

WORSHIP



FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH of
RICHARDSON

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | JULY 12, 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

WELCOME *and* LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Rev. Sarah Chancellor-Watson

OPENING VOLUNTARY

“Intermezzo, Op. 118, No. 2”

Johannes Brahms
Terry Metzger, Piano

*CALL TO WORSHIP | *Responsively*

Rev. Alice Hernandez

from Psalm 119

All who walk in shadow, come into the light!

God's Word lights the way for us.

God has promised to abide with us.

So let us commit to walk in God's ways.

All who are afflicted, ensnared by the world, come give praise to God.

God is the joy of our heart, our sure and certain comfort, come what may!

*OPENING HYMN | #53 “O God, Who Gives Us Life”

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

Gracious Creator, you created this world and called it good,

and out of it called a pilgrim people,

chosen to abide with you and to bear witness to your reality.

Yet we, who have been called “Beloved” by you,

often find ourselves making peace with what does not give peace.

Meet us in our weakness; turn our unwilling eyes upon our unruly hearts.

Draw us away from our love of power, our tolerance of injustice,

our ignorance of suffering.

Drive us towards what is fearfully and wonderfully made,

so that we may inspire hope, offer forgiveness,

and love our neighbors through faithful living,

according to the way of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS | *Responsively*

For those who are in Christ, there is no condemnation;

for by Christ's death and resurrection,

God has done what the law and works of human righteousness alone could not:

breathed new life through the Holy Spirit into the world, turning it upside down.

Believe this scandalous, joyous good news:

through Jesus Christ, you are forgiven and restored to new life.

Alleluia! Amen!

**Please stand in body or spirit.*

*GLORIA PATRI | #581 “Glory Be to the Father”

*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.*

*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

Romans 8:1-11
Genesis 25:19-31
Holy Wisdom, Holy Word
Thanks be to God.

NRSV NT Pgs. 157-158
NRSV OT Pgs. 21-22

SERMON

Rev. Sarah Chancellor-Watson

We Respond to the Word

*HYMN OF RESPONSE | #407 “Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers”

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | *Unison*

A New Creed, The United Church of Canada

**We are not alone, we live in God’s world.
We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.
We trust in God.
We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God’s presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.
We are not alone. Thanks be to God.**

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.**

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“O Divine Redeemer”

Charles Gunoud

Amanda Hollis, Soprano

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 | #687 “Our God, Our Help in Ages Past”

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

“Intermezzo, Op. 118, No. 1”

Johannes Brahms

Terry Metzger, Piano

Liturgy written by Rev. Dr. Aaron Shepherd, *Presbyterian Outlook*, 2026



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WEEK AT A GLANCE:

Sunday, July 12

Coffee Class: 9 am, A111
 Present Word: 9 am, A109
 Nursery: 9-11:30 am, CE Building
 Worship: 10:30 am, In-Person & Online
 Plastic Free Lunch & Learn: 11:30 am, Fellowship Hall

Monday, July 13

Faith Sharing: 1 pm, Library

Tuesday, July 14

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

Wednesday, July 15

Sometimers: 8-11 am
 Wednesday Night Live: 6-8 pm, Hat Creek

Saturday, July 11

Taiwanese Ministry Bible Study: 2-4 pm, Library

Sunday, July 19

Coffee Class: 9 am, A111
 Present Word: 9 am, A109
 Nursery: 9-11:30 am, CE Building
 Worship: 10:30 am, In-Person & Online
 Book Club: 5 pm, Library

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



work



vacation



Marilyn will be out of the office **July 15-16**.
 Church office operating hours might vary during this time.

If a situation arises, please contact the following:

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Please call the church before stopping by to confirm we are open.



Plastic-Free July Lunch & Learn TODAY | After Worship

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE

Monthly Dinner & Fellowship



All are welcome!

2311 N Central Expy, Richardson, TX 75080

FPCR Children's Ministry

POOL PARTY

SCAN TO
RSVP BY
JULY 15



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