

WORSHIP



FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH of
RICHARDSON

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24, 2025 | BY COMPASSION

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

“Jesus Brings Light and Life”

Rex Koury

Terry Metzger, Organ

*CALL TO WORSHIP | *Responsively*

In you, O God, we seek refuge;

In Your justice, deliver us.

Be a rock of refuge for us,

A strong fortress, because You are our rock and fortress.

For you, O Lord, are our hope and trust.

Our praise is continually of You.

Bob Wright

Psalm 71

*OPENING HYMN | #275 “A Mighty Fortress is Our God”

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

O God, our creator, sustainer and redeemer,

we confess our feelings of exile and alienation,

and we wonder where you are.

We fear your absence when, in fact, you are most present to us.

Restore in us a sense of your comfort and care.

Renew our strength so that we might realize our calling as disciples of Jesus. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS | *Responsively*

Hear the good news of the gospel, we are forgiven and empowered by God's Spirit to run and not be weary, to walk and not faint.

In Jesus Christ 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.

We Proclaim the Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 71:1-6
Luke 13:10-17

NRSV OT Pg. 532
NRSV NT Pg. 76

**Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.
Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Rev. Alice Hernandez

We Respond to the Word

*HYMN OF RESPONSE | #796 “We Come to You For Healing Lord”

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | *Unison*

from A Brief Statement of Faith

**In life and in death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.
With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that
nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. 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: One Man's Treasure

Annette Jenkins

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"There Will Be a New Day"

Greg Gilpin

The Sanctuary Choir, Becky Lormor, Guest Conductor
Peter Tiggelaar and Max Bitner, Soloists
Terry Metzger, Piano

*There will be a new day! Change is coming, be strong,
We won't have to wait long, there will be a new day!*

Hallelu, hale, hallelujah!

*Every voice lift up and sing till the hills and valleys ring.
Hear the joy creation makes. Morning comes and dawn awakes.
Clap your hands, shout and rejoice! Let us make a joyful noise.
Lift your head up to the sky. Mighty Clouds of joy roll by.*

*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 THANKSGIVING

*SENDING HYMN | #436 "God of Compassion, In Mercy Befriend Us"

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

"Ein Feste Burg"

Johann Christian Heinrich Rink
Terry Metzger, Organ

WEEK AT A GLANCE:

Sunday, August 24

Present Word: 9 am, A109

Coffee Class: 9 am, A110

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

Nursery: 9-11:30 am, CE Building

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

First Grace Community Church: 11 am-1 pm, Chapel, A111, A109

Presbyterian Church of East Africa: 11 am-2 pm, C203, C204B

United Fellowship Bible Church: 2-5 pm, Fellowship Hall

Monday, August 25

P.E.O. Chorus Rehearsal: 1-3 pm, Chapel

Faith Sharing: 1 pm, Library

Book Discussion Group: 2-3 pm, Library

Accolade Theatre Rehearsal: 5-10 pm, Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, August 26

Tuesday Morning Prayer Group: 6:30 am, Phone

Tuesday Morning Bible Study: 10 am, Library

Accolade Theatre Rehearsal: 1:30-6:30 pm, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, August 27

Sometimers: 8-11 am

Accolade Theatre Rehearsal: 5-10 pm, Fellowship Hall

Choir Rehearsal: 7:30 pm

Thursday, August 28

Tai Chi: 10 am-12 pm, Fellowship Hall

Accolade Theatre Rehearsal: 1:30-6:30 pm, Fellowship Hall

Friday, August 29

Accolade Theatre Rehearsal: 5-10 pm, Fellowship Hall

Saturday, August 30

Taiwanese Ministry Bible Study: 2-4 pm, Library

United Fellowship Bible Church: 4-7 pm, Fellowship Hall

Sunday, August 31

Present Word: 9 am, A109

Coffee Class: 9 am, A110

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

Nursery: 9-11:30 am, CE Building

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

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Hit the Green for a Good Cause!

Friday, September 12, 2025

Sherrill Park Golf Course

2001 E. Lookout Drive, Richardson, TX 75082

Join us for Network's 28th Annual Golf Outing!

- 1 pm Shotgun Start
- 4 Person Scramble
- Afterparty and Awards hosted by Bryan and Mauri Marsh
- Beer and Margaritas Available
- \$125 per Player | \$500 per Foursome
- Sponsorship Opportunities Available!

Contact Bill Foote if you're
interested in playing!

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**One Man's
Treasure**
Clothing that makes a difference

COMING SOON!

During the month of **September**, we will be collecting new and gently used clothing and shoes for One Man's Treasure, a faith-based nonprofit that equips men recently released from prison to rebuild their lives. Each man receives a complete wardrobe—including new underwear and socks, and in the winter, a coat, hat, and gloves. In addition, every man is paired with a "shepherd" who offers encouragement and guidance during this critical time of transition.

The impact is profound: while the average recidivism rate in Texas ranges from 21.4% to 44.1%, the men served by One Man's Treasure experience a rate of just 9.7% after three years.

There is a particular need for extra-large jeans and shirts, tennis shoes, and work boots. We encourage you to give generously, clean out your closets, and invite your sons and friends to do the same.

**Collection baskets will be available in the
Welcome Center and next to the offices, near Door C.**



Grades 1-2: Room C203

Grades 3-6: Room C207

Grades 7+: God's Garage, Room C211

Begins at 9 AM

Preschool: Green Room

Begins after Time for Tiny Theologians