

WORSHIP

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH of RICHARDSON

JANUARY 18, 2026 | SUNDAY, 10:30 AM

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

“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

Thomas A. Dorsey, arr. Daniel Light

Terry Metzger, Piano

*CALL TO WORSHIP | *Responsively*

Robin Smith, Liturgist

God calls us here together — each of us, all of us, our whole selves.

We bring our questions, our longings, our hopes, our dreams and our fears.

Jesus invites us to come and see where God is at work.

Across the street and across the globe, Jesus is present.

Within these walls and within our hearts, God is here.

Let us worship the God

Who reaches out in love

And invites us to come and see!

*OPENING HYMN | #465 “What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

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

Saving God, we confess that we have preferred to sing our own song,

to go our own way, and to put our trust in idols,

institutions and individual strength rather than trust you.

We search for delight in all the wrong places.

We keep quiet about the ways we have experienced your love and presence.

We fail to invite others to come and see you, the source of life and love.

Forgive us, God.

Abide in us until your new song of hope and redemption pours from our lips,

and your love is shared in our words and deeds. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS | *Responsively*

based on Psalm 40

God inclines to us, rescues us and sets us again on solid ground.

God has not withheld mercy from us.

Trust in the steadfast love and faithfulness of God and know that we are forgiven!

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.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Veronica Liang
June Kim

ANTHEM

“Give me Jesus”

by Moses Hogan

Lauren Smith-Carter, Soprano

Terry Metzger, Organ

*In the mornin’ when I rise; give me Jesus
Dark midnight was my cry; give me Jesus
Oh, when I comes to die, give me Jesus
You may have all this world, give me Jesus*

We Proclaim the Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 49:1–7

John 1:29-42

NRSV OT Pg. 679

NRSV NT Pg. 92

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Alice Hernandez

We Respond to the Word

*HYMN OF RESPONSE | #775 “I Want Jesus to Walk with Me”

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | *Unison*

from A Declaration of Faith

**We know our efforts cannot bring in God’s kingdom.
But hope plunges us into the struggle for victories over evil
that are possible now in the world, the church, and our individual lives.
Hope gives us courage and energy to contend against all opposition,
however invincible it may seem,
for the new world and the new humanity that are surely coming.
Jesus is Lord! He has been Lord from the beginning.
He will be Lord at the end. Even now he is Lord.**

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

“Order My Steps”

Glenn Burleigh, arr. Jack Schrader

The Sanctuary Choir, Amanda Hollis, Director

Terry Metzger, Piano

Order my steps in Your word dear Lord, lead me, guide me everyday

Send Your anointing, Father I pray, order my steps in Your word

Please, order my steps in Your word

Humbly, I ask Thee to teach me Your will. While You are working, help me be still

Though satan is busy, God is real, order my steps in Your word

Please, order my steps in Your word

I want to walk worthy my calling to fulfill

Please order my steps Lord and I’ll do Your blessed will

The world is ever changing but You are still the same

If You order my steps I’ll praise Your name

*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 | #66 "Everytime I Feel the Spirit"

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

"Praise to the Lord"

by Emma Lou Diemer

Terry Metzger, Organ

Church Clean Up Day!

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31 | 9-2:30PM

PLEASE ENTER THROUGH DOOR C BY THE OFFICES

Please remember to dress comfortably.

We will be providing donuts in the morning and pizza for lunch!

If you have any of the following items that you are willing to bring and use, this will make our tasks a little easier!

- Vacuum cleaner with attachments
- Hand-held vacuum
- Small shampoo spot cleaner
- Old towels or drop cloths

This will also be another **Electronic Recycling** event. If you have items that did not get included in the Electronic Recycling drive on December 13, bring them on January 31. If you aren't volunteering and just dropping items for the recycling, bring them to door C.



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WEEK AT A GLANCE:

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

Session Meeting: 12 pm, Library

Book Club: 5 pm, Library

Monday, January 19 - MLK Jr. Day - OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, January 20

Prayer Group: 6:30 am, Phone

Tuesday Morning Bible Study: 10 am, Library

Staff Meeting & Lunch: 12 pm, Conference Room; Library

Pastor's Bible Study: 1:30 pm, Google Meet

Wednesday, January 21

Sometimers: 8-11 am

Handbell Rehearsal: 5:45-7:15 pm

Wednesday Night Live: 6-8 pm, Fellowship Hall

Choir Rehearsal: 7:30-9 pm

Thursday, January 22

Children's Ministry Team Meeting: 7 pm, Library

Saturday, January 24

Taiwanese Ministry Bible Study: 2-4 pm, Library

Sunday, January 25

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.**



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2026 Dates
Auditions: January 24
Tour Dates: June 18-28



Scan QR Code for
2026 Registration
and more info.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE

Monthly Dinner & Fellowship

Baked Potatoes and Salad will be served from 6-7 pm.
Reservations are required!



All are welcome!

RSVP in the Friendship Pads. Suggested Donation: \$5/Adult.

Save the Date

Longest Night Service

Sunday, January 25
10:30 AM

BRUNCH

AND ANNUAL
CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING

Church!

Save the Date!

SUNDAY,
FEBRUARY 1
10:30 AM
FELLOWSHIP
HALL

