

**NOVEMBER 2ND, 2025
ALL SAINTS
& COMMUNION SUNDAY**



WELCOME HOME, CHILDREN OF GOD



Integrative Method of Worship

There are many styles of worship. At First Presbyterian, our worship style, generally, is a traditional reformed service with liturgy, confession and classic Christian hymnody. Even with our traditional emphasis, we believe that relevant worship in the 21st century provides space for congregants and visitors to do integrative spiritual work. By this, we mean that our daily experiences inform and affect our theology and vice versa. In worship at First Presbyterian, we are striving to integrate experience and theology so that we feel responsive and genuine in our faith as we live our daily lives. Worship planning is anchored and planned around the sermon or the sermon series. Series are planned to address any one of four areas: mission of the church, life of the church family, Biblical literacy and current relevant topics. We strive to be balanced and thoughtful in what is offered for your prayer and reflection. However, because integration and responsiveness are the goal, we will often address sensitive issues. Prayers and confessions are written by our pastor. Our children's Spirit Box time is the opportunity for children to have a choice and voice in worship. We welcome you, as you are, to each worship service at First Presbyterian. Integrative work is not easy. It is not always comfortable, but it is essential to a vital church. Please feel free to reach out to our pastor with your questions.

Statement of Mission

First Presbyterian Church of Waco, Texas, welcomes all as children of God through our worship, outreach, Christian education and congregational life events. By the liberating and compelling grace of God, and in accord with our Reformed theological heritage, we follow Jesus Christ's example by reaching out to seekers and those in need, nurturing disciples, honoring diversity and seeking to reconcile the world to God through ministries of justice and mercy.

If You Are New Here

Stop by our Welcome Center in the Narthex for information. When you are seated, please fill out the Welcome Folder you will find in the pew. After all in the pew have signed, pass it to the center aisle or use the QR code to sign in online.

These May Help During the Service

If you would like a large-print hymnal or hearing enhancement device, please ask an usher. We also have worship bags for children on the wall of the Narthex. Please return the bag after the service.

If You Are in Need of Prayer

You will find prayer cards in the back of the pew. You may place them in the offering plate or hand them to an usher. Your prayers are confidential.

Childcare

Childcare is available from 8:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M. Contact the church office at (254) 752-1665 for more information.

Greetings and Announcements

Prelude: (8:30) *Praise Him, Praise Him, All Ye Little Children* Smith
(10:30) *In Paradisum* Sherman
St. Cecilia HandBell Choir

+ Please
rise in
body or in
spirit.

Remembering the Saints

Jane Abbott-Kirk, William Bogusch, John Hawes, Dee Blinka, Lou Christian-Armstrong,
Harriet Wacker, Delores Horne, Walter Smith, Richard Bond

Remembering Our Deceased Pastors

Rev. Thomas Alexander*, Rev. John M. McChord*, Rev. Samuel C. Taylor*,
Rev. Dr. Samuel A. King, Rev. Dr. Charles T. Caldwell, Rev. Dr. Theodore B. Hay,
Rev. Dr. Thomas B. Gallaher, Rev. Roy T. Sherrod

Thank you to
Lydia
Gravagne
(Cellist) for
her musical
gift.

+ Call to Worship: (Psalm 16)

One: The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.

**Many: The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a
goodly heritage.**

One: I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs
me.

**Many: I keep the Lord before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall
not be moved.**

One: My heart is glad, my soul rejoices, and my body rests secure. Amen.

+ Hymn #730 *I Sing a Song of the Saints of God* GRAND ISLE

Prayer of Confession and Aspiration

**Holy God, we remember those whose lives bore witness to your grace. We
confess that we often look for holiness in the grand and the obvious. We
expect your saints to be polished and prominent, forgetting that your
glory is most often revealed in the humble and hidden. You, O Lord,
sanctify the overlooked. You dwell in the margins, and your Spirit moves
through those we least expect. Teach us to honor the quiet witnesses of
your grace. Shape us into people who recognize and reflect your holiness
not through perfection, but through presence. May our lives be open to
your surprising work. Amen.**

Thank you to
this
morning's
candle
carriers &
communion
servers.

Moment of Silence

Response Hymn #341 (10:30) *O God, Show Mercy to Us* THAXTED
O God, show mercy to us, and bless us with your grace;
and cause to shine upon us the brightness of your face.

We are grateful for last week's giving of \$3,002.40

On Sundays when we have communion or baptism and the congregation responds to the sacrament, we receive that participation as our Affirmation of Faith for the day.

Venmo can facilitate your offering or designated gift.



Declaration of Grace & Sharing of the Peace of Christ

+ Invitation to Our Children (10:30) "*Christ Before Me*" St. Patrick's Breastplate
Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ beside me, Christ within me,
Christ in the face of those who love me

Spirit Box Miles Palm
God be in my head. God be in my heart. God be on my left. God be on my right.
God be beneath me. God be above me. God be in the faces of all who love me.

2026 Stewardship Speaker: Sue Patrick

Prayer of Illumination
Hebrew Scripture Reading: Joshua 6:1-7 (pew Bible OT pg.197)
Leader: The Word of the Lord. | **People: Thanks be to God.**

Anthem *To Dust* Marrolli
Let my crying come to dust. Let my grief be turned to ashes. Let my heart be
cleansed with flame. Kyrie eleison. Let my mourning turn to song. Let my sorrow turn
to sunrise. Let my broken spirit rest. Let your healing waters rise. Let your deserts
bloom with bounty. Let your Holy Spirit come. Christe eleison. Let our crying come
to dust. Let our grief be turned to ashes. Let our hearts be cleansed with flame.
Kyrie eleison.

+ Gospel Scripture Reading: Luke 19:1-10 (pew Bible NT pg.82)
Leader: The Gospel of our Lord. | **People: Praise to you, O Christ.**

+ Gloria Patri #581 (10:30) *Glory Be to the Father* Gloria Patri
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. Amen, amen.

Sermon: Sainthood – Barriers and Affordances Taylor Holleyman, Ph.D

Offering (10:30) *Borning Cry* Hobby
Text can be found on Hymn #488

+ Doxology #606 (10:30)
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Sacrament of Holy Communion (8:30) *Sweet Memories* Bober
(10:30) *Pie Jesu* Faure
Pie Jesu is a Latin phrase meaning "Merciful Jesus give them rest"

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

+ Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

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.

+ Hymn #375

Shall We Gather at the River

HANSON PLACE

+ Charge & Benediction

+ Closing Response: (10:30) #175

Seek Ye First
(descant)

LAFFERTY

Postlude: (8:30)
(10:30)

We Praise and Bless the Lord
Toccata on Sine Nomine

Smith
Bedard

You are invited to recess with a mum to adorn our courtyard Columbarium.

Sanctuary Flowers

In loving memory of
John Hawes.

Given by: Margaret Hawes



Parlor Plants

In memory of our mothers.

Given by: Mike & Cathy
McPhee, Marie Adeline
Bouffard McPhee, Margaret
Inez Calcutt Woods Johnson.

**Take a picture in front of
the wings and email to
Evan at
ecole@firstpreswaco.org**

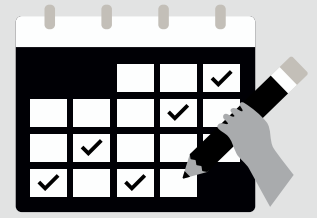


**Scan and
register your
attendance.**



**Thank you to
Toni and Lee
Percivill
for hosting
Coffee
Fellowship!**

UPCOMING THIS WEEK



SUN

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All Saints & Communion Sunday

8:30 A.M.

9:15 A.M.

10:30 A.M.

11:30 A.M.

Worship Service - Hybrid

Christian Formation Classes for all ages

Worship Service - Hybrid

Coffee Fellowship

MON

3

5:30 P.M.

Neurodiversity Team Meeting - Zoom

TUE

4

8:30 - 11:30 A.M.

Meals on Wheels - For more information
contact Charlotte Henderson - (254) 744-3305

WED

5

6:00 P.M.

6:00 P.M.

7:00 P.M.

St. Cecilia Bell Choir Practice - Sanctuary

Into the Heart Youth Programming

Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary

THU

6

8:30 - 11:30 A.M.

9:00 A.M.

12:00 P.M.

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Classic Voice Ensemble - Choir Room

Personnel Committee Meeting

FRI

7

All Day

Church Retreat Nov 7 - 9 - Mo Ranch

SUN

9

Leslie King Preaching

8:30 A.M.

9:15 A.M.

10:30 A.M.

Worship Service - Hybrid

Christian Formation Classes for all ages

Worship Service - Hybrid

Save the Date, Youth Christmas Party at The Cooper House, December 3rd from 6 - 7:30 P.M.



FIRST PRES NEWS

OUR HYBRID HOUSE

Our Hybrid House is the newest committee of the Diaconate, focusing on enriching our environment for hybrid worship and meetings. We are particularly interested in your opinions and experiences if you are a non-local participant of First Presbyterian. Look for our Hybrid House meetings on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 5:00 P.M. **Our next meeting will be on November 9.**

The topic will be: "A story of an important veteran in your life."



NOVEMBER SERVICE SATURDAY

We are volunteering with Naomi House on Saturday, November 15th, from 9:00 a.m. – noon. Naomi House is a ministry of DaySpring Baptist Church that provides a temporary place of refuge for asylum seekers. We will help with some cleaning and yard maintenance. Please sign up on Realm.



INTO THE HEART WEDNESDAYS

Join us Wednesday night at 6:00 P.M. for our Into the Heart Series.

- November 5: *Into the Heart of our Saints: Mapping Genealogy and Grace* – Bring a list of grandparents and great grandparents as far back as you can go!
- November 12: *Into the Heart of Relaxation* – Pajama night....supportive and effortless yoga....essential oils and tricks for relaxing from stress.

HANGING OF THE GREENS

Help us prepare for the Advent season by participating in Hanging of the Greens on Sunday, November 23rd. Immediately after the 10:30 service, we will join together to complete our decorating.



OPEN TABLE DESSERT

We are excited to sponsor Open Table, a college ministry and chapel option at Baylor University. Open Table meets each Thursday to enjoy a meal and conversations about faith. If you would like to sponsor dessert for one of their Thursday gatherings, please sign-up here:



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Sunday Services 8:30 AM (Weekly Communion) and 10:30 AM (Morning Worship)
Pastor - Leslie King

