

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*unison*)

Loving God, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions – signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us – Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## SENDING FORTH TO BE GOD’S PEOPLE

\* HYMN OF COMMITMENT 621

*For The Healing Of The Nations*

\* CHARGE & BENEDICTION

\* CHORAL BENEDICTION (*all sing twice*)

Go now in peace; go now in peace! May the love of God surround you everywhere, everywhere you may go!

### Calendar of Events

#### Monday, 11/11

1:00 pm Canasta Group—DH

#### Wednesday, 11/13

7:00 pm Choir—CR

8:15 pm Handbell Practice—S

#### Communion Sunday, 11/17

8:30 am United Methodist Worship Service —S

9:50 am Choir Rehearsal—S

9:30 am Morning Bible Study

10:30 am Worship—S

### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN PRAYS FOR:

**PRAYERS FOR OUR MEMBERS:** Tom Copple Family, Garry & Roberta Grau, Peggy Burger, Brenda & Robert Long.

**PRAYERS FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS :** Mavis Whitten's great niece, Kacie McDaniel. FPC friend, John Marks, Mavis Whitten's friend, Judy Brunner. Tina Zarate friend of Pam Davidson. Friends of Vicki Ball, Tom & Jenny Hines. FPC Nursery teacher, Lupe Yanez. Friends of Aislinn King, Carol. FPC Scholar Singer Gaby Jaime's grandparent, Joe Garcia. Paul Vega, a friend of Yolanda Garcia's son. Laura Nurse, daughter of Mary Massingill. Stephanie, a friend of Karen Copple.

**THOSE GRIEVING:** Alexa Brown on the death of her mother, Joan Helgeland.

Prayers for this church in transition.

*Many thanks to the congregational care team for their ministries of care, including updating prayer concerns.*

### WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY:

*Minister of Word and Sacrament: The Rev. Dr. Robert Reno*

*Liturgist: Jay McKay*

*Director of Music: Alexa Brown*

*Pianist: Duo Zhang*

*Violist: Marian Herrero*

*Handbells: Brianna Brady, Yiru Chen, Madison Hanson, Madilyn Sallee, Katie Stokes, Karen Wood*



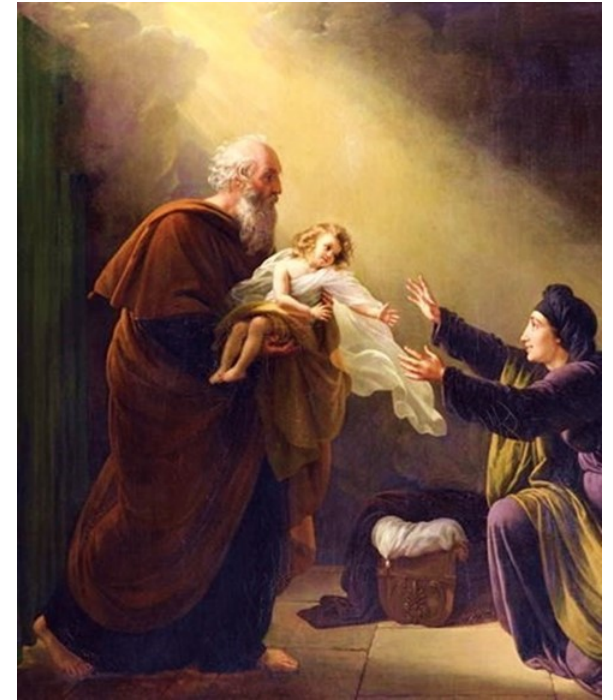
# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN LUBBOCK

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 10, 2024 10:30 AM

*As a church family, we strive to connect people to God and to one another as we follow Christ.*



“Elijah Resuscitating the Son of the Widow of Zarephath”

by Louis Hersent (1819) Oil on canvas

Algiers, Musee des Beaux-Arts

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# GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS JULIE BESSEMER

PRELUDE *Joy Bells* SHARON ELERY ROGERS

\* CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsively*) JAY MCKAY

People of God, let us worship the living God today!

**Remember that out of nothing  
God created the heavens and the earth.**

Remember that God raised Jesus from the  
powerlessness of death.

**Remember that God raised Jesus  
to sit at his right hand in the kingdom to come.**

Remember that not even the gates of hell can stand  
against the love of God.

**Behold our God! Let us worship him  
in truth and in honor!**

\* HYMN OF PRAISE 2 *O Worship The King*

CALL TO CONFESSION

This is the message that we have heard from him and  
declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness  
at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet  
walk in darkness, we lie and do not live in the truth.  
But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have  
fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus  
purifies us from all sin. In the strength of this  
assurance, let us confess our sins to God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

**God of birth, God of joy, God of life, we come to you  
as a people hungry for good news. We have been so  
dead to miracles that we have missed the world's  
rebirth. We have preoccupied ourselves with  
pleasures and have overlooked the joy you offer us.  
We have been so concerned with making a living  
that we have missed the life you set among us.  
Forgive us, gracious God. Open our eyes and our  
hearts to receive your gift; open our lips and hands  
to share it with all humanity in the name of our  
Savior, Jesus Christ. (*Please continue in silent prayer.*)**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON THE REV. DR. ROBERT RENO

My friends, can a woman forget her nursing child, or  
show no compassion for the child of her womb? As  
a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you,  
says the Lord. Hear this good news and believe it:  
In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven!

**Thanks be to God!**

The peace of God be with you all.

**And also with you!**

Let us offer signs of peace and reconciliation.

\* PASS THE PEACE

\* GLORIA 145 *Glory Be to God, Creator*

## PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*unison*)

**Come, Holy Spirit: Inspire our lives with your  
light and fire.**

**Come, Holy Spirit: Anoint us with your  
bounteous spiritual gifts.**

**Come, Holy Spirit: Speak to us through your  
timeless Word today.**

**We pray in the name of Jesus, our Lord.  
Amen.**

FIRST LESSON I KINGS 17: 8-24

HANDBELL MEDITATION HAVERGAL, ARR. BEARD  
*The Lord's My Shepherd*

SECOND LESSON LUKE 7: 11-17

SERMON "William Robert, Jr." REV. ROBERT RENO

CHORAL MEDITATION RUSSELL FLOYD  
*Lord, Make Me An Instrument Of Thy Peace*

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*unison*)

**We believe that the eternal Father of our Lord  
Jesus Christ – who out of nothing created heaven  
and earth and everything in them, who still  
upholds and rules them by his eternal counsel  
and providence – is our God and Father because  
of Christ the Son. We trust God so much that we**

**do not doubt he will provide whatever we need for  
body and soul, and will turn to our good whatever  
adversity he sends upon us in this sad world. God is  
able to do this because he is almighty God and  
desires to do this because he is a faithful Father.**

*from THE HEIDELBERG CATECHISM*

\* CALL TO PRAYER 451 *Be Still, My Soul*

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.**

## GIVING THANKS TO GOD

*In grateful response to all that God has done for us in  
Jesus Christ, we continue our worship as we present our  
tithes and offerings.*

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

With thankfulness, we give in gratitude and joy. With  
prayerfulness, we give in sacrifice and love. With  
hopefulness, we give in commitment to God. Let us  
receive the morning offering.

OFFERTORY

JOSEPH MARTIN

*We Have Heard The Shepherd's Song*

\* DOXOLOGY (*unison*)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God all creatures here below,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts.  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts.  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**