercolor Class (Christmas Cards) led by Pete Allen  
*Please RSVP by signing up in the Welcome Center (for supplies)*

### November 6

- ♦ Youth Night
- ♦ Bible Study led by Beverlee Witty (2 week study)

### November 6, 13, and 20

- ♦ Officer Training led by Rev. Doughton  
*These classes will also be offered Sunday, November 3, 10, & 17*

If you or your Sunday School class would like to donate to Sharing Life for the Thanksgiving Baskets, we need your donation by **Sunday, November 10**. There is no set dollar amount, please give as God leads you.



Please help us Remember, Honor, and Teach on Saturday, December 14, by sponsoring a wreath today. Each Wreath is \$17 and \$5 will be returned to our L.I.F.E. Youth to be used for their next Mission Trip.

Thank you,  
TX0524P FPC Mesquite L.I.F.E. Youth Group  
**Deadline is: December 2, 2024**



## GUIDE TO WORSHIP

November 3, 2024

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

### About the Cover Picture

These "cover flowers" draw their strength, their ability to bloom from abiding in the branches. While they will last from some time in water, once cut off from their source of strength, the flowers will die. Today we will revisit what it means to abide in Christ.



*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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# WANTED

### Help Wanted

- ⇒ A teacher for the Little Lambs Sunday School Class, PreK-5th grade
- ⇒ Guide/Leader for Faith Builders - This person would work closely with Sheila Hammer and Erin Edling taking the elementary age children to events.

If God is calling you to serve in either position, please call the church office or speak with our Christian Education Chair, Carol Graham.



The youth will be packing COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES on Wednesday, November 6, 2024, during WNL. If you would like to contribute items for the packages, please drop them off in the church office by Sunday, November 3, 2024

We have 7 Male College Students. Thank you to all who kindly contribute and encourage.



# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

## STRIKING OF THE HOUR FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Sonata #1, Op. 2, no. 1, II. Adagio* L. van Beethoven

INTROIT 673 (vs.1) *Jesus, Light of Joy* John Goss  
Jesus, light of joy, surround us; let Your splendid glory shine:  
source of every earthly blessing, heaven's everlasting sign.  
Alleluia, alleluia, we adore You, light divine.

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 Your holy commandments. For Your goodness' sake, be gracious unto us, we pray, and forgive us all our sin, which is very great. We come before You 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 #

ANTHEM (11:00) *Holy, Holy, Holy* Mark Hayes  
Chancel Choir

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!  
Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,  
who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.  
Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,  
though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,  
only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,  
perfect in power, in love and purity.  
Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth, and sky and sea;  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity! Blessed Trinity!  
Blessed Trinity!

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION #

Almighty and All-Knowing God, open our hearts and minds by the power of Your Holy Spirit, that, as Your Word is read and proclaimed, we may hear with joy what You say to us today. Amen.

## FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON # *Ephesians 3:14-19*

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of His glory, He may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through His Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

## SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON # *John 15:1-5*

"I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinegrower. 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.

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 687 *Our God, Our Help in Ages Past*

SERMON *Stay Connected* Rev. Doughton

## ALL SAINTS RECOGNITION

Mary Gibbons	Elaine Hoffman	Jay Dinwiddie
Dee Dinwiddie	Anne Buswell	Hope Sheppard
John Sloan	Johnny Thompson	Randy Harris

## PRAYER FOR ALL THE SAINTS

\*HYMN 326 *For All the Saints*

## INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

## PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven* arr. Matt Hyzer  
Ryoji Shimpo, pianist

### \*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.**

## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION †

## 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 275 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

## \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE 547 *Go, My Children, with My Blessing* Welsh Melody

Go, My children, with My blessing, never alone.

Walking, sleeping, I am with you, you are My own.

In My love's baptismal river I have made you Mine forever.

Go, My children, with My blessing, you are My own.

\*POSTLUDE *God, That Madest Earth and Heaven* arr. Jason W. Krug  
*Following the Response we will have our Postlude. Please be seated*

## ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

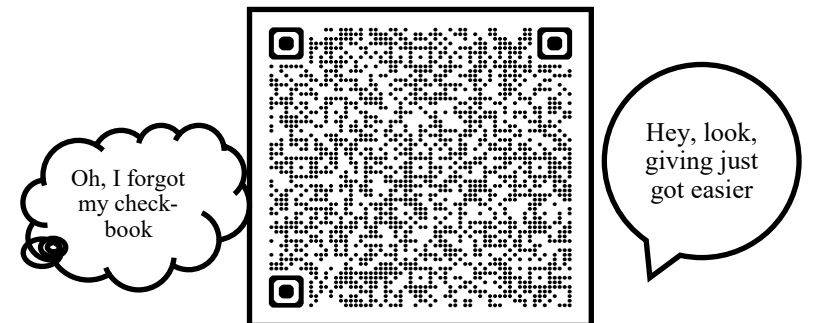
Elder # - Sheila Hammer (8:45); Sheryl Miller (11:00)

Deacon/Ushers † - Nick Scholl, Sharon Condarco, and Larry Thomas (8:45)  
Nick Scholl, Sharon Condarco, Kenzie Aynes, Mary Lee Doughton (11:00)

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

### ONLINE GIVING OPTION

Have you ever thought of giving online? If you would like to give online you may scan the QR Code below. This will take you to the giving button on our website.



### 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