

# First Presbyterian Church

OF OKLAHOMA CITY

## The Service for the Lord's Day — June 22, 2025 Second Sunday After Pentecost

A special welcome to those visiting with us today!

We are grateful for your presence with us and hope you find this time of worship to be meaningful.

When you see an asterisk \*, please rise in body or spirit, however you are comfortable.

Children are welcome in worship! A nursery is also available for infants and toddlers in Room 119.

## We Gather to Worship

**PRELUDE** 

Air from the Serenade for Orchestra

E. J. Moeran

WORDS OF WELCOME, CHURCH LIFE

**CHIME** 

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Sing a new song to God, all the earth.

People: Bless God's holy name from day to day.

Leader: God is doing marvelous works among us.

People: Let all voices declare the glory of God.

Leader: Our God is to be praised.

People: Let us turn away from all distractions to worship God.

All: Let us worship God.

\*HYMN 69

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

HERE I AM (Schutte)

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison)

Nancy Myer

Holy God, you have so made us that we cannot live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from your mouth. Give us a hunger for your Word, and in that food satisfy our daily need; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

## 69

# I, the Lord of Sea and Sky



The stanzas here need to be understood as representing the voice of God, while the refrain (based on Isaiah 6:8) is the faithful human response to God's call. This becomes clearer if a leader or small group sings the stanzas, with the congregation joining on the refrain.

your peo - ple in my

I will hold

me.

lead

heart.

#### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all people, forgive us for claiming to be Christians with our voices when our faith is so shallow and our good works so limited. We have not dared to trust you fully. We have not expected your promises to be fulfilled among us. We have not accepted the freedom that is ours in Christ Jesus. O God, forgive us and draw us closer to you. (silent confession)

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Not an easy peace,

not an insignificant peace, not a half-hearted peace, but the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ is with us now.

Amen. Thanks be to God.

Let us share it with one another.

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE 582 Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

GLORY TO GOD (Vasile)

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

### We Proclaim God's Word

DISCOVERY TIME Children are invited forward for a special message. Cyndi Lockwood

Children seated on the Chancel steps will be in view of the livestream image;

those on the floor facing the steps will not.

Afterwards, a nursery is provided in Room 119 for children four and under.

Children—5 years old to 4th grade—are invited to attend Children's Church in Room 215.

Parents may pick up children after worship from Room 215 or Room 119 for the nursery.

#### 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.

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**SCRIPTURE READING** 

Isaiah 65:1-9 (pg. 695)

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

**REST** 

#### Jennifer Coffman, mezzo-soprano

I heard the voice of Jesus say: "Come unto me and rest; lay down, thou weary one, lay down thy head upon my breast."

I came to Jesus as I was, weary, worn, and sad; I found in Him a resting place, and He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say: "Behold, I freely give the living water, thirsty one, stoop down, and drink, and live."

I came to Jesus, and I drank of that lifegiving stream; My thirst was quench'd, my soul reviv'd, and now I live in Him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say: "I am this dark world's Light; Look unto me, thy morn shall rise, and all thy day be bright."

I look'd to Jesus, and I found In Him my star, my sun; And in that Light of life I'll walk till trav'ling days are done.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 8:26-39 (pg. 68)

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON Rev. John McKinnon

## We Respond to God's Word

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - Confession of Belhar 10.7, Titus 2:11

Leader: Please stand if you are comfortable doing so and join me in reading a brief statement of faith.

All: We believe

Leader: that God has revealed himself as the one who wishes to bring about justice and true peace among people;

All: We believe

Leader: that God, in a world full of injustice and enmity, is in a special way the God of the destitute, the poor and the wronged;

All: We believe

Leader: that God calls the church to follow him in this; for God brings justice to the oppressed and gives bread to the hungry; frees the prisoner and restores sight to the blind;

All: We believe

Leader: that God wishes to teach the church to do what is good and to seek the right;

All: We believe

Leader: that the church must therefore stand by people in any form of suffering and need, which implies, among other things, that the church must witness against and strive against any form of injustice, so that justice may roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

All: The grace of God has dawned upon the world with healing for all humankind.

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

\*HYMN 169

# 169 Dear Lord and Father of Mankind



\*Or "Dear Lord, Creator good and kind"

These stanzas were carved into a hymn from a much longer poem describing a frenzied ritual by an obscure sect in India, but they culminate in a reference to 1 Kings 19:11–12 that celebrates silence (as befits a Quaker poet). This tune was created especially for these words.

#### **OFFERING**

#### CALL FOR THE OFFERING

(Collection plates are located by the doors as you exit the Sanctuary.)

**OFFERTORY** 

*Jig from the 14<sup>th</sup> Harpsichord Suite* 

G. F. Handel

\*DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Amen.

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### We Go in God's Name

\*HYMN 793 O Christ, the Healer ERHALT UNS, HERR

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Festival Toccata Percy E. Fletcher

## Today

### **Sunday School Classes**

- Evergreen | Room B-14 (9:30 a.m.)
- New Beginnings | Fireside Room (9:30 a.m.)
- Builders | Room B-8 (9:45 a.m.)
- High School | Youth Lounge (9:45 a.m.)

### Coffee & Cookies Fellowship | 9:30-10:55 a.m.

Coffee, cookies, and fellowship are available in the Reception Center every Sunday before worship!

Sunday Worship | 11:00 a.m.

Give to FPC today!





Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This prayer for wholeness of body, mind, and spirit considers not only the infirmities of individuals but also those of localities, societies, and nations. In the midst of such widespread need, worshiping communities are called to continue Christ's healing work in the world.

### **New FPC-OKC Podcast**

We're excited to announce the launch of our brand-new podcast, available now on Spotify, Apple Podcasts, and anywhere else you listen! Thanks to the vision and dedication of Jeff Morava, who has put in countless hours to bring this project to life, listeners can now access weekly sermons from Pastor John McKinnon, as well as sacred music selections featuring organist John Edwards and music director Puffer Jones.

Whether you missed a Sunday or want to revisit a favorite message or song, we invite you to tune in and share with friends and family. Subscribe on Spotify or search FPCOKC wherever you listen!

## **Upcoming Events**

### Individual Prayer & Evensong Worship — Wednesdays | 5:00 & 5:30 p.m.

The Sanctuary is open on Wednesdays for individual meditation and prayer at 5:00 p.m., followed by an Evensong service from 5:30–6:00 p.m. Evensong is a short worship service, featuring sung psalms, readings, and prayers, offering a period of respite and contemplation after the workday, to help transition into the restful night.

After the service, we'll have a time of fellowship in the Reception Center from 6:00-6:30 p.m.

### Free Yoga Class — Wednesdays | 6:00 p.m.

Our Free Yoga Class is available weekly on Wednesdays! Angela Rose leads the hour-long class in the Rec Room in the basement. All skill levels are welcome.

### Mini Patriotic Concert — Sunday, July 6 | End of 11:00 a.m. Worship

On Sunday, July 6, join us for a Mini Patriotic Concert featuring the talents of Linda Millier Bosteels, John L. Edwards, and Dr. Warren Puffer Jones. At the end of our morning worship service, we'll enjoy a musical experience that will stir your patriotic spirit. Mark your calendar for this inspiring celebration filled with familiar tunes!

### Back-to-School Lunch — Sunday, July 6 | 12:15 p.m.

Save the date for our Back-to-School Lunch! We will be collecting school supplies and monetary donations in support of The Urban Mission.

Needed items: markers, index cards, crayons, folders with brads, washable glue, #2 pencils, colored pencils, glue sticks, composition notebooks, erasers, wide-ruled spiral notebooks, rulers, wide-ruled notebook paper, and highlighters.

Menu: Strawberry Balsamic Chicken, Strawberry Salad, Pasta Salad, and Strawberry Shortcake

### MORE EVENTS ON BACK

### Deacons Out & About: OKC Comets—Saturday, August 2 | 7:05 p.m.

Join the Deacons for a baseball game in August! We're heading to watch the OKC Comets play the Salt Lake Bees on Saturday, August 2, at 7:05 p.m.

**Tickets are FREE** and come with a dinner (burgers and hot dogs) and baseball hat at the stadium. You can meet us at Bricktown Ballpark (2 S. Mickey Mantle Dr., OKC, OK 73104) or ride the shuttle from the church, leaving at 5:30 p.m.

Sign up at <u>tinyurl.com/DeaconsBaseball25</u> or by calling the church office. The deadline to sign up is July 7.

### VBS Kickoff Field Trip — Sunday, July 13 | 1:30 p.m.

To kick off our Vacation Bible School adventure, we're taking a field trip to Science Museum Oklahoma on Sunday, July 13, two weeks before VBS begins. Grab lunch after church and meet us at the museum at 1:30 p.m.

### Vacation Bible School — Sundays, July 27-August 24 | 9:45-10:55 a.m.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, July 27, for the first Sunday of Vacation Bible School! This year we will be discovering the bigness of God in the smallest of things through our *Magnified* series. VBS will take place over five Sundays, beginning July 27 and ending August 24.