



First Presbyterian Church | Kerrville

April 30, 2023
4th Sunday of Easter

Building a Community of Disciples

Growing toward

God-centered worship

Christ-centered service

Spirit-led lives

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church! Please fill out the black Friendship Pad located on the pew so that we might welcome you to our FPC community.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

PRELUDE

O God Beyond All Praising

Gustav Holst

†CALL TO WORSHIP

We come to worship the risen Christ.

Praise to Christ, the good shepherd!

Alleluia, praise to Christ, the gate!

Alleluia, praise to Christ, the lamb!

Alleluia, praise to Christ, our savior!

Come, let us worship God!

†HYMN 321

The Church's One Foundation

CALL TO CONFESSION

Christ is the good shepherd, who leads us to safety and peace,
no matter what we have done.

Christ's voice calls us to repent and return;
let us heed that voice and go to God in prayer.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of community, you call us to a world
radically different from what we are used to.
You ask us to lay aside our ideas of "mine" and "yours."
You show us a life where goods are shared,
where all are loved,
and faithfulness is shown through generosity.
But we cling to our possessions,
trusting them more than we trust you.
Forgive us, merciful God.
Help us to truly believe in your just and peaceful realm
...and to work to make it so.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the cross,
so that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness;
by his wounds we have been healed.

**For we were going astray like sheep,
but now we have returned to the shepherd
and guardian of our souls. Thanks be to God!**

†RESPONSE

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.***

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

CONVERSATION WITH CHILDREN (11:00)

ANTHEM (11:00)

Beneath the Cross of Jesus
*Beneath the Cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand,
The shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land,
A home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way,
From the burning of the noonday heat, and the burden of the day.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Corinthians 3:5-11

pg. 927 N.T.

Psalms 121

pg. 498 O.T.

Word of God, Word of life. **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

Under Construction...

Susan Montoya

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Iona Creed

**We believe that God is present in the darkness before dawn;
in the waiting and uncertainty where fear and courage join hands,
conflict and caring link arms, and the sun rises over the barbed wire.**

**We believe in a with-us God who sits down in our midst to share our humanity.
We affirm a faith that takes us beyond a safe place:
into action, into vulnerability and onto the streets.**

**We commit ourselves to work for change and put ourselves on the line;
to bear responsibility, take risks, live powerfully and face humiliation;**

**to stand with those on the edge;
to choose life and be used by the Spirit for God's new community of hope.**

This we believe.

†HYMN 300

We Are One in the Spirit

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.**

OFFERING & OFFERTORY

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

J G Walther

†RESPONSE

Hymn 606

**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.**

†PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

†HYMN 301

Let Us Build a House

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Little" Fugue in G Minor, BWV 578

J S Bach

From service of worship to service in God's world.



Thank You for Serving Today

WORSHIP LEADERS

Susan Montoya, Dick Junkin, Pam Cooper, Sam Begeman, Mary Ellen Summerlin, Audrey Mitchell, Seth Lafler, Sabrina Adrian, Bill Swart, Wes Lane

USHERS

8:30-Bill & Pam Cooper, Susan Junkin

11:00-Emily McAllister, Youth

MUSICIANS

11:00-Chancel Choir



Families in Worship

Children of all ages are always welcome in worship. Special Children's Worship Bags are available in the narthex. Parents are encouraged to use the things found in the Worship Bags to help their children prepare for and participate in worship.

Many of our young children participate in worship until after the Conversation with Children. After the Conversation with Children, a member of our child care staff will meet the children in the narthex and take them to the appropriate room.

Childcare is available for infants through children who are in kindergarten in Room 504, in the Family Life Center. An usher can direct you to these rooms.

Easy ways to give to the ministries of FPC

- Join the members who are using online giving to First Presbyterian. Sign up today at www.fpckerrville.org and click on the giving tab.
- You can also "text to give" right from your phone. Simply text to **45777** and type in **KERRFPC**. Follow the prompts. It is secure and convenient.

Contact Mary Stone at the church office with any questions.

First Presbyterian Church Staff and Worship Leaders

Pastors:

Rev. Dr. Jack Haberer, Interim Pastor

Rev. Susan Montoya, Parish Associate

Eldon Sheffer, Commissioned Ruling Elder

Support Staff:

Mary Stone, Business Administrator

Alicia Martin, Asst. Administrator

Alfred Valero, Facilities Manager

Wes Lane, Media Specialist

Ministry Staff:

Dr. Sabrina Adrian, Organist

Seth Lafler, Choir Director

Shannon Tuschak, Care Coordinator

Audrey Mitchell, Dir. of Children's Ministry

Emily McAllister, Dir. of Youth & Young Adult Ministry

Alysse O'Brien, Children's Music Director

Scott Russell, Children's Corner Director

Ann Reynolds, YES Center Director

Ministers — All Our Congregation



Bulletin Notes

Large print bulletins are available from an usher.

†Please rise as able in body and spirit.

Bold type indicates unison response.

To view past worship services please visit
(<http://fpckerrville.org/worship/video-archive>).



Please take time to silence your cell phones so we may all be fully present in this time and space.



Let Us Pray

...for our troops, especially for those serving in war-torn countries, and for refugees all over the world.



Worship Notes

Both the Call to Worship and the Confessional Sequence are taken from "Call to Worship".

The roses placed on the communion table are in celebration of the birth of Daxton Don Duran (born April 25), son of Madison Repka and Damian Duran, and Beckett Tyler Mejia (born April 28), son of Tyler Mejia and Kayla Valencia.

Welcome, Visitors!

For more information about our church and its missions, visit our website at www.fpckerrville.org. If you would like to be contacted by phone or email, please submit a contact request form on our website, or call the church office. You may also fill out the Connect Card located in the pew pocket, or the Friendship Pad (located at the end of each pew). Please place the Connect Card in the offering tray or give it to an usher.

Prayer or Praise Request? Prayer request cards can be found in the pews, or you may complete your request on our website at www.fpckerrville.org and it will head right to our prayer team, which meets on Wednesdays at 9 a.m.

To join the membership of FPC: Contact the church office or visit us online and send us an email inquiry. Wherever you are on your journey of faith, you are welcome to be part of this church family!

Calendar Highlights at First Presbyterian

For a full listing of church events, log on to www.fpckerrville.org and click on "Calendar".

Sunday, April 30

- 8:30 Worship—Sanctuary
- 9:45 Adult Sunday School—Ryan Hall
- 10:00 Youth Sunday School—FLC Youth Room
- 11:00 Worship—Sanctuary & Live Streamed
- 5:00 Youth Group—FLC Youth Room

Monday, May 1

- 2:00 Congregational Care Meeting—Congregational Care Office
- 3:00 Communication Committee—Room 207
- 4:00 Planning & Training Committee—Room 204

Tuesday, May 2

- 7:00 Men's Bible Study—Room 207
- 10:00 CCP Chapel with Audrey Mitchell—Sanctuary
- 10:00 Office Nominating Committee—Room 204
- 5:00 Music For All (Guitar Lessons)—Schreiner Chapel Choir Room
- 5:00 Yoga For Community (Beginner Yoga)—Ryan Hall

Wednesday, May 3

- 9:00 Prayer Group—Zoom
- 10:00 Yoga For Community (Chair Yoga)—Ryan Hall
- 10:30 Staff Meeting—Congregational Care Office
- 7:00 Choir Practice—Choir Room

Thursday, May 4

Friday, May 5

- 10:00 Grief Support Group—Ryan Hall

Saturday, May 6

- 12:00 HOPES Kitchen—Family Life Center

Sunday, May 7 Communion Sunday

- 8:30 Worship—Sanctuary
- 9:45 Adult Sunday School—Ryan Hall
- 10:00 Youth Sunday School—FLC Youth Room
- 11:00 Worship—Sanctuary & Live Streamed
- 5:00 Youth Group—FLC Youth Room



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Announcements

- **Please help us celebrate Elaine Scogin's birthday.** Elaine is turning 100 today! We will drive over to Elaine's house (316 Travis Street) right after church to bring our cards, good wishes, and hugs! Feel free to honk, wave and stop by after church to help this very special lady celebrate her big day.
- **Attention Newcomers and Old Friends:** Are you open to making it official? Becoming a member of the FPC-K family? We would love to tie the knot with you. Join us on **Sunday, May 7, at 12:00 noon** in Ryan Hall, for a two hour lunch and conversation, concluding with an opportunity (if you're so inclined) to join the church. No pressure of any kind to make that decision. Please call the church office during regular business hours to reserve your seat at the table. (830-257-3310).
- **FPC has nine graduating seniors this year:** Robert Jackson, Emilia Graham, Beth Cunningham, Keaton Mitchell, Jacob Barnes, Joey Rodriguez, Benjamin Lohmeyer, Caroline Daschel, and Simon Silvias. As we prepare to wish them well for the next steps in their lives, we will be sending them with a bible. These bibles will be in the front office for the next couple weeks and will be in the narthex **Sunday May 14th and Sunday May 21st**. Please stop by and underline your favorite passage and/or add a note of encouragement for these youth as they continue their lives after high school graduation. Thank you for helping us fill these bibles with the love of their church family.
- **Wednesday, May 17, 12:00 pm, Men's Luncheon:** Join us for lunch at The Bayou restaurant. If you plan to attend, please make your reservation by contacting the church office at 830-257-3310 or Don Priour at 830-896-4842.
- **Wednesday, May 24 , All Church Dinner, Family Life Center, 5:30-7:00pm:** The Hospitality/Fellowship & Personnel Committee teams invite you to help us wish Jack and Barbie Haberer well in their new adventures. A fajita dinner will be provided by the church, feel free to supplement with an appetizer, salad, or dessert. Please come enjoy great food and fellowship with our church family!
- **Summer Registration Is Now Open:**
 - **Vacation Bible School —June 5-8, 5:30 p.m.—8:00 p.m.** Rising kinder—rising 5th graders. The "I AM" Statements of Jesus. A light supper will be provided.
 - **Creative Camp —June 26-30, 9:00 am-12:00 noon.** Rising kinder-rising 6th graders. Come experience art and fun as we create together.
 - **Mission Kerrville —July 10-14, 9:00 am– 2:00 pm.** 2nd grader-rising 6th graders. God's Gift of Animals, we will learn about the many different types of God's creatures through field trips, special speakers, activities, and service projects. Space is limited. **This camp includes swimming.*
- **Name tags-**If you are missing your name tag, please let the Office know so that one can be ordered for you. This will be so helpful to our new pastor Jasiel as we welcome him and Jessie to KFPC.
- **More Ushers Needed-** We have a 'positive problem'! With the anticipated increase in worshippers, more ushers are needed for both services. Please help us welcome our new pastor with our wonderful hospitality and service. If you are interested in this special ministry, please call the Office or Linda Phillips (303 929-2704).