



First Presbyterian Church
OF OKLAHOMA CITY

**A Service of Witness to the Resurrection
and in Celebration of the Life of**

Lynn Gaylan Adams

January 26, 1942 – June 26, 2026

July 2, 2026 | 11:00 a.m.

Sanctuary

We are grateful for your presence with us and hope you find this time of worship and celebration of Gaylan's life to be meaningful. When you see an asterisk *, please rise in body or spirit, however you are comfortable. Following worship, the congregation is invited to greet the family in Watchorn Hall.

We Gather to Worship

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

WHAT WE BELIEVE ABOUT DEATH

The very center of the gospel focuses upon the victory over death by God in Jesus Christ. As his followers, we are convinced that we share that victory over the grave. We affirm that at death, the believer lives in the presence of God, who is the eternal home. Nothing, not even death, can separate us from the love of God in Christ. So, death is not the end; rather, it is the beginning of a fuller existence which will be completed in the resurrection of the body. This hope is never based upon our worth, but only upon the graciousness of God.

Therefore, in the Presbyterian tradition, a funeral is a worship service to God. We gather here to mourn, to confess our faith in a living Savior, to honor our grief, and to recall our profound gladness and solemn joy in Christ our living Lord.

PRELUDE

STATEMENT OF CHRISTIAN HOPE

***ENTRANCE OF THE FAMILY**

***CALL TO WORSHIP - Psalm 116:8-9, 12-15**

Leader: For you have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

People: I walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

Leader: What shall I return to the Lord for all his bounty to me?

People: I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.

Leader: I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people.

All: Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his faithful ones.

Let us worship God!

***HYMN 840**

When Peace Like a River

VILLE DU HAVRE

WORDS OF WELCOME

IN REMEMBRANCE

Mike Anderson

SOLO

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

I'M GONNA LIVE

Marina Quintanilla, mezzo-soprano

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THANKSGIVING

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life, making us part of the body of Christ. We confess that we remain preoccupied with ourselves, separated from sisters and brothers in Christ. In your loving kindness, have mercy on us and free us from sin. Remind us of the promises you make in baptism so that we may rise to new life and live together in grace. Amen.

***DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

We Proclaim God's Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READINGS

Psalm 16:1-3, 5-9, 11

Matthew 22:34-40; 1 Corinthians 15:49-54

ANTHEM

How Great Thou Art

HOW GREAT THOU ART

Mark and Krista Myers

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 5:13-16

SERMON

Living on Ready

Rev. John McKinnon

SOLO

Amazing Grace

AMAZING GRACE

Puffer Jones, baritone

840 When Peace like a River

It Is Well with My Soul

1 When peace like a riv - er at - tend - eth my way, when
 2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let
 3 He lives: O the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought. My
 4 Lord, has - ten the day when our faith shall be sight, the

sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll, what - ev - er my lot, thou hast
 this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, that Christ hath re - gard - ed my
 sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross and I
 clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trum - pet shall sound and the

taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.
 help - less es - tate, and hath shed his own blood for my soul.
 bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
 Lord shall de - scend; e - ven so it is well with my soul.

Refrain

It is well with my soul;
 It is well with my soul;

This text is a remarkable expression of faith born of grief. The author, an active Presbyterian layman who had just lost four daughters in a tragic shipwreck, wrote it while sailing to Paris to meet his wife, who had survived. The tune was named for the ship that sank.

TRUSTING IN THE PROMISES OF GOD

it is well; it is well with my soul.

The image shows a musical score for two voices, likely soprano and alto, in a minor key. The title is "TRUSTING IN THE PROMISES OF GOD". The lyrics are "it is well; it is well with my soul." The music is written on two staves. The top staff uses a treble clef and the bottom staff uses a bass clef. The key signature has three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The melody is simple and consists of eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are placed below the notes.

We Respond to God's Word

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND SUPPLICATION

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Romans 8:37-39

In all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

*COMMENDATION

Into your hands, O merciful Savior,
we commend your servant,
Lynn Gaylan Adams.
Acknowledge, we humbly pray,
a sheep of your own fold,
a lamb of your own flock,
a sinner of your own redeeming.
Receive him into the arms of your mercy,
into the blessed rest of everlasting peace,
and into the glorious company of the saints in light.

*HYMN 611

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY

*BLESSING

*RECESSIONAL

Stars and Stripes Forever

Linda Millier Bosteels, piccolo

Following worship, the family will greet worshipers in Watchorn Hall.
Those who wish to attend are welcome to join the family for the Service of Committal.

Service of Committal | 2:00 p.m.
Memorial Park Cemetery
(13400 N Kelley Ave, Oklahoma City, OK 73131)

In lieu of flowers, gifts may be made to
First Presbyterian Church of Oklahoma City Memorial Fund or
Free to Live Animal Sanctuary (P.O. Box 5884, Edmond, OK 73083).

611 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee; earth and heaven re-lect thy rays;
 3 Mor-tals, join the hap-py cho-rus which the morn-ing stars be-gan.

Hearts un-fold like flowers be-fore thee, o-pening to the sun a - bove.
 stars and an-gels sing a-round thee, cen-ter of un-bro-ken praise.
 Love di-vine is reign-ing o'er us, join-ing all in heav-en's plan.

Melt the clouds of sin and sad-ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way.
 Field and for-est, vale and moun-tain, flower-y mead-ow, flash - ing sea,
 Ev - er sing-ing, march we on-ward, vic - tors in the midst of strife.

Giv - er of im - mor-tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day.
 chant - ing bird and flow-ing foun-tain, call us to re - joice in thee.
 Joy - ful mu - sic leads us sun-ward in the tri-umph song of life.

This well-known melody was created to provide a choral setting for J. C. F. von Schiller's poem, "An die Freude" ("To Joy"), as the final movement of the composer's *Ninth Symphony*. The author, a prominent Presbyterian pastor and author, wrote the words with this tune in mind.

Instrumentalist

Officiant

Organist

Soloists

Linda Millier Bosteels

Rev. John C. McKinnon

Mr. John L. Edwards

Dr. Warren Puffer Jones

Mark and Krista Myers

Marina Quintanilla