

# WORSHIP



FIRST  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH of  
RICHARDSON

## FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | JUNE 28, 2026

*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*

Pre-service music features "Spiritual Connection", "Looking at Life", and "I Let a Song Go Out of My Heart" from the *Soul* soundtrack.

WELCOME

Rev. Sarah Chancellor-Watson

OPENING VOLUNTARY

"Born to Play"

*Jon Batiste*

Terry Metzger, Piano

\*CALL TO WORSHIP | *Responsively*

Rev. Alice Hernandez

*From Psalm 138*

Give thanks to the Lord with your whole heart.

**When we called, the Lord answered, increasing the strength of our souls**

The Lord, high on his throne, gives care to the lowly and delivers us from trouble

**The purposes of the Lord are fulfilled in us, the work of God's hands already begun.**

The steadfast love of the Lord endures forever.

**Thanks be to God!**

\*OPENING HYMN | #410 "God Is Calling through the Whisper"

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

**Holy and Loving Creator, Christ and Spirit,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth.**

**Drawn by your majesty, we come to worship your beauty and holiness.**

**For the gift of this new day, fresh from your hand, we rejoice.**

**God of mercy, you have given us life itself  
and instead of reveling in the beauty of that gift**

**we turn our focus inward, consumed by what we lack.**

**We seek attention and our "15 minutes of fame"**

**and make that our benchmark for success and a fulfilling life.**

**Our souls are lost until we are found in you and your purposes for our lives.**

**Set our feet on the path you have carved for us.**

**Fill us with joy in using our gifts and serving others,**

**giving glory to your name in all that we do,**

**through Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS | *Responsively*

Jesus Christ knows we have fallen short of his intentions for us,  
yet in his great mercy, he welcomes us back into his embrace.

**Thanks be to God that we are forgiven,  
refreshed and restored for ministry by God's grace.**

*\*Please stand in body or spirit.*

\*GLORIA PATRI | #399 “God Welcomes All” (sung twice through)

God wel - comes all, strang - ers and friends;  
God's love is strong and it nev - er ends.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first system ends with a double bar line, and the second system also ends with a double bar line.

\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

TIME FOR TINY THEOLOGIANs

Pastor Alice

*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

Genesis 1:26-32, 2:7-8  
Ecclesiastes 12:13-14  
Holy Wisdom, Holy Word  
**Thanks be to God.**

NRSV OT Pg. 10  
NRSV NT Pg. 90

SERMON | “A Soul’s Purpose”

Rev. Sarah Chancellor-Watson



# *We Respond to the Word*

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE | #308 “O God in Whom All Life Begins”

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | *Unison*

*Apostle’s Creed*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church;  
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. 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

MINUTE FOR MISSION | Plastic Free July Luncheon

Rick Rickman

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“Just a Closer Walk With Thee”

*arr. Richard Walters*

Lauren Smith-Carter, Solo

Terry Metzger, Piano

\*DOXOLOGY | #606 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

*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. Amen.*

# *We Are Sent Out to Bear the Word in the World*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*SENDING HYMN | #744 “Arise, Your Light Is Come!”

\*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY “Fruit of the Vine/Collared Greens and Cornbread Strut”

*Jon Batiste*

Terry Metzger, Piano



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# WEEK AT A GLANCE:

## Sunday, June 28

Coffee Class: 9 am, A111  
Present Word: 9 am, A109  
Nursery: 9-11:30 am, CE Building  
Worship: 10:30 am, In-Person & Online  
Session Meeting: 12 pm, Library

## Monday, June 29

Book Discussion Group: 2 pm, Library

## Tuesday, June 30

Prayer Group: 8 am, Phone  
Tuesday Morning Bible Study: 10 am, Library  
Pastor's Bible Study: 4 pm, Google Meet

## Wednesday, July 1

Sometimers: 8-11 am

## Thursday, July 2

Art Therapy: 10 am-12 pm, A109

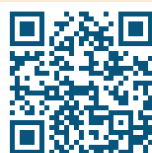
## Saturday, July 4

Taiwanese Ministry Bible Study: 2-4 pm, Library

## Sunday, July 5 - Communion

Coffee Class: 9 am, A111  
Present Word: 9 am, A109  
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.



# FAITH LIKE A CHILD: PIXAR MOVIES & THE GOOD NEWS SUMMER SERMON SERIES



June 28  
"Soul"



July 5  
"Luca"

FPCR Children's Ministry

# POOL PARTY

SCAN TO RSVP BY JULY 15

**NEW DATE!**  
**Saturday, July 25**  
**10:30 AM - 1 PM**



## Plastic-Free July Lunch & Learn

July 12 | After Worship

Join the Earth Care Team in the Fellowship Hall for lunch, engaging conversation, and an informative presentation by an environmental representative from the City of Dallas.

Come enjoy good food, good company, and the opportunity to learn something new together. We think you'll find it both interesting and inspiring!

**Please RSVP no later than July 8** by contacting the church office or signing the poster in the Welcome Center.

We hope to see you there!

**The Earth Care Team**



## CHILDCARE WILL BE AVAILABLE!

If you would like your children to be in childcare during the Plastic Free Luncheon, be sure to **sign the luncheon attendance form in the Welcome Center**, indicating the number of children you would like in childcare.