Our Mission

It is our calling to share the good news of the Gospel through generous outreach and hospitality, nurturing worship and study, compassionate care and fellowship, striving together to faithfully discern God's will for the ministry of First Presbyterian Church in this world.

Worship, Work, Life Together

Coming Events!

TODAY! CONGREGATIONAL MEETING FOLLOWING WORSHIP to elect officers for Class of 2027

November 18, 9:00am, Outreach and Mission, Fellowship Hall 6:00pm, Al-Anon, Fellowship Hall

November 19, 9:00am, Outreach and Mission, Fellowship Hall 4:30pm, Session Meeting, Fellowship Hall

November 20, Bridge Articles Due

10:00am, Book Circle, Administration Building 12:00pm, Men's Study, Administration Building

5:30–6:30 pm, Fellowship Hall, *CHUPPER meal*. Anyone interested is welcome! Ham, scalloped corn, corn bread, salad, cobbler. (Hosted by Christian education committee and volunteers. Gluten Free)

November 21, 10:00am, Melody Belles, Memorial Hall

November 22. Pastor Angela Sabbath

November 23, Pastor Away November 23–27, Please call Rev. Charles Somervill for a pastoral 10:00am, Women's Way Out, Memorial Hall

November 24, Deck the Halls with Pizza following worship

December 2. 5:15-6-15pm, *Such a Time as This* Advent Soup & Study, Fellowship Hall. Part 1: You have found favor. (If you need a ride from Pecan, please let the office know)

December 6, 7, 8, Tour of Homes, Sanctuary open for musical performances

December 8, Interactive Kids Pageant Nativity during Worship, and meal following to learn about the Texas Presbyterian Foundation - All are welcome! Hosted by Permanent Funds Committee

December 9, 5:15-6-15pm, *Such a Time as This* Advent Soup & Study, Fellowship Hall. Part 2: Pain, Pressure, PEACE (If you need a ride from Pecan, please let the office know)

December 12, RSVP by Noon for Parents' Night Out! (Kids birth thru 5th grade)

December 13, 6-9pm, Parents Night Out! (Kids birth thru 5th grade)

December 15, Christmas Music Sunday - Soup and Sandwich Potluck following in Fellowship Hall

December 16, 5:15-6-15pm, Such a Time as This Advent Soup & Study, Fellowship Hall. Part 3: Why do we give gifts on someone else's birthday? (If you need a ride from Pecan, please let the office know)

December 23, 5:15-6-15pm, *Such a Time as This* Advent Soup & Study, Fellowship Hall. Part 4: When Light Breaks the night. (If you need a ride from Pecan, please let the office know)

December 24, 7:00pm, Christmas Eve Worship with Communion

December 29, No Adult or Children's Sunday School

Sunday School Reminders: 3 Adult Sunday Schools: Welcome Home Class is for anyone who wishes to explore "being siblings in Christ". (Rev. Jimmie Johnson and Jim Wallis) Understanding the New Testament, a DVD series by Dr. David Brakke, discover the history behind the 27 books of the New Testament. (Richard McCarthy) Both classes are in Fellowship Hall @ 9AM. Parent's Class Love Languages, meets with Pastor Angela, Westend classroom of Fellowship Hall. Children's Sunday School: Growing in Grace & Gratitude, ages 3-10, engagement with the Bible that echoes reformed worship, gathering in God's grace, responding in gratitude, and loving and serving God @ 9AM.

~Please remember these friends in prayer this week. ~

Doris, Embry, Felicia, Les, Priscilla, Peter, Ruth, Sandi, Terry, Homebound, Visitors God Loans Us

For a **Pastoral Emergency**, please contact Pastor Angela at 620-388-5780 cell! Pastor Angela will observe Sabbath on Fridays and Saturdays, but if you have an emergency (death, health diagnosis, hospitalization, tragedy, accident) on those days, please phone her number twice, back-to-back, to let her know the matter is urgent; leave a message and she will get back to you promptly. For non-emergencies, please also leave a message, and she will return your call after her Sabbath rest. She welcomes meeting you for coffee, ice cream, to walk, to talk, and become a part of your life story.

November 10 Visitors: 12 Online Views: 51 Children/youth: 6

First Presbyterian Church



Granbury, Texas November 17, 2024 **Caregiving Sunday**



O Lord. open my eyes that I may see the needs of others, open my ears that I may hear their cries; open my heart so that they need not be without succor; let me not be afraid to defend the weak because of the anger of the strong, nor afraid to defend the poor because of the anger of the rich. Show me where love and hope and faith are needed, and use me to bring them to those places. And so open my eyes and my ears that I may this coming day be able to do some work of peace for thee. Amen.

--Alan Paton, The United Methodist Hymnal (United Methodist Publishing House, 1989), 456.



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Sunday Worship Service: 10:00 a.m.

fpcgranbury.org/live/

Rev. Angela Madden Scott

Music

Priscilla Allen, Music Director Janet Everitt, Accompanist Jane Seley, Organist

Nursery

Jessica Roberson, Lead Nursery Attendant Nursery Volunteers

> Office 202 West Pearl Street 817-573-2337

Gail Deckert, Administrative Assistant Glenn Goforth, Maintenance

We welcome you to worship this morning at First Presbyterian Church!

Please Sign the Friendship Pad so your attendance may be recorded. If you are visiting, fill in your address so we may acknowledge your presence.

Nursery care is available in Fellowship Hall from 8:30 am to after worship.

If you have questions about church or about membership, we'd love to hear from you. Please contact the church office at 817-573-2337, or visit our website www.fpcgranbury.org.

Order for the Lord's Day

Please silence your phone during worship.

We Prepare to Worship God

Introit **Chancel Choir**

Welcome/Our Life Together

Rev. Angela Madden Scott

This is the day the Lord has made!

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Sharing of Announcements and Words of Welcome

Ringing of the Church Bell

Major Scott

Prelude

Sir Arthur Sullivan

*Call to Worship

Joyce Yingling

L: As we gather together this morning, a warm welcome is extended to all, especially those who are worshipping at First Presbyterian Granbury for the first time or who have returned after an absence.

P: Your presence both enriches us and this time of celebration together.

"The Lost Chord"

L: To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens!

Men: As the eyes of caregivers look to the hand of their patient,

Women: As the eyes of a disciple to the world,

P: So our eyes look to the Lord our God, until God has mercy upon us.

L: Give us courage to face the day.

P: Give us courage to face each day. Alleluia, Amen.

~Adapted from Psalm 123

*Hymn 401

"Here in This Place"

GATHER US IN

*Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Joyce Yingling

Dear God, We confess we often allow one problem to encompass us in its entirety. Consumed by fear, we stumble and fall. We forget in times of trouble to call out to you, confident that you will fight on our behalf (Exodus 14:14). Help us to lay down our self-imposed weapons of fear, anxiety and unbelief. May all our energies, no matter how weak, be focused upon and strengthened through you, Our Lord Jesus Christ, The Way, the Truth and the Light everlasting. Amen.

*Silent Prayers of Confession/Kyrie 575 (choir and congregation)

Lord, have mercy upon us; Christ, have mercy upon us; Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Assurance of Pardon

Joyce Yingling

Our God is a God of profound reversals! While we were yet captive to sin, Christ died for us. We have been brought out of the darkness into God's marvelous light. So let us keep awake and be vigilant as Christ's faithful disciples, encouraging one another. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*Gloria Patri 581

*Sharing the Peace

Song for Illumination 288

"Spirit of the Living God"

LIVING GOD

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

We Proclaim the Word

First Lesson Daniel 12:1-3 **Joyce Yingling**

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem "Safe Within Your Arms"

A Moment with the Children "Jesus Loves Me" Please sing as the children gather

Giving to Granbury Celebrating Families

Minute for Mission Connie Darne`

*Hymn 614 (2x) "Great Are You, Lord" GREAT IS THE LORD

Second Reading Hebrews 10:11-25

The Word of our Lord:

Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Pain, Chaos, Hope" Rev. Angela Madden Scott

*Affirmation of Faith Unison (page 35 in the Hymnal)

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.

Responding to God's Word

Receiving New Member - Celia Beamon

Offertory "The Two Angels"

J. Blumenthal

*The Doxology 606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow: praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Offertory Prayer Unison

Generous God, in your providence you have given us abundant gifts and abilities. You call us to be bold and generous in our love for you and for our neighbor. But we have squandered your gifts, burying them, hiding them from sight. We would rather be safe and comfortable, giving little, serving without much sacrifice. Change our hearts, O God. Transform us into disciples willing to embrace the gifts you have given us, to serve you with gladness, and to love generously. In Jesus' name, Amen.

*Hymn 726 "The SUMMONS" *KELVINGROVE*

Prayer of the People and the Lord's Prayer

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.

We Go in God's Name

*Benediction and Charge:

Go now to live out your story, our story. Go now to talk, and to walk the talk. Remember always the faithfulness of God, and may that memory bring courage and strength for the day! **Amen.** Amen. Amen.

*Dismissal 305

Come sing, O church in Joy! Come join, O church, in song! For Christ the Lord has led us through the ages long! In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!

"Come Sing, O Church in Joy!"

^{*}Please rise in body or spirit

^{**} You are encouraged to share this bulletin with a friend, neighbor, family member and share how much you like your Faith Family! You might be the one who introduces someone to Jesus this week!

^{**} Recycle Bins are located by the exit doors.