



First Presbyterian Church

The Cross and Crown



July 2025

Extending God's Grace throughout Northeast Texas

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Pulpit supply for August:

Aug 3rd - Jane Els preaching, communion

Aug 10th - John Coleman

Aug 17th - Jane Els

Aug 24th - John Coleman

Aug 31st - Crosby Fleming

Session Meeting Overview – July 6th

We started with prayer and everyone gave their reports. Nothing was notable except that Kathy had tendered her resignation in writing as the session member in charge of In Reach and Outreach. Alice was appointed her committee chair and attended the July meeting in her place where she announced she would be willing to take Kathy's place on the session until her term expires.

Old business was minimal - Patricia was happy to announce that she was working with Holly on the new website and it is progressing. The clerk is still working on several policies that are required by Presbytery, and the Holloman girl's confirmation training is still on track.

New business was also minimal –

It was requested that the Reid Foundation add to the funds collected by church members for the victims of the Kerrville floods on July 4th.

Discussion was also made on the next steps for Alice to take Kathy's place and a congregational meeting was scheduled to solidify the replacement.

We adjourned with prayer.

Congregational Meeting – July 20th

The congregation met after 2 weekly announcements on July 20th to nominate and elect a replacement for Kathy Winn on the session.

We opened with prayer and the clerk announced a quorum

It was announced that Kathy is vacating her spot and a replacement was needed. Nominations were heard - Alice McGregor was nominated and elected unanimously to complete Kathy's remaining term.

The meeting was then adjourned with prayer.

**July
BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARIES**

Aug. 1—John Clark
Aug. 10—Peggy Rounsville

ATTENDANCE:

June 29—15
July 6—15
July 13—14
July 20—16

August Revised Common Lectionary for Sundays

Sunday, August 3 (Proper 13)

Semicontinuous

Hosea 11:1–11
Psalm 107:1–9, 43
Colossians 3:1–11
Luke 12:13–21

Complementary

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12–14; 2:18–23
Psalm 49:1–12
Colossians 3:1–11
Luke 12:13–21

Sunday, August 10 (Proper 14)

Semicontinuous

Isaiah 1:1, 10–20
Psalm 50:1–8, 22–23
Hebrews 11:1–3, 8–16
Luke 12:32–40

Complementary

Genesis 15:1–6
Psalm 33:12–22
Hebrews 11:1–3, 8–16
Luke 12:32–40

Sunday, August 17 (Proper 15)

Semicontinuous

Isaiah 5:1–7
Psalm 80:1–2, 8–19
Hebrews 11:29—12:2
Luke 12:49–56

Complementary

Jeremiah 23:23–29
Psalm 82
Hebrews 11:29—12:2
Luke 12:49–56

Sunday, August 24 (Proper 16)

Semicontinuous

Jeremiah 1:4–10
Psalm 71:1–6
Hebrews 12:18–29
Luke 13:10–17

Complementary

Isaiah 58:9b–14
Psalm 103:1–8
Hebrews 12:18–29
Luke 13:10–17

Sunday, August 31 (Proper 17)

Semicontinuous

Jeremiah 2:4–13
Psalm 81:1, 10–16
Hebrews 13:1–8, 15–16
Luke 14:1, 7–14

Complementary

Proverbs 25:6–7
Psalm 112
Hebrews 13:1–8, 15–16
Luke 14:1, 7–14

We'll have a family lunch after service on Aug. 17th. It's a potluck lunch. Bring a dish and come enjoy some fellowship time with your church family. Looking forward to seeing you there!!



Jane's Journey is on a break

Guest Submission:

Mom was my influencer>>>Submitted by Georgia Moore (true story)

My Mom and Dad were involved in a bad auto accident while retired in Florida. My dad was already nearly incapacitated by severe arthritis. They finally had to sue... their lawyer won the claim but was delaying the payout by the insurance company. Mom tried to handle it but finally realized the lawyer was not so honest. She checked with the insurance company and was told they had remitted the payment to her lawyer months ago. She went after the lawyer with phone calls and visits, he was always "out of the office or could not be disturbed." Mom told her knitting buddies. Two ladies offered to go with Mom and do a SIT IN in his office. They took their knitting and brown bag lunches. Upon arrival, they were told they didn't have an appointment. Mom smiled sweetly and replied "I am Mrs. Walker, you may call me Ann. We speak often enough. I keep calling you on the phone. I am here for my check." "So sorry, Ann, your lawyer is in court this morning."

"As you can see, we brought our lunches so we will wait. He has to show up sometime." Other clients came and went. Mom and her friends discussed aloud how shabbily the lawyer had treated her and how slow he was to remit her insurance check. The secretary went to the inner office to make a phone call. Lunch time came and the ladies started eating their sandwiches. Mary had egg salad, very aromatic. Betty brought sausage with onion. Mom had tuna fish. Things were getting tense. Finally, just before closing, the angry lawyer appeared. The ladies jumped up and happily greeted him. Mom asked for her overdue check. He was red faced and short tempered.... the secretary fetched the check. Mom put her hand on his arm and promised to "Pray for him." Her friends spoke up and said they would also pray for him. The trio left smiling. Mom put the check in her purse and snapped it shut. CASE CLOSED

August

First Presbyterian, Holidays in United States

Aug 2025 (Central Time - Chicago)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
	2pm - Bible Study		9am - Bible study		John Clark	12pm - Al-Anon
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Communion	2pm - Bible Study		Rick Drennan 9am - Bible study			12pm - Al-Anon
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Peggy Rounseville	2pm - Bible Study		9am - Bible study			12pm - Al-Anon
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Family lunch	2pm - Bible Study		9am - Bible study			12pm - Al-Anon
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	Cross & Crown due 2pm - Bible Study		9am - Bible study			12pm - Al-Anon
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Labor Day Office Closed					12pm - Al-Anon