



First Presbyterian
Church | Kerrville

September 29, 2024



“What Would Jesus Do?”
Five Lessons from Mark’s Gospel
Sermon Series

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

Come Christians Join to Sing

Mark Hayes

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Based on Psalm 124

Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.
In speaking, in silence,
in movement, in stillness,
God is with us.
God alone saves us.
God alone helps us.
God alone sets us on the path of peace.
Let us worship our Helper!

†HYMN 363

Rejoice, the Lord Is King!

CALL TO CONFESSION AND RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Let the words of our mouths and the meditation of our hearts
be acceptable to you, O Lord, our rock and our redeemer.
You are our rock, yet we place our faith in sinking sand.
You are our redeemer, and yet we are convinced that we must save ourselves. You are our
source of unity, and yet we isolate ourselves in every way we can. You are our fount of
forgiveness, yet we fear we will be condemned.
Forgive us, almighty and merciful God.
Forgive us, O Redeemer, and show us what it means to forgive one another.
Silent Confession

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

Hear the good news: our help is in the name of the Lord who made
heaven and earth. We are a people set free from the harmful patterns
of the past for a future God builds in our midst even now. We are redeemed people who are
called to make this world whole, joyful, and good with God's help.
We will live as God's people. Alleluia! Amen.

†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.

CHILDREN'S TIME (11:00 AM)

ANTHEM (11:00 AM) On Eagle's Wings arr. Wagner
*And He will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of His hand.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON James 5:13-20 pg. 983 N.T.

SECOND LESSON Mark 9:38-50 pg. 821 N.T.

The Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

SERMON Build Each Other Up Jasiel Hernandez Garcia

SILENT REFLECTION

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *From The Barmen Declaration*

As Jesus Christ is God's assurance of the forgiveness of all our sins, so in the same way and with the same seriousness is he also God's mighty claim upon our whole life. Through him befalls us a joyful deliverance from the godless fetters of this world for a free, grateful service to God's Creatures. We reject the false doctrine, as though there were areas of our life in which we would not belong to Jesus Christ but to other lords – areas in which we would not need justification or sanctification through him.

†HYMN 469 Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

PRAYERS 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.

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND GENEROSITY

OFFERTORY Prelude, Op. 18 César Franck

†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. Amen.*

†PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

†HYMN 729 Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*You may remain seated and enjoy the postlude
or politely exit and visit with friends in the Narthex.*

POSTLUDE Fanfare Jacques Lemmens



Thank You for Serving Today

WORSHIP LEADERS

8:30 & 11:00—Jasiel Hernandez Garcia, Susan Shaw-Meadow, Pam Cooper, Jane Ragsdale, Sabrina Adrian, Seth Lafler, Wes Lane, Jacob Barnes

USHERS

8:30—Bill and Pam Cooper, Susan Junkin
11:00—FPC Youth

MUSICIANS

Chancel Choir



Families in Worship

Children of all ages are welcome in worship. We have a special children's worship space on the balcony, and children's worship bags are available in the narthex. We encourage families to take advantage of these resources to include their children in worship. Nursery care is available for infants through kindergarten in Room 113 of the Education Building during Sunday school and the 11 am service. Many of our young children participate in worship until after the Conversation with Children. After the Conversation with the Children, a member of our childcare staff will meet the children in the narthex and escort them to the

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 Emily McAllister at the church office with any questions.

First Presbyterian Church

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Calendar Highlights at First Presbyterian

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

Sunday, September 29

- 8:30 Worship—Sanctuary
- 9:30 Fellowship Coffeetime—Ryan Hall
- 9:45 Children's Sunday School—Room 210
- 9:45 Youth Sunday School—Room 206
- 9:45 Adult Sunday School—Ryan Hall (Friendship Class)
Adult Sunday School—Room 204 ("Mind the Gap")
- 11:00 Worship—Sanctuary and Live Streamed
- 5:00 Youth Group Gathering—FLC Youth Room

Monday, September 30

Tuesday, October 1

- 7:00 Men's Bible Study—Room 207
- 10:00 CCP Chapel—Schreiner Chapel

Wednesday, October 2

- 9:00 Prayer Group—Zoom
- 11:00 Staff Meeting—Congregational Care Office
- 5:30 Mid-Week Manna—Ryan Hall
- 7:00 Choir Rehearsal—Choir Room

Thursday, October 3

- 5:00 Music For All—Schreiner Choir Room
- 5:00 Sacred Sips—Trailhead Beer Garden

Friday, October 4

- 10:00 Grief Support Group—Ryan Hall
- 4:00 Camerata Concert—Sanctuary
Reception to Follow—Ryan Hall

Saturday, October 5

- 12:00 HOPE's Kitchen—FLC

Sunday, October 6—Communion Sunday

- 9:30 Fellowship Coffeetime—Ryan Hall
- 9:45 Adult Sunday School—Ryan Hall (Friendship Class)
Adult Sunday School—Room 208 ("Mind the Gap")
- 9:45 Children's Sunday School—Room 210
- 9:45 Youth Sunday School—Room 206
- 11:00 Worship—Sanctuary and Live Streamed
- 12:30 Schreiner Diner Sunday—Schreiner University
Campus
- 5:00 Youth Group Gathering—FLC Youth Room

Building a Community of Disciples Growing Towards
God-centered Worship
Christ-centered Service
Spirit-led Lives



Bulletin Notes

Large print bulletins are available from an usher.

† Please rise as able in body and spirit.

Bold type indicates unison response.

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

To view past worship services please visit



Let Us Pray

...for those who are sick, hospitalized or in care facilities,

for those who are grieving,

for those who are suffering from memory loss and their caregivers,

for those undergoing significant life transitions,

for our troops, especially those in war-torn areas,

for refugees all over the world and for those living in



Worship Notes

Liturgy from the *Presbyterian Outlook Weekly Liturgy* and the *Call to Worship*.

The cover artwork is entitled, "Magnolias in Bloom" by Michelle Carolan (U.K.)



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 sanctuary 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 go to our prayer team which meets on Wednesdays at 9 a.m.

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

Announcements

Sunday, September 29

- Wednesday, October 2, Midweek Manna Fall Bible Study Series Begins, 5:30, Ryan Hall, Dinner and child care provided.
- **Thursday, October 3, 5:00pm, Sacred Sips Social Hour, Trailhead Beer Garden, Schreiner University:** Join other adults from your church family for a time of fellowship on the first Thursday of the month. We will meet at Trailhead Beer Garden, Schreiner University. Come and go as you are able, beginning at 5pm. Please feel free to bring your children, Trailhead is a very child friendly venue. Can't wait to see you there!
- **Sunday, October 6, Schreiner Diner Sunday:** Come enjoy fellowship and food after church at the Schreiner Diner, Schreiner University campus, the first Sunday of each month, cost is \$15 per person, credit or debit card only.
- FPC Grief Support Group—Grief affects us in different and varied ways, and the path towards healing is never smooth or predictable.

Sharing stories in a safe and welcoming environment can be one way to navigate this challenging time. Our Grief Support Group is led by a skilled professional, in a safe, confidential and supportive environment. Participants are encouraged to attend according to need, with no fixed time commitment or agenda. The group meets on the first and third Fridays of every month in Ryan Hall. Please call the church office at 830-257-3310 for more information.

Midweek Manna Fall Bible Study Series

For our Wednesday night series this Fall, we will dive deeper into the different stages of faith following the book of Job. Our program will start at 5:30 p.m. with dinner provided and conclude by 6:50 p.m. in Ryan Hall. Various speakers will share their testimonies while guiding these conversations at our tables. We will also have music, prayers, and moments of meditation. Children are welcome to stay using crafts/activities at our tables, or we will have childcare available.

One of the biggest misconceptions about faith is that it is a trajectory, meaning that from one particular place, one's faith can move upwards to another level to produce a stronger, more fruitful, and more stable relationship with God. While that may happen to some of us, the truth is that faith is much more complex than that.

Since faith is deeply grounded in our relationship with God, we must treat it like any other relationship. There are some joyful, full of adventure, life-giving days. But there are also moments of despair, pain, and disappointment. All of those moments and experiences of faith can be true simultaneously. The Book of Job will provide us with the appropriate words, thoughts, and theological statements for this Fall series. Journey with us as we explore our faith together.

Oct. 2 - How does our faith influence our values?

Rev. Jasiel Hernandez-Garcia

Oct. 9 - Why does faith dislike the unexpected so much?

Marcus Goodyear

Oct. 16 - Why do bad things happen to people of faith?

Rev. Gini Norris-Lane

Oct. 23 - How can faith help us give/receive a second chance?

Susan Shaw-Meadow

Oct. 30 - How can I express and use my faith today?

Rev. Dr. Dongwoo Lee