

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary were given to the glory of God, by Ann Smith in celebration of her daughter, Megan's birthday.

NEED TO KNOW COLUMN

Sunday, November 23

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages
6:00 p.m. - Men's Council *100th* Annual Thanksgiving Dinner

Monday, November 24

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringers rehearsal

Wednesday, November 26 - Friday, November 28

Church Office will be Closed for Thanksgiving

Sunday, November 30 - 1st Sunday of Advent *Hope*

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service - Jubilate Ringers
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages
4:00 p.m. - Decorate the Church for Advent and Christmas

Monday, December 1

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringers rehearsal

Tuesday, December 2

10:00 a.m. - Presbyterian Women's Morning Circle Christmas Luncheon

Wednesday, December 3

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday, December 5

6:00 p.m. - Faith Builders and Youth - Bethlehem Revisited

Sunday, December 7 - 2nd Sunday of Advent *Peace*

8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. - Carter BloodCare Mobile Unit (north parking lot)
8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages
5:00 p.m. - Children's Christmas Pageant
6:00 p.m. - Soup with Santa

Monday, December 8

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringers rehearsal

Tuesday, December 9

7:00 p.m. - Presbyterian Women's Christmas Party at Susan Farmer's home

Wednesday, December 10

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, December 13

T/B/D - Faith Builders and Youth Christmas Party (Silly Sock Exchange)

Sunday, December 14 - 3rd Sunday of Advent *Love*

The Chancel Choir presents the Christmas Cantata
8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

Monday, December 15

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringers rehearsal

Tuesday, December 16

7:15 p.m. - Joint Officer Meeting in the side room of Wilbanks Hall

Wednesday, December 17

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, December 20

T/B/D - Youth Progressive Dinner

Sunday, December 21 - 4th Sunday of Advent *Joy*

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

Wednesday, December 24

6:00 p.m. - Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Thursday, December 25

Christmas Day - Office is Closed

THE MEN'S COUNCIL OF
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF MESQUITE
PRESENTS ITS
**100TH ANNUAL
THANKSGIVING
DINNER**
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD AT 6 PM
WILBANKS HALL
\$6 PER PERSON, NO FAMILY PAYS
MORE THAN \$24



Buy your tickets today!


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Please help us Remember, Honor, and Teach on Saturday, December 13, 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: November 28, 2025

Help a neighbor by donating blood.
Local donors save local lives: Carter BloodCare donors made the difference for many Texas patients.
Our next Blood Drive is Sunday, December 7, from 8:30am to 12:30pm.
Please roll-up your sleeve and give the gift of life.
26 openings available.
Schedule Your Appointment Now!



ONLINE GIVING OPTION
Have you ever thought of giving online? If you would like to give online you may scan the QR Code, this will take you to the giving button on our website.



THOSE WHO SERVE
Rev. Dr. E. Jones Doughton, Pastor
Ryoji Shimpo, Director of Music Ministries/Organist & Pianist
Renee Stormer, Administrative Assistant
Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Wilbanks, Pastor Emeritus

GUIDE TO WORSHIP

November 23, 2025

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

LET US GIVE THANKS



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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

STRIKING OF THE HOUR FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE *A Medley of Thanks* arr. Kevin Kiel

INTROIT 621 *I Will Call upon the Lord* Michael O'Shields

I will call upon the Lord Who is worthy to be praised.

So shall I be saved from my enemies.

I will call upon the Lord.

The Lord liveth, and blessed be the Rock,
and let the God of my salvation be exalted.

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CALL TO WORSHIP *Philippians 1:2*

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

And also to you.

All praise to You, God our Father Who loves us with an everlasting love, All praise to You, Jesus Christ-Who gives us grace without end, All praise to You, Holy Spirit Who brings us together as a fellowship family of faith; All Praise to You Holy Trinity, three in one. Amen.

*HYMN 336 *We Gather Together*

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy, Mighty, and Merciful God, we confess that we have failed to love You with all our heart, soul, and mind. We have ignored Your commandments and we have strayed from Your ways. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We fail to reach out to those in need. We confess that we are slow to follow Your leading. We prefer to do things our own way, and ignore Your presence in our lives. Have mercy on us, forgive our sin and raise us to new life that we may serve You and honor Your holy name. 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)* *A Song of Thanksgiving* Sue Farrar
Chancel Choir

A song of thanksgiving, a song full of praise

A song of thanksgiving, Our voices we raise

To God the Father and Jesus the King;

A song of thanksgiving, Our praises we sing.

A song of thanksgiving, a song full of praise,

A song of thanksgiving, Our voices we raise.

All angels sing their joyous strain,

In songs of thanksgiving they join our refrain.

(continued)

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given.
The Son, and Him who reigns with them in highest in heaven.

The one eternal God, Whom earth and heav'n adore;

For thus it was, is now, And shall be evermore!

A song of thanksgiving, a song full of praise,

A song of thanksgiving, Our voices we raise.

All ye who love the Lord, rejoice!

With songs of thanksgiving,

Lift up your voice!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION #

O Lord, as Your word says, You are our light and our salvation-Whom shall we fear. As we hear Your Word read and proclaimed may we see Your light, may our souls delight in Your saving ways, and may we act without fear but with full confidence in Jesus Name. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON # *Revelation 4:11; 5:12*

"Worthy art Thou, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for Thou didst create all things, and by Thy will they existed and were created." . . . "Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON # *Psalms 100*

A Psalm for the thank offering: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the lands! Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into His presence with singing! Know that the LORD is God! It is He that made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture. Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise! Give thanks to Him, bless His name! For the LORD is good; His steadfast love endures for ever, and His faithfulness to all generations.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES *(11:00)*

The Children and Youth are asked to come forward at this time.

*HYMN 643 *Now Thank We All Our God*

SERMON *The Reigning Lord* 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.

PASTORAL 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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Give Thanks, People of God* arr. Kevin Kiel
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 †

*HYMN 367 *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE 546 *(v.1)* *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing*

Lord, dismiss us with Your blessing;

fill our hearts with joy and peace;

let us each, Your love possessing,

triumph in redeeming grace.

O refresh us, O refresh us,

traveling through this wilderness.

POSTLUDE *Let All Things Now Living* arr. Lloyd Larson
with Now Thank We All Our God

Please be seated for the Postlude.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Elder # - Matt Armstrong *(8:45)*; Jan Sloan *(11:00)*

Deacon/Ushers † - Rodney VanSickle, John Brown,

and Evelyn Parker *(8:45)*;

Rodney VanSickle, David Hammons,

Harriet Jones, and Paul Luce *(11:00)*

