

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

FEBRUARY 4, 2018

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Worship 10:45 a.m.

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

God's peace to you this morning. The Faith family welcomes you! Please fill out the information on the welcome book so we can include you in the life of Faith Presbyterian Church. May God grant us a glimpse of His splendor as we worship Him together.

A fully staffed nursery and special needs ministry is available during all services.

Please remember to turn off or silence any electronic devices.

+Please stand if able

USHERS

*Rob McCreary, Roy Buckels, Tate Dickey,
Butch Copeland, Rick Sullivan, and **Will Allen
*Head Usher, **Assistant Usher

GREETERS

David Braden and Carl Aycock

Preparation for Worship

Taken from *Prone to Wander*

Call to Confession:

For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account. Hebrews 4:12-13

Prayer of Confession:

Mighty God, Your Word penetrates our hearts and exposes the truth about our thoughts and intentions. It uncovers our self-confidence and self-centeredness, as well as the secret sins that we hide so successfully from one another. The truth is that we cherish and love many evil thoughts in our hearts, even when outwardly we pretend to be full of spiritual desires. We harbor hatred and anger for those around us, along with jealousy and malice. We judge and condemn others in our hearts, or envy them and lust after them. Instead of loving our neighbor as we ought, we use our neighbors to feed our desires and passions. Even our good deeds are stained. We often wait to serve others around us until people are watching us, so that we may be admired and glorified. We speak your turn impatiently and without gentleness in order to prove ourselves. Father, forgive us not just for our sinful actions but for our corrupt and perverse hearts.

Jesus, thank you that you came to deliver us from our sinful self-centeredness. Your heart was always perfectly aligned with the Father's word. Your thoughts as well as your actions were always pure and undefiled, filled with love for those around you and compassion for lost people. You worked hard in the Father's service, but you also rested confidently in the Father's power. Even though you are the Lord of Glory, eternally deserving of praise, you never glorified yourself. Instead you laid aside your glory and became a humble servant, defeating the forces of Satan through your own death, and winning victory in our place.

Holy Spirit, teach us not to trust in ourselves or in earthly sources of power and strength. Enable us to rest from all our attempt to win the Father's favor on our own, and to trust completely in Jesus, our great High Priest, who faithfully intercedes for us. Help us not to be unduly discouraged by the heavy load of guilt that so easily clings to our hearts. Instead, whenever we see clearly the sins of our hearts, enable us to fly to the truth of the Scriptures, that in Christ the penalty of those sins has been paid for once for all. Remind us that we are now clothed in Christ's perfect righteousness, and that therefore there can be no condemnation left for us. In Christ's name, amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Hebrews 4:14-16

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Prelude

Matters of Church Life

+The Call to Worship

Isaiah 40:3-5

A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

+The Hymn of Praise

Hymn No. 175

Hallelujah, What a Savior!

"Man of Sorrows!" what a name
For the Son of God, who came
Ruined sinners to reclaim.
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude,
In my place condemned He stood;
Sealed my pardon with His blood.
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

Guilty, vile, and helpless we;
Spotless Lamb of God was He;
Full atonement! can it be?
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

Lifted up was He to die;
"It is finished!" was His cry;
Now in heav'n exalted high.
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

When He comes, our glorious King,
All His ransomed home to bring,
Then anew this song we'll sing:
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

The Apostles' Creed

Unison

*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 catholic¹ church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.
Amen.*

¹catholic means universal/united Church

Corporate Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

+The Hymn of Thanksgiving

Hymn No. 241

Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending

Lo, He comes with clouds descending,
Once for favored sinners slain;
Thousand thousand saints attending,
Swell the triumph of His train:
Alleluia! Alleluia! God appears on earth to reign.

Every eye shall now behold Him,
Robed in dreadful majesty;
Those who set at naught and sold Him,
Pierced and nailed Him to the tree,
Deeply wailing, deeply wailing,
Shall the true Messiah see.

Now redemption, long expected,
See in solemn pomp appear:
All His saints, by men rejected,
Now shall meet Him in the air:
Alleluia! Alleluia! See the day of God appear.

Yea, Amen! Let all adore Thee,
High on Thine eternal throne;
Savior, take the pow'r and glory,
Claim the kingdom for Thine own:
O, come quickly, O, come quickly!
Everlasting God, come down. Amen.

Sweet Hour of Prayer

Lawrie Gulley, piano

+The Hymn of Preparation

Hymn No. 173

(Children 4K & 5K are dismissed at this time)

All Glory, Laud and Honor

All glory, laud and honor
To Thee, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring:
Thou art the King of Israel,
Thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name comest,
The King and blessed One!

The company of angels
Are praising Thee on high,
And mortal men and all things
Created make reply:
The people of the Hebrews
With palms before Thee went:
Our praise and prayer and anthems
Before Thee we present.

To Thee, before Thy passion,
They sang their hymns of praise;
To Thee, now high exalted,
Our melody we raise:
Thou didst accept their praises –
Accept the praise we bring,
Who in all good delightest,
Thou good and gracious King!

³ And he[John] went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁴ As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet,

“The voice of one crying in the wilderness:

*‘Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.*

⁵ Every valley shall be filled,
and every mountain and hill shall be made low,
and the crooked shall become straight,

and the rough places shall become level ways,

⁶ and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.’”

⁷ He said therefore to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸ Bear fruits in keeping with repentance. And do not begin to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our father.’ For I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham. ⁹ Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.”

¹⁰ And the crowds asked him, “What then shall we do?” ¹¹ And he answered them, “Whoever has two tunics is to share with him who has none, and whoever has food is to do likewise.” ¹² Tax collectors also came to be baptized and said to him, “Teacher, what shall we do?” ¹³ And he said to them, “Collect no more than you are authorized to do.” ¹⁴ Soldiers also asked him, “And we, what shall we do?” And he said to them, “Do not extort money from anyone by threats or by false accusation, and be content with your wages.”

¹⁵ As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, ¹⁶ John answered them all, saying, “I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷ His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

²¹ Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, ²² and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

Notes:

Knowing Jesus Changes Everything

Greatest Commandment (Dt.6:5; Mk.12:30)

heart, soul, mind & strength – the whole person

Hearts (worship): falling in love with Jesus (Lk.24:32)

Minds (Bible study): thinking like Jesus (Rom.12:2)

Hands (missions): living like Jesus (Jn.13:14)

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Come, Thou long-expected Jesus,
Born to set Thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us;
Let us find our rest in Thee.
Israel's strength and consolation,
Hope of all the earth Thou art;
Dear Desire of ev'ry nation,
Joy of ev'ry longing heart.

Born Thy people to deliver,
Born a Child, and yet a King,
Born to reign in us forever,
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.
By Thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By Thine all sufficient merit,
Raise us to Thy glorious throne.

The Sacrament of Communion

Communion wafers are gluten free

The Benediction

The Organ Postlude

Opportunities to Serve:

Sunday, February 4

Nursery:

Babies & Toddlers-

Tom & Lindsey Abdalla

2's & 3's-

Johnny & Helen Lynch

Children's Church:

Christina Smith

Wednesday, February 7

Kelly Scott

Sunday, February 11

Nursery:

Babies & Toddlers-

Paula Rushing

2's & 3's-

Chad & Anna Smith

6PM Installation Service:

Kathy Montgomery

Children's Church:

Kelly Scott & Kathy Montgomery

Wednesday, February 14

Mike & Rachel Powell

Special Needs Ministry

Sunday, February 4, 2018 and
Wednesday, February 7, 2018:

Kristen Dickey

Sunday, February 18, 2018 and
Wednesday, February 21, 2018:

Brandy Johnson

Announcements:

There will be a **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** next **Sunday, February 11th** following morning worship for the purpose of presenting the 2018 budget.

Today is **FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY!** Collection baskets are in the foyer and the fellowship hall. Delivery will be this **Tuesday, February 6th** at 10:00 a.m. If you would like to help, please meet in the fellowship hall.

There is no **CHOIR REHEARSAL** this afternoon.

SUNDAY NIGHT COMMUNITY GROUP will meet this evening at **5:00** at Jim & Charlene Elliott's home (657 Zetus Road). The group will not meet next Sunday.

YOUTH SUPER BOWL PARTY this evening at **5:00** at Ryan & Wendi Case's (307 Natchez Avenue). Girls, bring drinks. Boys, bring snacks.

MISSIONS TEAM MEETING this Wednesday at **5:30 p.m.** in the conference room.

Please join us next **Sunday, February 11th** at 6:00 p.m. for **SAM McDONALD'S INSTALLATION SERVICE**. There will be a reception immediately following in the fellowship hall.

RYM DEPOSITS ARE DUE ASAP – The deadline is today. If you want to go, your non-refundable \$100 deposit must be turned into Tim today. This year's Jr. High RYM (Hawkins, TX) is **June 4-8** and Sr. High RYM (Estes Park, CO) is **June 11-16**. Please see Tim if you have questions.

VBS VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED! **Sunday, March 4th** immediately following the morning worship service, there will be a short (30 minutes, tops) meeting regarding volunteering opportunities with VBS. Anyone interested in volunteering is strongly encouraged to attend as they will get a chance to sign up for the areas they are interested in that day.

SENIOR ADULTS' BANQUET – **Thursday, February 15th** at 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Friends are welcome! We must have a final head count by **Monday, February 12th**, so please RSVP as soon as you can to Judith in the church office or Butch Copeland at 601.695.4272.

Events:

This Week

Sun. February 4	Communion & Food Pantry Sunday Collection baskets are available for your donations	Worship/ Women of Faith
Sun. February 4 5:00PM	Youth Super Bowl Party <i>Ryan & Wendi Case's (307 Natchez Avenue)</i>	Youth
Sun. February 4 5:00PM	Sunday Night Community Group <i>Jim & Charlene Elliott's (657 Zetus Road)</i>	Discipleship
Tue. February 6 9:00AM	Ladies' Tuesday Bible Study <i>Church library</i>	Women of Faith/ Discipleship
Tue. February 6 10:00AM	Food Pantry delivery <i>Fellowship hall</i>	Women of Faith
Wed. February 7 5:30PM	Missions Team Meeting <i>Conference room</i>	Missions
Wed. February 7 5:30PM	Wednesday Night Supper <i>Fellowship hall</i>	Fellowship
Wed. February 7 6:30PM	Wednesday Night Community Groups, Youth Group & Children's Activities	Discipleship
Thu. February 8 9:00AM	Ladies' Thursday Bible Study <i>MUB room 3</i>	Women of Faith/ Discipleship

Upcoming... Mark your calendars now!

Sun. February 11	Congregational Meeting to present 2018 Budget Following morning worship	
Sun. February 11 6:00PM	Sam McDonald Installation Service <i>Sanctuary</i>	Worship
Wed. February 14 7:30PM	Diaconate meeting <i>Conference room</i>	
Thu. February 15 6:00PM	Senior Adults' Banquet <i>Fellowship hall</i>	Helping Hands
Mon. February 19	Presidents' Day (<i>Church office is closed</i>)	
Tue. February 20 – Fri. February 23	FPK Bookfair <i>Fogartie Room</i>	FPK

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

If you or someone else is missing from this month's list of celebrations or if a date is incorrect, please call the church office and let Judith know. This list is posted on the bulletin board across from the church work room.

February 2

William King
Vicki Kinsey

February 3

Jenny Allen
Quinn Smith

February 5

Shannon Ebbers
Tim Grider

February 7

Hannah Ebbers

February 8

Jessalyn Ebbers
Peter & Sharon Kinsey

February 9

John Michael Chance

February 11

Shannon Patterson
Seth Rushing

February 12

Anna Louise Gardner

February 14

Joey & Janice Wallace

February 15

Andrew Merrell
Violet Palmer

February 17

Robert Massengill

February 18

Anna Grace McCreary

February 19

Anne Claire Aycock

February 20

Joshua McCreary

February 21

Rachel Gardner
LeAnne McDonald
Sam McDonald
Robb Massengill
Cecile Powell

February 22

Kaley Farris

February 23

Katie Stewart

February 28

Katie Marie Dykes

Missionaries of the Week:

Kenton & Adriana Wood

*Serving with MTW in
Guadalajara, Mexico*



Please be in prayer for these matters:

- Give praise for Kenton's faithful ministry in both Acapulco (where he planted a church and pastored for 10 years) and Guadalajara (where he began and pastors the Rey de Reyes mother church, which in turn began seven daughter churches).
- Funds are extremely low and unless received soon, Kenton and Adriana will have to come to the U.S. to raise support, which costs more and hurts the ministry there.
- Please pray for the Mexican pastors of the seven daughter churches, who often face discouragement from many in their communities who have little or no interest in knowing or serving our Lord.

The Youth Informer



Verse of the Week

1 Timothy 1:5

The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith.

What's Next?

2.4.18 : Super Bowl Party @5:00pm (RIP Saints)

2.7.18 : Wednesday Night Large Group
⇒ Dinner @5:30 in the fellowship hall
⇒ Youth @6:15 in the Youth Room

2.11.18 : Sunday Night Small Groups
⇒ JR. High 6pm

2.11.18 : Sunday School @9:30am

2.11.18 : Sunday Night Small Groups
⇒ JR. High 6pm
⇒ SR. High 7pm

Q. Did you hear about the restaurant on the moon?

A. Great food, but no atmosphere!