

NEED TO KNOW COLUMN

Saturday, June 6 - Friday, June 12

Youth Mission Trip to Louisville, Kentucky

Sunday, June 7 - Pulpit Supply - Rev. James Witherow

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

Tuesday, June 9

7:00 p.m. - Presbyterian Women will meet for dinner at Joe's Pizza & Italian Grill 308 S Galloway Ave, Mesquite TX

Wednesday, June 10

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, June 13

2:00 to 4:00 p.m. - Surprise Birthday party - Wilbanks Hall

Sunday, June 14

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

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

Tuesday, June 16

7:15 p.m. - Joint Officer's Stated Meeting in Genesis Classroom

Saturday, June 20

1:00 p.m. - Decorate for VBS Wilbanks Hall

Sunday, June 21 - Father's Day

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

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

Saturday, June 27

1:00 p.m. - Decorate for VBS Wilbanks Hall

Sunday, June 28

7:30 a.m. - Men's Council Breakfast

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

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

5:30 p.m. - VBS Kickoff Pot Luck Dinner

6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. VBS Classes

Monday, June 29 through Thursday, July 2

5:45 p.m. - VBS Dinner (Optional)

6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. - VBS Classes

Friday, July 3

The Church Office will be closed in observance of the July 4th holiday

Sunday, July 5

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

ABOUT OUR GUEST PREACHER

The Rev. Jim Witherow is retired from Faith Presbyterian Church in Aledo, where he served for over 17 years beginning as the Organizing Pastor for that congregation. Before Faith PC, Jim served as an Associate Pastor for Church Development at First Presbyterian-Fort Worth where he worked on several church initiatives in the Fort Worth area in addition to planting the new church in Aledo. Jim now does pulpit supply/guest preaching, serves as the Treasurer of the Fellowship Community, as well as being the Moderator of the Stewardship and Generosity Committee of Grace Presbytery. He also serves as Chairman of Housing Opportunities of Fort Worth. Prior to entering ordained ministry, Jim worked in the financial services/mortgage banking industry and was CEO of one of the 10 largest home lenders in the US. Jim received his BS degree in Finance at the McIntyre School of Commerce at the University of Virginia and his Master of Divinity at Brite Divinity School affiliated with TCU. Jim has been a life-long Presbyterian. He and his wife Wanda have two grown daughters and 4 grandchildren. Jim and Wanda live in Fort Worth and have a ranch between Granbury and Lipan.



Children 3 years thru 5th grade

Sunday, June 28

5:30 p.m. - Potluck Supper

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. VBS Classes

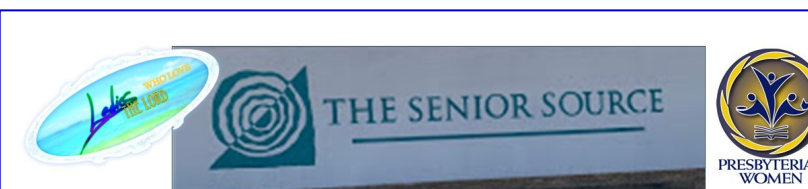
Monday, June 29 thru Thursday, July 2

5:45 VBS Dinner \$5.00 per person (Optional)

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. VBS Classes

Sign-up is happening now!

In Snowball Mountain Challenge, your children will learn that God is the source of their strength!



The Long-Term Care (LTC) Ombudsman Program acts as an independent advocate for residents in nursing homes, assisted living, and board and care facilities. Mandated by the Older Americans Act, these professionals and volunteers investigate complaints, protect residents' rights, and improve quality of care. Services are free, confidential, and available nationwide.

The Ladies Who Love the Lord is partnering with the Presbyterian Women to collect toiletries for disbursement through the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program that serves Dallas County Nursing Homes and Assisted Living Facilities. Here are some examples of their needs:

- Non-Skid Slipper Socks
- Ankle Sock or Tube Socks
- Lotion (rich in Aloe or Shea Butter)
- Hair Products
- Shaving Cream
- Oral hygiene (Soft-bristle Toothbrushes, Denture Cleaner, Denture adhesive, Mouthwash)

Last day to contribute will be Friday, July 17.



THE CHALLENGE

The 100 Can Challenge continues as we 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 items collected in May was **214 items**. Thank you to all who contribute!

GUIDE TO WORSHIP

June 7, 2026

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

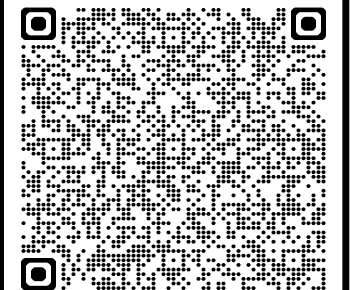
About the Cover Picture

Abram heard and responded to God's promise. Abram and his household went to their Promised Land. Here is a view of this land of promise taken from a hilltop.



ONLINE GIVING OPTION

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

STRIKING OF THE HOUR FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE *This Is My Father's World* arr. Richard A. Williamson

INTROIT 175 (vs.1) *Seek Ye First* Karen Lafferty
Alleluia,
Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and its righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, alleluia!

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 370 *This Is My Father's World*

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty, Gracious, and Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved You with our whole heart and mind and strength; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In Your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of 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) *His Eye Is on the Sparrow* arr. Donald Moore
Chancel Choir

Why should I feel discouraged, Why should the shadows come,
why should my heart be lonely and long for heaven and home,
when Jesus is my portion? My constant friend is He:
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.

Though by the path He leadeth but one step I may, I may see:
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.

I sing because I'm happy, I sing because I'm free,
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.
And His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION #

Gracious God, Your grace is sufficient-and we pray for Your grace to open our eyes, ears, hearts, and minds as Your Word is read and preached today. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON # *Genesis 12:1-9*

Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the Lord appeared to Abram, and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the Lord and invoked the name of the Lord. And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON # *Romans 4:13-25*

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in Whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what He had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in Him Who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, Who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

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 440 *Jesus, Lover of My Soul*

SERMON *It Depends on Faith* Rev. James Witherow

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *His Eye Is on the Sparrow* arr. Robert J. Hughes
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 737 *Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE 443 (vs.1) *There Is a Redeemer* Wm. Batchelder Bradbury

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son;
precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.
Thank you, O my Father, for giving us Your Son,
and leaving Your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

POSTLUDE *Jesus, Lover of My Soul* arr. Larry Shackley
Please be seated for the Postlude.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Elder # - Sue Bohmer (8:45); Ron Smith (11:00)

Deacons/Ushers † - Rodney VanSickle, John Brown,
and Taylor Hammer (8:45);

David Hammons, Bryan Sanders,
Taylor Hammer, and John Futrell (11:00)

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary were given to the glory of God by
Lynda and Dallas Ward in celebration of their 61st
wedding anniversary.