

WORSHIP



FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH of
RICHARDSON

JANUARY 11, 2026 | BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Responding to God's love and grace, we WORSHIP with joy, NURTURE with faith, and SERVE others with love.

At First Presbyterian Church of Richardson, we believe that God's love is for everyone—without exception. We welcome all people to worship, serve, and grow with us, regardless of race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, physical or mental ability, marital status, or economic circumstance. We affirm the worth and dignity of every person as a beloved child of God, created in God's image. As a church rooted in God's grace, we seek to live with open hearts and open minds. We commit to being a safe and affirming space for all, especially those who have been hurt or excluded by the church in the past. In our worship, our leadership, our fellowship, and our service—we welcome you. We see you. We honor your full humanity. You are welcome here. You are not alone. You are loved.

We Gather Around the Word

WELCOME

OPENING VOLUNTARY

"Five Variations on STUTTGART"

G. Winston Cassler

Terry Metzger, Piano

The hymn tune Stuttgart can be found in most any hymnal, often featuring the baptism text found in GTG #486.

*CALL TO WORSHIP | *Responsively*

Katie Black, Liturgist

The voice of the Lord is powerful and full of majesty.

from Psalm 148

May the Lord bless us with God's Peace!

The voice of the Lord proclaimed Jesus as God's beloved.

In our own baptisms, we are claimed as God's beloved.

*OPENING HYMN | #475 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

CALL TO CONFESSION *and* PRAYER OF CONFESSION | *Unison*

Merciful God, we confess that we are estranged from you and from one another.

We treat others as strangers

rather than as people created in your image and fellow children of God.

We exploit the earth as though it were our possession

rather than a gift entrusted to our care and a reflection of your image and glory.

Forgive us our sins and transform us by your Spirit

that we might live as people who have been baptized as your own children.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS | *Responsively*

God has forgiven us of our own sins and set us on new paths.

Let us remember our baptisms

and trust in God's mercy to restore our right standing as God's own.

Thanks be to God!

**Please stand in body or spirit*

GLORIA PATRI | #582 “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

*World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The Peace of Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

TIME FOR TINY THEOLOGIANs

*Children of all ages are welcome to join us up front for a brief children’s lesson. Children between the
ages of 0-kindergarten are then welcome to go to the nursery following the lesson, or return to their seats.*

ANTHEM

“Pie Jesu”
by Gabriel Faure
Aden Black, Soloist
Terry Metzger, Organ

*Pie Jesu, Domine, dona eis requiem. Blessed Jesus, Lord, give them rest.
Pie Jesu, Domine, dona eis sempiternam requiem. Blessed Jesus, Lord, give them eternal rest.*

We Proclaim the Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 29
Matthew 3:13-17

NRSV OT Pgs. 504-505
NRSV NT Pg. 3

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Alice Hernandez

We Respond to the Word

HYMN OF RESPONSE | #488 “I Was There To Hear Your Boring Cry”

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | *Unison*

Book of Common Worship, Philippians 2:5-11

**Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross.
Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess to the glory of God:
Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *and* THE LORD’S PRAYER | *Unison*

**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.**

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“I Will Sing With the Spirit”

by John Rutter

The Sanctuary Choir, Amanda Hollis, Director
Terry Metzger, Piano

*I will sing with the Spirit, Alleluia!
And I will sing with the understanding also, Alleluia!*
text from 1 Corinthians 14:15

*DOXOLOGY | #609 “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures high and low.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known:
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

We Are Sent Out to Bear the Word in the World

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*SENDING HYMN | #295 "Go to the World!"

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

"Trumpet Dance"

Patricia Lou Harris

Terry Metzger, Piano

Manna Bags for Annual PIT Count

Sunday, January 11 / Welcome Center

The Annual Point-In-Time (PIT) Count is the annual count of unhoused individuals in our communities, occurring on a single night at the end of January. By participating in this one-day event, you help shape year-round support for service providers who use this data to estimate local needs, secure funding, and address gaps in services. There are many ways to get involved with this community-driven effort, and we are creating resource bags/manna bags this year to be involved.

All are invited to stay after worship today and assemble manna bags that will be passed out to our unhoused neighbors.



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WEEK AT A GLANCE:

Sunday, January 11 - Cents-Ability Sunday

Coffee Class: 9 am, A111

Present Word: 9 am, A109

Discover FPCR Class: 9 am, Library

Children's Sunday School: 9-10:15 am, CE Building

Nursery: 9-11:30 am, CE Building

Worship: 10:30 am, In-Person & Online

Monday, January 12

Faith Sharing: 1 pm, Library

Tuesday, January 13

Prayer Group: 6:30 am, Phone

Tuesday Morning Bible Study: 10 am, Library

Wednesday, January 14

Sometimers: 8-11 am

Handbell Rehearsal: 5:45-7:15 pm

Choir Rehearsal: 7:30-9 pm

Thursday, January 15

Art Therapy: 10 am-12 pm, Room A109

Friday, January 16

Faith Sharing & Lunch Bunch: 10:30 am-12:30 pm, Library

Saturday, January 17

Taiwanese Ministry Bible Study: 2-4 pm, Library

Sunday, January 18

Coffee Class: 9 am, A111

Present Word: 9 am, A109

Children's Sunday School: 9-10:15 am, CE Building

Nursery: 9-11:30 am, CE Building

Worship: 10:30 am, In-Person & Online

**For the full events
calendar that includes
our Community Partners,
please scan the QR code.**



BRUNCH AND ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Save the Date!

SUNDAY,
FEBRUARY 1
10:30 AM
FELLOWSHIP
HALL



Cents-Ability SUNDAY

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE

Monthly Dinner & Fellowship

JANUARY 21

6:00 PM,
FELLOWSHIP
HALL

All are welcome!

RSVP in the Friendship Pads. Suggested Donation: \$6/Adult.

Longest Night Service

Sunday, January 25
10:30 AM

Church Clean Up Day!

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31
MORE DETAILS TO COME