



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
WICHITA FALLS

August 8, 2021

PRELUDE

Praise to the Lord the Almighty

Arr. Diane Bish

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MISSION | Rise Against Hunger

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Clap your hands, all you people!

God has gone up with a shout of joy.

The Lord Jesus Christ has risen to reign;

His is the name above all names.

We are witnesses: the Lord is risen!

Christ has ascended to reign on high.

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

***HYMN OF PRAISE | A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing! See p. 2**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from death to life, and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him, or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have gone along with the ways of the world, and failed to give him glory. Forgive us, and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the church, his body.

Time for silent prayer and confession

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND COMFORT

SCRIPTURE READING | Acts 1:4-11 p. 909 in pew Bible.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

The Venerable Bede

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!

Geistliche Kirchengesänge, Cologne 1623

1. A hymn of glo - ry let us sing; new songs thro'-out the world shall
 2. To whom the an - gels, draw - ing nigh: "Why stand and gaze up - on the
 3. "A - gain shall ye be - hold Him so as ye to - day have seen Him

ring: sky?" Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un -
 go, in glo - rious pomp as - cend - ing

trod, as - cend - eth to the throne of God.
 say, "this is His no - ble tri - umph day." Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 high, up to the por - tals of the sky."

lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

***SONG OF FAITH AND GRATITUDE | Christ is Mine Forevermore by City Alight**

*Mine are days that God has numbered; I was made to walk with Him
Yet I look for worldly treasure and forsake the King of kings*

*But mine is hope in my Redeemer though I fall His love is sure
For Christ has paid for every failing; I am His forevermore*

*Mine are tears in times of sorrow, darkness not yet understood
Through the valley I must travel where I see no earthly good*

*But mine is peace that flows from heaven and the strength in times of need
I know my pain will not be wanted; Christ completes His work in me*

*Mine are days here as a stranger, pilgrim on a narrow way
On with Christ I will encounter harm and hatred for His name*

*But mine is armour for this battle, strong enough to last the war
And He has said He will deliver safely to the golden shore*

*And mine are keys to Zion city where beside the King I walk
For there my heart has found its treasure; Christ is mine forevermore*

*Come rejoice now O my soul for His love is my reward
Fear is gone and hope is sure; Christ is mine forevermore*

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 | Steadfast by Sandra McCracken

*I will build my house whether storm or drought
On the rock that does not move
I will set my hope in Your love O Lord
And Your faithfulness will prove*

You are steadfast, steadfast

*By the word You spoke all the starry host
Are called out by name each night
In Your watchful care I will rest secure
As You lead us with Your light*

*I will not trust in the strength of kings
On Your promise I will stand
I will shout for joy I will raise my voice
Hallelujah to the Lamb*

*In the moment of emptiness all was fulfilled
In the hour of darkness Your light was revealed
In the presence of death Your life was affirmed
In the absence of holiness You are still God*

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 | 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

*"He Ascended into Heaven and Sits at the Right Hand of God the Father Almighty" | Rev. Hansen
Ephesians 1:15-23 p. 976 in pew Bible*

*CLOSING HYMN | Crown Him With Many Crowns #213 (see p. 6)

*BENEDICTION | Psalm 121:7-8 p. 517 in pew Bible

The Lord will keep you from all evil;
he will keep your life.
The Lord will keep
your going out and your coming in
from this time forth and forevermore.

POSTLUDE

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

Arr. Robert Hobby

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

*CLOSING HYMN | Crown Him With Many Crowns #213

Matthew Bridges

George J. Elvey

1. Crown Him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on His throne;
 2. Crown Him the Lord of love; be - hold His hands and side,
 3. Crown Him the Lord of peace; whose pow'r a scep - ter sways
 4. Crown Him the Lord of years, the Po - ten - tate of time;

Hark! how the heav'n - ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own:
 rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied:
 from pole to pole, that wars may cease, ab - sorbed in pray'r and praise:
 Cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fa - bly sub - lime:

a - wake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee,
 no an - gel in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,
 His reign shall know no end; and round His pierc - ed feet
 all hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For Thou hast died for me:

and hail Him as thy match-less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 but down - ward bends His burn - ing eye at mys - ter - ies so bright.
 fair flow'rs of Par - a - dise ex - tend their fra - grance ev - er sweet.
 Thy praise shall nev - er, nev - er fail through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

Church Life

August 8, 2021

EVERYONE

Family Night Supper

August 18th at 6 PM in the Fellowship Hall. We will have a Taco Bar, chips, salsa, and queso. Tres Leches Cake for dessert. \$6/Person or \$20/family of 4 or more. Scan the QR code to sign up or call Sandy in the church office.



Rally Day Breakfast

Join us at 9AM on August 29th for our Rally Day Breakfast. This will be a time to kick off a new and exciting season at FPC. Come grab some breakfast and see what studies will be offered in the Fall.

YOUTH

Youth Group

Wednesday nights are over for the summer but we'll start back up on August 25th with a Messy Game Night, weather permitting! If you have any questions contact Michael Morris at michael@myfirstpres.org

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.

YOUNG FAMILIES

Ways To Pray For Your Children

Sunday, August 8 | 4 - 5:30 PM | Fellowship Hall
 Childcare provided. Join Pastor Michael Hansen for a teaching, discussion, and workshop on ways to pray for your children. Children will join their parents in Fellowship Hall at 5:15 for a snack and closing. Let us know you are coming by scanning the QR code.



The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in honor of Bidde's mother, Nellie Cobb, by Mark and Bidde Hetherington.

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