



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
WICHITA FALLS

November 14, 2021

A GUIDE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

PRELUDE

I Will Sing of My Redeemer

Arr. Roy Darley

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP | Adapted from Psalm 51:10-12

Leader: Create in us clean hearts, O God, and put new and right spirits within us.

People: Do not cast us away from your presence, and do not take your Holy Spirit from us.

Leader: Restore to us the joy of your salvation

People: and sustain in us a willing spirit.

All: Let us worship God!

*OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN OF PRAISE | To God Be the Glory (see p. 2)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most holy and merciful Father, we, your wayward children, do humbly confess our shortcomings and our sin. All we like sheep have gone astray and have turned every one to his or her own way. We have lived too much for ourselves and not for you. We have not loved our neighbors as we should, nor faithfully followed our Master in unselfish service. Create within us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. May we go on our way with gladness, assured of your compassion; and may we forget those things which are behind us and press toward the mark of our high calling in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Time for silent prayer and confession

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND COMFORT

***HYMN OF PRAISE | To God Be the Glory**

Fanny J. Crosby

William H. Doane



1. To God be the glo - ry, great things He hath done!
2. Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,



So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
and great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son;



Who yield - ed His life an a - tone - ment for sin,
but pur - er, and high - er, and great - er will be



and o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.
our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.



Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice!



Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the peo - ple re - joice!



O come to the Fa - ther through Je - sus the Son,



and give Him the glo - ry: great things He hath done!

***SONG OF FAITH AND GRATITUDE | How Deep the Father's Love for Us**

*How deep the Father's love for us
How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory*

*Behold the Man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished*

*I will not boast in anything
No gifts no pow'r no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom*

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

***GLORY TO THE FATHER**

Glory be to 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. Amen, Amen.

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN

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CALL 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

ANTHEM

Lead Me Back

Chopin

*Lead me back to my home,
I have wandered far away.
I've been gone for far too long.
Will You welcome me today?*

*Is it possible You can hear me
after the way I turned from You?
Is it possible that You're near me,
that You never went away
and You'll lead me back today?*

*The life I spent, the days I lost,
I have lived them all in vain.
Now I hold nothing to show
but a heart that is full of pain.*

*Lord, I know that You will hear me
although I turned away from You.
Lord, I see that You were near me,
and You never went away,
and You call me back today.*

*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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

Luke 15:25-32 p. 875 in pew Bible
"The Second Lost Son?" | Rev. Michael Hansen

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | The Heidelberg Catechism Q. & A. 21

Q. 21. What is true faith?

A. It is not only a certain knowledge by which I accept as true all that God has revealed to us in his Word, but also a wholehearted trust which the Holy Spirit creates in me through the gospel, that, not only to others, but to me also God has given the forgiveness of sins, everlasting righteousness and salvation, out of sheer grace solely for the sake of Christ's saving work.

*SENDING HYMN | Amazing Grace - How Sweet the Sound, No. 275 (see p. 6)

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Toccata in A Minor

Jan Pieter Sweelinck

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

John Newton

American melody

1. A - maz - ing grace— how sweet the sound— that
 2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3. Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
 4. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
 word my hope se - cures; He will my shield and

now am found, was blind, but now I see,
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.

Announcements

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EVERYONE

Thanksgiving Outreach

Bag delivery is the morning of November 20th. Call the church office to sign up or scan the QR code below to fill out the sign up form. Check the Narthex for orange bags.

Messiah

The 75th annual performance of Messiah by George Fredric Handel, has been moved from December 12, 2021 to Palm Sunday, April 10, 2022 at 3:30 PM.

Family Night Supper

Pork Tenderloin with all the fixings! Join us for this Thanksgiving Feast on November 17th at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Visit our website or call the church office to RSVP.

Use This QR Code to see a full list of upcoming events.



PARENTS

The Art of Parenting Study

Final class tonight from 4:00 - 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

LOOKING AHEAD

Office Closed

The church office will be closed November 25th and 26th for Thanksgiving.

Sandy Lavine Retirement Date

Church Secretary, Sandy Lavine, has announced her retirement date for December 2, 2021. We are thankful for her time here at FPC and grateful for her friendship. Please share messages of thanks and best wishes to Sandy between now and December 2nd.

MINISTRY STAFF

Michael Hansen, Senior Pastor/Head of Staff

Michael Morris, Assistant Pastor/
Director of Student Ministries

Lance Hargis, Director of Music

Dustin Fike, Director of Contemporary Music

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in memory of Martha Winfrey, by her family.

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