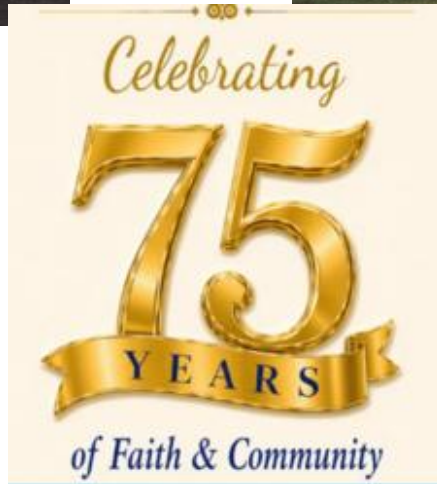
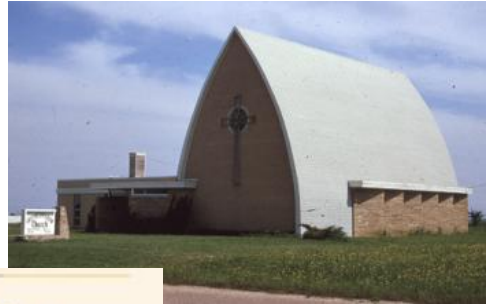


FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH GRAPEVINE

SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

June 28, 2026

10:30 AM



***We gather with gratitude for the past,
joy in the present,
and hope for the future.***

Everybody is welcome here.

Whoever and wherever you are on your life's journey, we see God in you. Come! This is a place for everyone* who desires to hear and embrace the word of God. Because God welcomes all, we, too, welcome everyone into the whole of our community. We respect each individual's identity and contributions. We affirm and nurture the worth of every person's journey.

*"Everyone" and related pronouns = persons of every age, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic or family status, mental or physical abilities.

We would like to take a commemorative photograph immediately following the service. Please move to the front of the sanctuary during the postlude, so that we can organize on the steps and around the piano.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

WELCOME & GREETING

The nursery is available for infants through pre-K. All children are invited, during worship, to the Pray Ground in the sanctuary and/or to use the activity bags available in the Narthex. We ask that parents sit in the area near the Pray Ground.

VISITORS: We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us today! So that we might begin to be in a Christian relationship with you, we encourage you to register your attendance (1) by using your phone to scan the QR code below and provide your email, phone number, and/or home address, or (2) by completing a Visitor's Card located on the back of the pew in front of you and placing it in the offering plate. Thank you - we look forward to seeing you again soon!



QR code for visitors

Also, prayer cards will be collected during the first hymn.

ASSISTED HEARING: Assisted hearing devices are available in the Sanctuary so that you can receive a live feed from the sound board right from your smartphone. Simply download the "ListenWifi" app from the App Store or the Google Play Store (for iPhones and Android phones, respectively). For assistance, Evan Hinton will be at the sound board at the rear of the Sanctuary.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Rejoice in the Lord, always; again I say, rejoice! Let us lift our voices in grateful praise and proclaim aloud the praises of God.

ALL: It is the Lord who has brought our congregation to this time and place. For seventy-five years Christ has walked beside us and before us.

One: We have worked and witnessed together to the glory of God, for we are the body of Christ. Let us worship the Lord with gladness!

ALL: God is the vine and we are the branches.

One: The Lord is our shepherd, and we are God's people, the sheep that Christ calls by name.

ALL: Apart from Christ we could have done nothing. But with His love, and through His life, we have been called to preach, and teach, and reach out to others.

One: Rejoice, give thanks, and sing! Marvel at what the Almighty has already accomplished here and inspire us to continue to do God's work.

ALL: Let us join together, as one family of faith, to worship the Lord our God.

*HYMN 523

"You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

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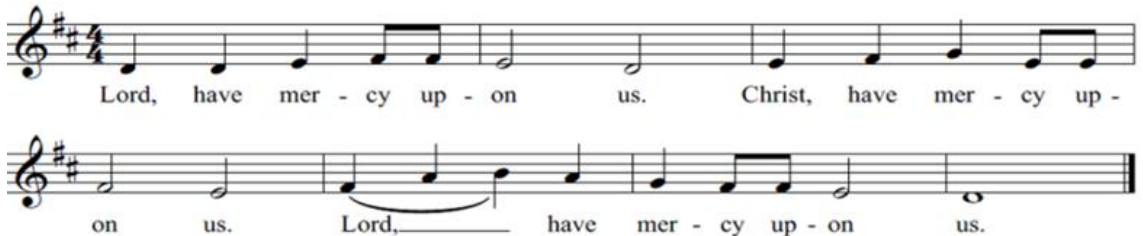
CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of grace, so often in front of others we pretend to be something we're not. But we cannot do that with You. We can't disguise our hidden flaws and faults, put on a brave face to hide our fears, or explain away our mistakes. But the Good News is that, in Your presence, we don't have to. You call us by name, see us as we truly are, and still love us. We know that nothing can ever separate us from Your love, but we also know that we don't always reflect it or live our lives in response to it. Forgive us for our hurtful words and foolish deeds. Forgive us for the Christian acts we considered but never carried out. On this joyful day of celebration, may we not sing our own praises or boast of our own accomplishments, but lift our voices to glorify Your name. Help us begin again and be the people You intend us to be as we go out to be Your hands at work in the world.

(Silent Prayer)

KYRIE ELEISON



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

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ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*THE PEACE

***GLORIA PATRI (Hymn #581)**

**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.**

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

(The Scots Confession)

We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by his inscrutable providence for such end as his eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed, and to the manifestation of his own glory.

MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Barbara Nunn

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 GIVE THANKS TO GOD

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“A Jubilant Song”
Sanctuary Choir

Allen Pote

*Sing to the Lord a jubilant song. Sing to the Lord a jubilant song.
Rejoice and sing and let the earth be glad,
Let the heavens be filled with joy and a jubilant song.*

*Sing Alleluia to the Lord, Alleluia.
Tell of his salvation from day to day.
Shout his marvelous works among the people,
For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised.*

*Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to another.
Before the mountains were made or the land and the sea were born,
From age to age you are God, and we pray for the coming of your kingdom.
We shall rejoice, we shall be glad all the days of our lives.*

Based on Psalms 90, 96

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*DOXOLOGY

**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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

FIRST READING Psalm 100

SECOND READING John 10:1-10

SERMON "Gate of the Sheep" Rev. Dr. Robert S. Crilley

WE GO OUT TO SERVE GOD

*HYMN 838 *"Standing on the Promises"* PROMISES

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE *"The Lord Bless You and Keep You"* LUTKIN

POSTLUDE

Congregation rises in body or in spirit.

Thanks to Karen Trost for serving as liturgist.

(Liturgy adapted from the liturgy for the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the First Presbyterian Church of Grapevine on June 24, 2001.)

Please join us immediately following the worship service in Fellowship Hall to continue celebrating our 75th anniversary!

A Letter from Pastor Ashley Hood

Dear FPCGV Siblings and Saints,

It is an honor to write to you in celebration of the 75th Anniversary of First Presbyterian Church in Grapevine, Texas. I remember you often and give thanks for our partnership in ministry for 12 years. I have thought long and hard about what to write to you. Hopefully this will be a combination of remembering, giving thanks and offering a charge into the next 75 years.

Remembering those who shared in professional ministry – I remember “dating” the idea of serving with you. There was a day at a Presbytery meeting where I counted seats to make sure I got to sit by Bob and Jodi and to see how that would feel. I was not able then to imagine a big brother with whom God could write some new “music.” Nor was I able to imagine a sister with whom to travel on journeys through some of the most tragic times and to some of the most joyous ones as well. I remember the first day I met Jill and how incredible her mind and heart and grit to keep on showing up in life. I remember where I was when Rev. Nancy Drake returned my phone call and how protective she was of this beloved congregation. I remember how good it always felt to be in the office she had designed – a beautiful golden hue. Rick could regularly coax a laugh, a song, another way at looking at something. I’m grateful he and Bob still thought I had something to contribute even if my Beatles knowledge is lacking. Lynda Knagg could make the keyboards send forth music that could get through the cracks of whatever might be holding us back. Kim was incredible with the littlest of children on up. Gia Jiha’s instrumental benedictions still help me to believe we can actually go into the world as God has charged us. I’m thankful that I got to serve a little while in the midst of the open arms of Nancy Giles. And I will always treasure the Act II of getting to serve with my brother Tom at FPCGV. It was fun to get to be a part of this incredible staff.

We all were called to serve with you, the congregation. There are too many of you to name individually, but be assured I treasure the memories. I experienced the Tuesday Morning Group as both a place of theological grounding and a place where community and courage is grown. The people in the LGBTQIA+ and Ally group continue to proclaim God's welcome to people who haven't always had welcome spaces and tables. I will never forget the young adults who drove a long distance to have ice cream with another young adult we met during Covid who was dying of cancer. I will never forget the children and youth who have been so passionate about your church. I miss you all the time. The Deacons may have struggled at times to find people to make coffee, but you never struggled to figure out how to provide care and compassion to all ages. The Mission Committee showed me the importance of discerning together where our money and our sweat equity could most address justice and peace near and far. It was a shared privilege to get to be part of the grass roots movement of Peace Together in a time when Northeast Tarrant County needed the witness of loving our neighbors (of any culture and creed) as ourselves.

Mary Lou asked me for some photos of Trunk or Treat. I'm glad that's what she asked, because if I had to summarize my memories in one story, the story with Bill Dwinnell is a good one. Here's how I remember it. Bill and Peggy were a first pastoral visit in my time at FPCGV. All the care I offered them paled to the care I received. Peggy was spunky and kind and wise. I learned she was a child raised by the Presbyterian Children's Home and Service Agency. She had ALS and I figured that I wouldn't get to know her for very long, but she lived a good long time and we got close. There was a day when I needed to deliver something to them, but I had also committed to not operating my vehicle that day, so I ventured out on my bike not realizing that I would have to go up a pretty steep hill to get to their home. She was watching out the window for my arrival. At that point in her life she needed an oxygen mask most of the time. When I came through her door breathing more heavily than her, she playfully offered me her oxygen. We laughed and also prayed. It wasn't long

after that that we got notice that Peggy had died. I was in a van with the youth and adults journeying back from our mission trip at the border. The drivers dropped me off at the Dwinnell home where Bob and I paid our respects and offered care.

A few months passed and I had an idea. I've always thought it was kind of selfish and misplaced on my part, but I'm beginning to believe that God's Spirit was much more the driving force. I asked Bill (a little too soon to ask anything of a grieving widower), "Would you be willing to be my partner for Trunk or Treat?" You have to understand, I'm not crafty, artistic or creative in any way when it comes to Halloween. Even if I thought it might be pastoral, I also really wanted some help. A couple of years prior the youth tried to save my makeshift pirate costume by doing my make-up, but that had gone awry when my picture was posted on Facebook. The world wasn't ready for a female pastor dressed as a pirate with black lipstick. Trunk or Treat was a favorite event of the congregation, but had become my least favorite event, or it was until Bill came to help. I offered to do whatever he told me to do – buy materials, cut, paste, etc – but instead Bill showed up at the church soon after with a very elaborate set up for our Trunk or Treat attraction. It was a horse made of cardboard and a shower chair that Peggy had used. The horse could talk! Every year Bill kept adding to the exhibit. Just before I was called to Wisconsin, FPCGV graciously agreed to move your beloved event into the citywide trunk or treat. Bill and Mary Lou, led the way.

And so from this memory I offer a charge into your next 75 years of ministry. "Get on your bike" with whatever you do and don't have and show up for each other in mutuality and love. Let playfulness help you to shake loose from the grief and pain that stifles us so that you can embrace the bold and creative movement of the Holy Spirit. Even as God is in you, look outward into the world with the intention of an artist that wants to make a place where everyone will feel like part of the family.

I give thanks that there are rainbow colored signs around Northeast Tarrant County that say, "First Presbyterian Church of Grapevine - Do Justice, Love Kindness." You have long walked humbly with our God and God will continue to give the breath needed to do so.

With love for you and in gratitude to God,

Ashley Abraham Hood



Five Wednesday Evenings in July

Join us for an engaging and timely Bible Study every Wednesday in July beginning at 7:00 pm led by Dr. Lucia Lary-Shipley.

**The Warning of Constantinople:
Lessons from Hagia Sophia for Christian Unity and Faithfulness in a
Challenging World**

Through the rise, division, decline, and transformation of Hagia Sophia—Christianity's greatest cathedral—this study explores both the dangers that threaten the Church and the practices that sustain it. In a world marked by cultural change, religious competition, and spiritual drift, believers are called to rediscover the five purposes of the Christian life: worshipping deeply, living in unity, proclaiming Christ boldly, growing as disciples, and serving as living stones in God's enduring kingdom.

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WAYS TO GIVE

In Christ, God has showered us with grace upon grace. In gratitude, we now give back to God through our tithes and offerings. Monetary offerings may be given in the offering plate or electronically by scanning the QR code below.



ATTENDANCE

- (1) Check in with a push of a button on your membership app.
- (2) Sign the friendship pad in the pew.
- (3) Scan the QR code below (on your mobile device) which will take you to a simple form.



Upcoming Worship and Events Calendar

- Thursday, July 2, 7:00 pm Prayer Group (Zoom)
- **THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, JULY 6.**

Link to these and more by scanning the QR code using the camera on your mobile device or by checking your “Narthex News.”





FEED OUR KIDS – SUMMER EDITION
Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex for volunteers to pack sack lunches, make mac & cheese casseroles and transport food to GRACE. The children who will be served have lunch and breakfast provided by their school but when school is out, they would go without lunch.

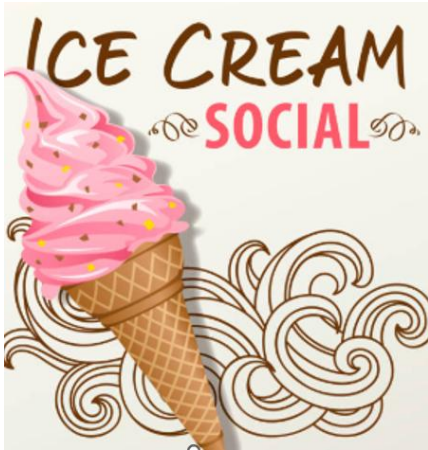


MEALS ON WHEELS

Here's an excuse to go to Braum's (if you need an excuse)! Our Meals On Wheels team is in need of paper grocery bags. Bags with handles are preferred and the Braum's bags are perfect. Please leave the bags on the table in the downstairs lobby.



LOOKING AHEAD



It's a Texas summer. It's HOT, so what better time for an old-fashioned Ice Cream Social?

Mark your calendar for Sunday, August 16, immediately following worship. As with any event at FPCGV where food is involved, come hungry and enjoy!