

WORSHIP



FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH of
RICHARDSON

OCTOBER 26, 2025 | SOUPER STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

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

*CALL TO WORSHIP | *Responsively*

As a deer longs for flowing streams,

So our souls long for You, O God.

When we feel weary or forgotten,

You remind us of Your steadfast love that flows both day and night.

Come, people of God—bring your longing, your hope, your praise.

We trust in the Living God, and we will praise our Rock and our Savior.

Betsy Gust, Liturgist

Psalm 42

*OPENING HYMN | #626 “As the Deer”

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

Merciful God, Our souls thirst for You,

yet we confess that we often seek satisfaction elsewhere.

We chase after success, comfort, and control,

forgetting that true life flows from You alone.

Forgive us when our compassion fades and our generosity wavers.

Renew in us a spirit of trust and gratitude, that our giving—

of time, resources, and love—may become living water for others.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS | *Responsively*

Hear the good news: When our souls are weary and our hearts are downcast,

God meets us with steadfast love.

Through Christ, the Living Water, we are renewed and restored.

We are forgiven, strengthened by grace, and sent to pour out compassion in the world.

Alleluia Amen!

**Please stand in body or spirit*

*GLORIA PATRI | #581 "Glory Be to the Father"

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the

Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -

gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,

world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 4/4 time, key of B-flat major. It consists of six systems of staves. The lyrics are: 'Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men, a - men.' The score ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign.

*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.

We Proclaim the Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Micah 6:1-8
James 2:4-18

NRSV OT Pg. 866
NRSV NT Pgs. 229-230

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Alice Hernandez

We Respond to the Word

*HYMN OF RESPONSE | “Compassion Means Action!” (*see back of bulletin*)

Lyrics by John Fattarusio

*AFFIRMATION OF COMMITMENT | *Unison*

**We believe in a God who provides—
who multiplies what we offer and turns it into grace.
We believe in Jesus Christ, who gave not from abundance but from love,
who taught that generosity is an act of trust.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, who stirs compassion into action
and breathes life into every gift we bring.
We give because we have received. We share because we have been sustained.
We build because God is still building among us.
May our gifts become bread for the hungry, welcome for the stranger,
and hope for the weary.
May it strengthen the ministry we share and deepen the love that unites us.
With grateful hearts, we offer all that we are to the work of God’s kingdom.
We trust that what we give will become more than we could ever imagine. 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.**

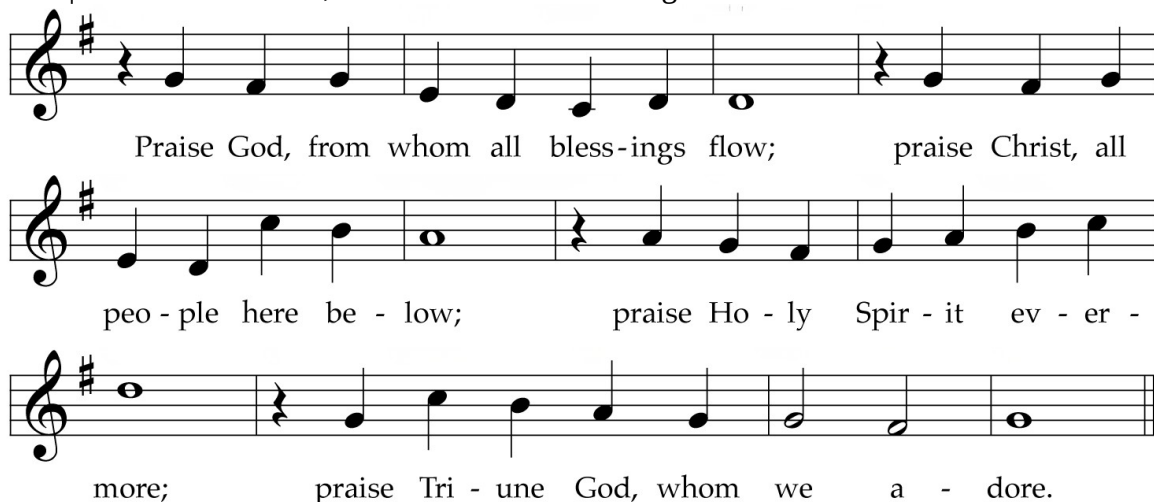
LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Take a moment to consider the ways you will share your time and talents with your church family in the days ahead. Fill out the “Opportunity to Serve” sheet that is in your bulletin. Place the completed sheet, along with your pledge card, and offering in the basket on your table. Designate one person to bring the basket forward during the Doxology.

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY HYMN | #317 “In Christ There is No East or West”

*DOXOLOGY | #608 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”



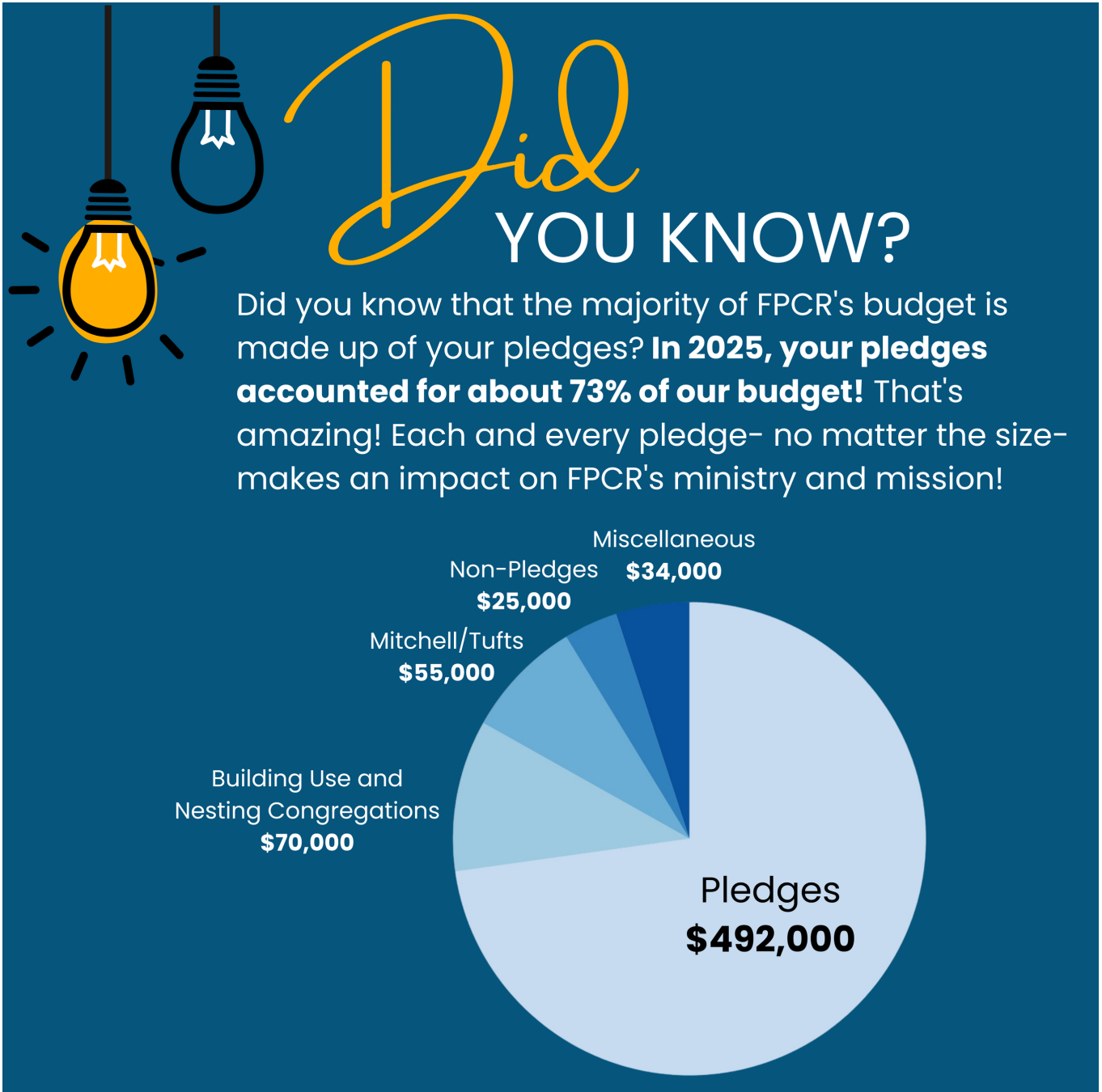
Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise Christ, all
peo - ple here be - low; praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er -
more; praise Tri - une God, whom we a - dore.

We Are Sent Out to Bear the Word in the World

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*SENDING HYMN | #70 “What Does the Lord Require of You?”

*BENEDICTION *and* DISMISS FOR SOUP



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WEEK AT A GLANCE:

Sunday, October 26

Coffee Class: 9 am, A111

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

Nursery: 9-11:30 am, CE Building

Souper Stewardship Sunday Worship & Lunch: 10:30 am,
Fellowship Hall

Trunk or Treat: 3-5 pm

Monday, October 27

Faith Sharing: 1 pm, Library

Book Discussion Group: 2-3 pm, Library

Tuesday, October 28

Tuesday Morning Prayer Group: 6:30 am, Phone

Tuesday Morning Bible Study: 10 am, Library

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

Wednesday, October 29

Sometimers: 8-11 am

Handbell Rehearsal: 5:45-7:15 pm

Choir Rehearsal: 7:30-9 pm

Sunday, November 2 - All Saints' Sunday

Coffee Class: 9 am, A111

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

Nursery: 9-11:30 am, CE Building

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

Thanksgiving with UDCC: 12 pm, Fellowship Hall

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



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COMPASSION MEANS ACTION



STEWARDSHIP 2026



Help Stock Up for Kindergarten!

This October, we're collecting **boxes of Kleenex**,
new children's underwear (sizes 4-6), and **new socks**
for the kindergarten classes at Terrace Elementary.



Donation baskets will be available in the
Welcome Center and **near the church office.**



Arts Alive! Make-and-Take Event Saturday, November 8 | 10 AM-2 PM

Enjoy some time of easy, creative fun —
there's something for everyone to make or buy!
Stop by anytime for this come-and-go event!

- \$5 per youth/adult - All supplies and refreshments provided. Proceeds will support the Pastor's Emergency Fund.
- Irresistible gifts to make or buy - Creative Arts, Gourmet Snacks, Sweet Treats
- Children come or go projects (childcare provided - please notify us when you sign up. Parents may help their children, then take to nurseries if preferred)
- Limited quantities of purchased items

**Sign up on the Friendship Pads
during Worship or call the
church office.** For questions or
more information, contact
Linda Yeager at 214-284-8539.



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THANKS GIVING DINNER

NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2

12 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

**Join the celebration of Thanksgiving with
our friends from UDCC! All are welcome.**

We will enjoy a Pot Luck Feast, Sing Along to
old Pilgrim Hymns, play a Get to Know You
Game, and Meet Mr. Turkey!

**Scan the QR code to RSVP,
and look for the Potluck sign-up
sheet in the Welcome Center.**



Compassion Means Action!

Welsh folk melody Ash Grove
Harm. Gerald H. Knight
Lyrics J.W.F.

$\text{♩} = 96$

The musical score is written for two voices (Soprano and Bass) in 3/4 time, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The tempo is marked as quarter note = 96. The melody is a Welsh folk tune. The lyrics are arranged in four systems, each with two lines of text corresponding to the two voices. The lyrics are: 1. Com - pas - sion means ac - tion! Great need is a - - round us! 2. We wor - ship with joy, and we nur - ture with faith, and Our we sea - son of com - - ac - tion is here for us all! we serve our com - - mun - i - - ty show - - ing God's love With pray'r and re - - flec - tion, and gifts of our treas - ure, with scrip - tur - al teach - ing and pas - tor - - al car - - ing our and ac - tion can ans - wer our Christ giv - en call! and mus - ic with glimp - ses of God high a - - bove!

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We sing with thanks - - giv - ing to God our pro - - vid - er,
 We share our church home for com - mun - i - - ty wit - ness,

and join with our our sib - - lings in joy - ful ac - - cord,
 and lift up our our neigh - - bors in who hun - ger and need.

re - - turn - ing a por - tion of God's gra - - cious boun - - ty!
 En - - vi - sion our church reach - ing out to all seek - - ers,

I - - mag - ine the ac - tion our pled - - ges af - - ford!
 Com - - pass - ion - - ate pled - ges bring ac - - tion in - - deed!