

11:00 a.m.

I am the
GOOD
SHEPHERD.

I know
my own and
my own
know me ...

John 10:14, ESV

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Fort Stockton, Texas

11:00 a.m., April 21, 2024

ORGANIST:	Doni Whigham
MUSIC LEADER:	Ken Ripley
LITURGIST:	Renee Bruno
SOUND AND VIDEO:	David Garrison
COMMISSIONED RULING ELDER:	Ann Hurt
TEACHING ELDER:	Dr. James R. Miles
LEAD ACOLYTE:	
ACOLYTES:	

THE PRELUDE:

The light of Christ precedes us and awaits us as we worship.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THE JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE PEOPLE:

INTROIT NO.171: “The King of Love My Shepherd Is”

Presbyterian Hymnal

***THE CALL TO WORSHIP:**

UNISON:

Leader: We come to God, our holy shepherd, as we come to a green meadow.

All: God prepares a place for us, and we give glory in God’s presence.

Leader: How excellent is this dwelling place under the eyes of God’s care.

All: We turn to God in joy. Our good shepherd provides for all our needs.

A TIME OF PRAISE AND ADORATION:

HYMN NO. 420 “God of Grace and God of Glory”

Presbyterian Hymnal

*** A CALL TO CONFESSION**

*** THE CONFESSION OF SIN:**

SILENT PRAYER

UNISON: Providing God, in our journey of faithfulness, we graze in the pastures you lead us to each day. As we move along, our steps may seem aimless, yet you keep watch and never leave. When we are tired, you prepare for us a table. When we are thirsty, your cup of goodness and mercy overflows. When we are lost, you seek us out. And oh, how our hearts leap when you call to us, for we know your voice and feel your love. Dearest God, we are so grateful that your staff of righteousness leads us home. **Amen.**

*** THE KYRIE ELEISON.** “Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.”

***THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON:**

LEADER: Friends, hear and believe the good news of the gospel.

PEOPLE: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*** THE GLORIA PATRI NO. 579** “Glory Be to the Father”

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.

UNISON READING: Psalm 23

Pew Bible, pp.617

CALL TO PRAYER NO. 726 “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

Songs of Faith and Praise

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, LISTENING FOR GOD, AND OUR 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.

RESPONSE: "Amen"

MINUTE FOR MISSION:

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY:

*** THE DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

CHILDREN'S TIME:

SPECIAL MUSIC:

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

EPISTLE READING: 1 John 3: 16-24

Pew Bible, pp.292

*** HYMN NO.92** "Beneath the Cross of Jesus " *Presbyterian Hymnal*

GOSPEL READING: John 10:11-18

Pew Bible, pp.126

SERMON

*** THE CONFESSION OF FAITH:** “The Apostles’ Creed” I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. **Amen.**

*** HYMN NO. 387** “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

Presbyterian Hymnal

We bear the light of Christ into the World

BENEDICTION

*** CHORAL BENEDICTION:** “Spirit Song”

O let the Son of God enfold you with His Spirit and His love, Let Him fill your life and satisfy your soul. O let Him have the things that hold you and his spirit, like a dove, Will descend upon your life and make you whole. Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs. Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.

*** POSTLUDE:**

*** Those who are able are invited to stand.**

2024
Angie Miles
Geneva Ripley
Jimmy Stephens
CRE Ann Hurt, Trustee

2025
Wayne Dyess
Rhonda Golliher
Ken Ripley
Ken Ripley, Trustee
Sue May, Elder Emerita
Commissioned Ruling Elder: Ann Hurt

2026
Phil Chamberlain
Gail Kincaid
Natalie Kincaid
Phil Chamberlain, Trustee

The Presbyterian Women encourage you to join their text group! If you would like to be notified of upcoming events involving the PW please call Linda at the church office (336-3346) and give her your number. You will also need to download the app called Whatsapp. If you need help with that you can also ask Natalie Kincaid (719-331-3713), SuSu Dyess (940-3801) or the church office.

A Note from Theresa Wright: Thank you so much for the sweet gift to celebrate my 40th Anniversary. The folks at FPC Fort Stockton have always been a blessing to me.

Michele Huckaby will be speaking at the Sisters Conference April 26 & 27. Get with her for more information.

This year's VBS and youth celebration will be held June 10th -June 12th

***Our Food Distribution will be April 22nd at 1 p.m.
Please share and please help if you can.***

Mark your Calendars early for the VBS BBQ Fundraiser set for May 19th from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Drive thru "to go" plates available. Proceeds from this event help pay for activities such as crafts, snacks, and music for each child.

No Potluck for the month of May!

**Bank Balance in all General Fund Accounts:
Balance on February 28: \$ 405,024.97
Intake March: \$ 15,667.72
Outflows March: \$ 18,329.98
Balance on March 31: \$ 402,362.71**

Apr 2024						
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First Presbyterian Church

April 22, 2024 - April 28, 2024

MONDAY 4/22	9:00 AM Cherub's Day 1:00 PM Food Pantry
TUESDAY 4/23	
WEDNESDAY 4/24	9:00 AM Cherub's Day 5:30 PM Care Circle 7:00 PM Youth Group
THURSDAY 4/25	
FRIDAY 4/26	6:30 PM Women's Bible Study Group
SATURDAY 4/27	
SUNDAY 4/28	8:30 AM Sunday Worship 9:45 AM Focused Care Nursing Cener 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Sunday Worship: In Person, on KFST Radio, Facebook, and Youtube