



# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WICHITA FALLS

September 12, 2021

## A GUIDE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

PRELUDE

How Sweet The Name Of Jesus Sounds

Arr. Harold Darke

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP | The Mills Family**

In Christ, the God of heaven has made his home on earth.

**Christ dwells among us and is one with us.**

Highest of all creation, he lives among the least.

**He journeys with the rejected and welcomes the weary.**

Come now, all who thirst,

**And drink the water of life.**

Come now, all who hunger,

**And be filled with good things.**

Come now, all who seek,

**And be warmed by the fire of love.**

**\*PRAYER OF ADORATION**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE | Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty #11 (see p. 2)**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, we think we love You well on many occasions, but the truth is our love for You is diluted and weak. Our hearts are divided, and our passion for Your Kingdom half-hearted. Our trust in You seems pure only for brief moments. Our affections are drawn away too quickly, and our devotion to You dies far too easily. Forgive us. In Your deep mercy, rekindle our love for You as we see a new Jesus' love for us. In His name we pray. Amen.

*Time for silent prayer and confession*

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND COMFORT

\*HYMN OF PRAISE | Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty #11

Reginald Heber

John B. Dykes

1. Ho-ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!  
 2. Ho-ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! All the saints a - dore Thee,  
 3. Ho-ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide Thee,  
 4. Ho-ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to Thee;  
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
 though the eye of sin - ful man Thy glo - ry may not see;  
 All Thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth and sky and sea;

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!  
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore Thee,  
 on - ly Thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side Thee  
 Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
 who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.  
 per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pu - ri - ty.  
 God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

## WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND COMFORT

\*SONG OF FAITH AND GRATITUDE | The Old Rugged Cross (I Am Free)

*It was Your goodness on the cross  
That made a way for us  
If I could praise with every song  
It wouldn't be enough*

*Chorus*

*So I'll cherish the old rugged cross  
'Til my trophies at last I lay down  
I will cling to the old rugged cross  
And exchange it some day for a crown*

*For all my days my heart will praise  
No matter what may come  
Though earthly treasures soon will fade  
I'm standing on the rock*

*Chorus*

*Hallelujah Christ is risen  
Hallelujah my sins forgiven  
Hallelujah Christ lives in me  
Hallelujah I am free*

*Chorus*

SCRIPTURE READING | Deuteronomy 6:1-9 p. 151 in pew Bible

## 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](http://myfirstpres.org/giving) or text "give" to 830-584-1063.*

OFFERTORY | Receive the Body of Christ Kurt Sander

*Receive the body of Christ, taste the fountain of immortality.  
Alleluia!*

Children please remain in your seats for the Moments with Children.  
A kid friendly message will be shared for you during this time.

\*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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

*“Me and My House: Love” | Rev. Michael Hansen  
Joshua 24:12-18 p. 198 in pew Bible*

THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.  
**People:** And also with you.  
**Pastor:** Lift up your hearts.  
**People:** We lift them up to the Lord.  
**Pastor:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**People:** It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING  
INVITATION TO THE TABLE  
WORDS OF INSTITUTION  
COMMUNION  
PRAYER

\*CLOSING HYMN | On Our Way Rejoicing No. 80

John MonsellFrances Ridley Havergal

1. On our way re - joic - ing, as we home - ward move, hark - en  
2. On our way re - joic - ing glad - ly let us go; con - quered  
3. Un - to God the Fa - ther Joy - ful songs we sing; un - to

to our prais - es, O Thou God of love! Is there grief or  
hath our Lead - er, van - quished is our foe; Christ with - out, our  
God the Sav - ior thank - ful hearts we bring; un - to God the

sad - ness? Thou our joy shalt be; is our sky be - cloud - ed?  
safe - ty; Christ with - in, our joy; who, if we be faith - ful,  
Spir - it bow we and a - dore; on our way re - joic - ing

There is light with Thee.  
can our hope de - stroy?  
now and ev - er - more.

On our way re - joic - ing, as we home-ward  
move, heark-en to our prais - es, O Thou God of love!

**\*BENEDICTION**

**.POSTLUDE** **Praise To The Lord, The Almighty** **Arr. Paul Manz**

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

**Our Vision**

That all would know Jesus as Lord and Savior.

**Our Mission**

Our mission is to produce authentic disciples of Jesus  
Christ who...

- Embrace biblical truth
- Embody Christian love
- Impart His gospel to the world

**Our Core Values**

Bible-centered preaching/teaching  
Passionate evangelism  
Biblical community

Godly servant leadership  
World missions  
Authentic worship

Effectual fervent prayer  
Strong families  
Warm fellowship

# Church Life

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**EVERYONE**

**Rise Against Hunger**

TODAY AT 2PM in the Fellowship Hall!!!  
Join us for a food packing event to help end  
hunger. Childcare available for kids 10 and  
under.

**Family Night Supper**

Join us Wednesday, September 15th in the Fel-  
lowship Hall at 6:00 pm. The Hotdog Man will  
be here with all the fixings. Sides and Dessert  
provided by Congregational Life. \$6/person  
and \$20/family of 4 or more. Visit our website  
to register.

**Congregational Meeting**

The Session of FPC has called a Congre-  
gational Meeting for Sunday, September  
26, 2021 immediately following worship in  
the sanctuary. The purpose of the meeting  
is for the congregation to elect the slate of  
Elders and Deacons to the class of 2024.  
The right for voice and vote at the Congre-  
gational Meeting is for those who have joined  
themselves to FPC as Covenant Partners. All  
Covenant Partners are requested to be in  
attendance.

**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.



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**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.

**CHILDREN**

**Sunday School**

Sunday School for children occurs from 9:30-  
10:15 in the Hallelujah Hallway. Classes are  
available for K-1, 2-3, and 4-5.

**Sunday Childcare**

The presence of children are welcome and  
encouraged in the worship service. We realize  
that it may be best for your child to be in care  
during the sermon. A moment of dismissal for  
parents to bring their children to childcare oc-  
curs after Moments with Children. Our childcare  
team is able to watch children ages 0-1st  
Grade.

**Crossings**

We are so excited to be back! Meeting in the  
Fellowship Hall starting on Sept. 22 and run-  
ning through Dec. 15 from 4:30 - 6:00 pm.

**Children's Choir**

Following Crossings on Wednesday nights we  
will be offering Children's Choir from 6:00 -  
6:30 pm in the Theater.