

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

May 13, 2018
10:45 a.m.

First Presbyterian Church
Bryan, Texas

GATHERING

GREETINGS

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WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND MEMBERSHIP

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PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

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J. S. Bach

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* HYMN NO. 826

Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER

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\* *Please stand in body or spirit.*  
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\* CALL TO CONFESSION, PRAYER OF CONFESSION, ASSURANCE OF PARDON, AND JOYFUL RESPONSE

Confessing to God our failings, wanderings, and sin, let us pray together . . .

**We confess to you, Blessed Sovereign, how we have preferred life according to our own priorities, measured by our values of longstanding, by our values more recently acquired, or simply by what we desire at the time. Guide and prompt us beyond our priorities and values so that we are positively influenced into yours. Forgive us all our sin. Wash and anoint us with your love known in Jesus Christ; and lead us for serving you among your people, as those who go forth according to your instruction and from your transforming mercy and equity, effective and illuminating today, tomorrow, and forever . . .**

*(We pray in silence.)*

Hear, trust, proclaim, and share with others the heart of the Gospel.

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

\* HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 581

Glory Be to The Father

GLORIA PATRI

OFFERING

OFFERTORY DUET

The Lord is My Shepherd

arr. Jolene Boyd

\* HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 606

Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## THE WORD

### YOUNG DISCIPLES' TIME

*(Child care is available as early as 9:20am for infants in Room 108. While children are encouraged to remain for the entire worship service, parents may take toddlers and preschoolers to Room 103 of the 31st St. hallway for supervised activities during the remainder of the worship service. Pagers are available.)*

### ANTHEM

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

arr. Dan Forrest

*(See Hymn No. 223 for text.)*

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### SCRIPTURE READING

I Peter 2:15-17

Pew Bible, N. T., p. 237

Psalms 23:3b

Pew Bible, O. T., p. 501

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL PROCLAMATION

The Good Shepherd Guides Me/Us in  
Right Paths for the Good Shepherd's Name's Sake



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Chris Caffee,  
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Michelle Lassiter, *Pianist*  
Chancel Choir

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In loving memory of  
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#### COVER ART

Shepherdess and sheep in Palestine

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#### TUESDAY, MAY 15

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5:30pm The Bryan Group of AA-13

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PRAYERS, THANKSGIVING, INTERCESSION, 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.

SENDING

* HYMN

Wherever He Leads I’ll Go
(See insert for text and music.)

FALLS CREEK

* CHARGE AND BLESSING

Go in the grace of God, revealed completely in Jesus Christ, to love and serve among all of God’s people.

May we face every day’s developments with the peace of God’s Spirit lighting every path, sharing every burden, supplying all wisdom, and prompting all gratitude. Hallelujah!

* POSTLUDE

Grand March from ‘Aida’

Verdi

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NEW MEMBERS may be received any Sunday by profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith, or transfer of membership. If you feel led to inquire about becoming a church member or deepening your commitment as a disciple of Jesus Christ, please indicate your desire on the fellowship folder. You may also call the church (979.823.8073) or email Pastor Ted Foote (tfoote@fpcbryan.org). He will be glad to arrange a mutually convenient Sunday when you can be received by the Elders and introduced to the congregation.

At the conclusion of worship today, Rev. Foote will be in the Narthex.

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME IN WORSHIP. Worship clipboards with lectionary related activity sheets are available on the tables in the Narthex and also the hallway leading to the office. For those younger than 5, a loving childcare staff is available in the nursery. A pager system is provided to keep you in touch, should you be needed during the service. If you are unfamiliar with our building and need assistance, an usher will be pleased to help you. Also, two rocking chairs are located in the narthex, where the worship service can be heard via a ceiling speaker. **LARGE PRINT HYMN BINDERS** are available at each entrance to the sanctuary. **ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICES** are available in the narthex. Please help yourself or ask an usher for assistance.



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2018 MISSION TRIP PARTICIPANTS

Non-Medical

Trish Burk, *FPC member*
Melissa Gathings, *FPC member*
Jane Harding, *Woodlands Community
Presbyterian Church member*
Cheryl Page, *FPC member*
Anaelli Rodriguez, *TAMU Student*
Mary Troy, *friend of Wrights*
Mark Troy, *friend of Wrights*
Marilyn Wright, *FPC member*
Ernie Wright, *FPC member*

Medical

Texas A&M Health Science Center

Regina Bentley, *Interim Dean*
Kali Beyer, *Nursing Student*
Sylvia Franco, *Nursing Student*
Rachel Moench, *Nurse*
Rebecca Stevens, *Nurse & Nurse-
Practitioner Student*
Cynthia Weston, *Nurse-Practitioner*
Jaye Weston, *Pharmacist*

Texas A&M University

Rachel Doss, *Nurse, Student Health
Services*
Bob Gantt, *Program Coordinator, Health
& Kinesiology*

Blinn College

Nevah Evans, *Physical Therapy Student*
Mary Gantt, *Physiotherapist*
Ruth Lee, *Physical Therapy Student*
Nicole Lopez, *Physical Therapy Student*
Katelyn Paulus, *Physical Therapy Student*
Molly Sanford, *Physical Therapy Student*
Hannah Waddell, *Physical Therapy
Student*

Scott & White

Van Thi Ngo, *Physician, Family Medicine*

OUTREACH MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

DRIVE FOR PHOEBE'S HOME. During the month of May with specific emphasis on Mother's Day, May 13, the Mission Committee is sponsoring a drive for donations of sleepwear, socks, and underwear (NEW in package or with tags) for the women and children at **Phoebe's Home** (a 24-hour emergency shelter for victims of domestic violence). Place your donations in the marked container on the Patio. Also being accepted are gift cards (i.e. gas cards, Old Navy, Target, Walmart, Cici's Pizza, McDonald's, etc.). Please hand your gift cards directly to Pastor Ted or Karen in the church office. Thank you for your generosity!

PERU MEDICAL MISSION TRIP – May 18-27, 2018. On Friday, May 18, twenty-seven the individuals to your left depart for Peru. **PRAY** . . . for OUR mission team and those they will serve! This may not seem much to some, but don't doubt for a minute that our Lord can't turn these gifts into miraculous gifts that will improve the lives of others and strengthen the faith of his Church forever!

DAY OF PENTECOST. Next Sunday, May 20, is Day of Pentecost—ending the season of Easter and celebrating the zeal that the disciples experienced upon being filled with the Holy Spirit. Pentecost is a time of red—a color of fire, zeal, passion, and heat. To show your spirit, wear **SOMETHING RED**. The **PENTECOST OFFERING** will be received on Sundays, May 20 & 27. By giving to this offering you're supporting ministries that unite young people and inspire them to share their faith in Christ. Forty percent of this offering will remain with our church to be used to support ministry with children at risk in our area. **Please take a moment to read the insert in today's bulletin.**

The deadline for the next issue of the newsletter, The Chimes (incl. the June Calendar), is **NOON, SUNDAY, MAY 20**, and will be distributed on **WEDNESDAY, MAY 23**. This issue will cover news between May 31-June 13.

For the newsletter, announcements, upcoming bulletins, and updates, visit the church website: www.fpcbryan.org.

Stay connected with others in this community of faith at **CHURCH UPDATES**, FPC-Bryan's online tool for church-related announcements, needs, and prayers. Login and create your password-protected account at <https://fpcbtx.churchupdates.org/login>.

Wherever He Leads I'll Go

Those who would come after Me must deny themselves and follow Me. Matthew 16:24

1. "Take up thy cross and fol - low Me," I heard my Mas - ter say:
 2. He drew me clos - er to His side, I sought His will to know,
 3. It may be thro' the shad - ows dim, Or o'er the storm - y sea,
 4. My heart, my life, my all I bring To Christ who loves me so;

"I gave My life to ran - som thee, Sur - ren - der your all to - day."
 And in that will I now a - bide, Wher - ev - er He leads I'll go.
 I take the cross and fol - low Him, Wher - ev - er He lead - eth me.
 He is my Mas - ter, Lord, and King, Wher - ev - er He leads I'll go.

Refrain

Wher - ev - er He leads I'll go, Wher - ev - er He leads I'll go;

I'll fol - low my Christ who loves me so, Wher - ev - er He leads I'll go.

TEXT: B. B. McKinney

MUSIC: B. B. McKinney; Choral ending by Ken Barker

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FALLS CREEK

8.6.8.7 with Refrain

Optional choral ending

I'll fol - low my Christ who loves me so, Wher - ev - er He leads I'll go.

decresc. rit.