

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WICHITA FALLS

August 29, 2021

A GUIDE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

PRELUDE How Firm a Foundation Arr. Michael Burkhardt

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP | Psalm 95

Oh, come let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving, let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

*HYMN OF PRAISE | How Firm a Foundation (see p. 2)

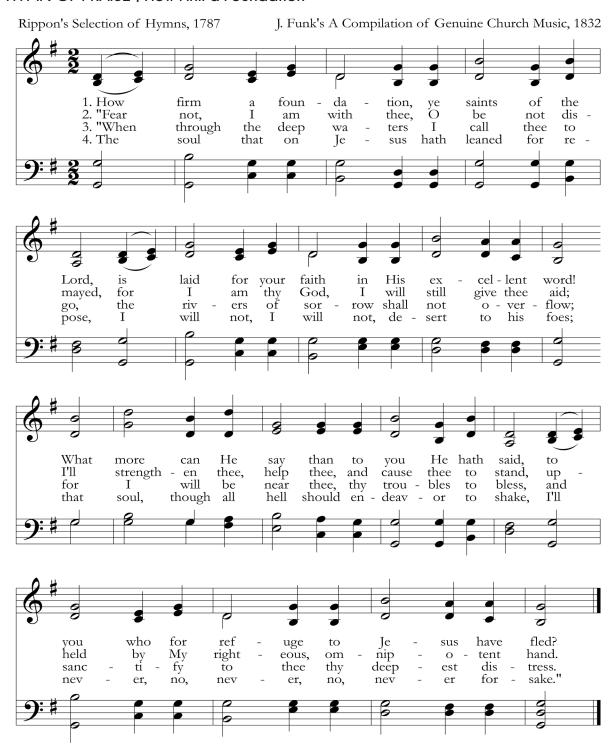
PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, we confess that often we have failed to be a faithful church. We have devoted our hearts and minds to things temporal rather than eternal. We cling to idols, power, control, and image management. We have forgotten that we are all sinners made holy only by your grace. We have thought too highly of ourselves and rebelled against your love and decrees. We have not loved our neighbors and we have not loved our enemies. Forgive us, we pray, and give us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us for joyful obedience. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Time for silent prayer and confession

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND COMFORT

*HYMN OF PRAISE I How Firm a Foundation



*SONG OF FAITH AND GRATITUDE I How Great Thou Art

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 pow'r thru'out
The universe displayed

And when I think
That God His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die
I scarce can take it in
That on the cross
My burden gladly bearing
He bled and died
To take away my sin

When Christ shall come
With shout of acclamation
And take me home
What joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow
In humble adoration
And there proclaim
My God how great Thou art

Then sings my soul
My Savior God to Thee
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REPEAT

SCRIPTURE READING | Deuteronomy 7:6-11

PRAYER FOR THE OFFERING

The offering of time, money, and talents is a commitment to God and our participation in God's redeeming work in the world. You are welcome to place a financial gift to God as the offering plate is passed. You may also give online at myfirstpres.org/giving or text "give" to 830-584-1063.

OFFERTORY | Gloria Fanfare | Jerry Estes

Gloria in excelsis Deo, let the people sing! Gloria in excelsis Deo, let the praises ring!

Peace to the world, good tidings we bring. Let all creation lift their voice and sing!

Gloria in excelsis Deo, let the people sing! Gloria in excelsis Deo, let the praises ring!

All children are welcome to come forward during the singing of Doxology to hear a kid friendly message at Moments with Children

*DOXOLOGY

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.

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN

PASTORAL PRAYER 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.

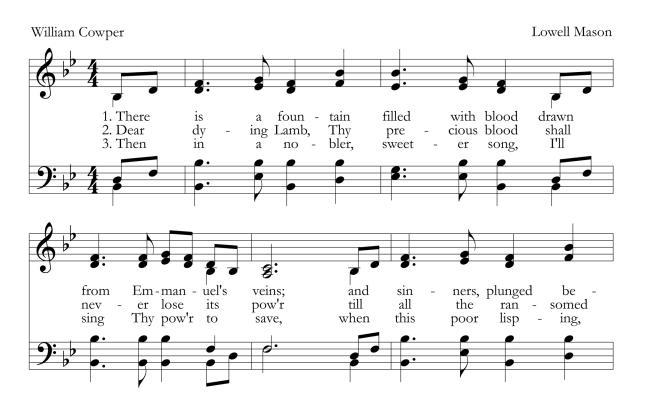
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH I THE APOSTLES' CREED

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 Spirit, 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"The holy catholic church and the communion of saints" | Rev. Michael Hansen 1 Peter 2:9-12 p. 1015 in pew Bible

*CLOSING HYMN I There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood





*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Chaconne Louis Couperin

All are sent to serve and love the Lord following the Benediction.

Church Life

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EVERYONE

Rise Against Hunger

Join us for a food packing event to help end hunger. September 12th from 2-4 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Childcare available for kids 10 and under.

Prayer

Anyone that would like to be added to the prayer chain or is in need of prayer please contact the church office at 940-767-2547. Prayer needs can be shared with prayer chain or kept private between pastoral staff.

PARENTS

The Art of Parenting Study

Join Michael and Maggie Hansen as they lead in an exciting study teaching parents how to aim their child's heart toward God. The study will be Sunday evenings from 4-6pm and will run from Sept. 19-Nov. 21. Childcare will be provided. To register, scan the QR code or visit our website.



MEN

Men's Bible Study

Thursdays at 6:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Men across all life stages study together to develop hearts for God that will impact their home, their work, and the world. Contact Taz Ellett with any questions at tazellett@aol.com

YOUTH

Youth Group

Wednesday nights are back! Grades 6-12 join us from 6-7:30 in the Undercroft. Contact Michael Morris at michael@myfirstpres.org with any questions.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Total Income	\$ 90,240	\$587,561
Total Expense	\$68,565	\$529,916
Net Income (Loss)	\$21,676	\$57,646

Period Ending July 31, 2021

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in memory of our loved ones by Jane and Fred Krautz.

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