

First Presbyterian Church

OF OKLAHOMA CITY

The Service for the Lord's Day — July 13, 2025 Fifth 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 Introspection Richard Purvis

WORDS OF WELCOME, CHURCH LIFE

FIRST CHIME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God calls together a divine council to render judgment.

People: Who can stand before the judgments of God? How shall we know what God expects of us?

Leader: Lift up your prayers for God's mercy. Earnestly seek to know the ways of truth and salvation

All: Let us worship God!

*HYMN 41 O Worship th

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above

LYONS

*PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison)

Suzanne Baxter

Bless us, O God, with a reverent sense of your presence, that we may be at peace and may worship you with all our mind and spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*CALL TO CONFESSION



Addressing the first two stanzas to the singers of the hymn and the last three to God, this free paraphrase of Psalm 104 recasts the psalmist's imagery with baroque verve. Though it was first published in England, the tune has been more popular in North America than there.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Almighty God, we tremble with the knowledge that you know all our thoughts and deeds and judge them by your perfect will. We confess that we are not bold to protest the evil around us that seems to go unpunished. We pass by many who suffer, as if their suffering were no concern of ours. The practice of our faith is without inspiration. We are troubled when we see ourselves this way. Redeem us, O God! (silent confession)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*PASSING OF THE PEACE Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts.

To this peace we are called as members of a single body.

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

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

GLORY TO GOD (Vasile)

(hymn 762)

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.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 25:1-10 (pg. 502)

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

SOLO When the Poor Ones EL CAMINO

Puffer Jones, baritone; John L. Edwards, alto flute

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 10:25-37 (pg. 71)

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

SERMON Rev. John C. McKinnon

We Respond to God's Word

*AFFIRMATION 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 the 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 741 Guide My Feet GUIDE MY FEET

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

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

OFFERTORY LAND OF REST Dale Wood

*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 707 Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord HALL

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Lord, Revive Us Gilbert M. Martin

Give to FPC today!





- 2 Hold my hand ...
- 3 Stand by me ...
- 4 I'm your child ...
- 5 Search my heart ...
- 6 Guide my feet ...

This African American spiritual is based on the imagery of "the race that is set before us" in Hebrews 12:1–2. Its call-and-response structure allows for the improvisation and addition of stanzas related to an athletic metaphor that is as vivid today as it was centuries ago.

707 Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord



This hymn began with the tune, which the composer hummed to the author with a request for a text that would challenge the hearts and minds of young people. The text of the first three stanzas was written that day, and the fourth stanza later emerged at a youth conference.

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.

Upcoming Events

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.

VBS Kickoff Field Trip — Sunday, July 27 | 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 27, the week before VBS begins.

Grab lunch after church and meet us at the museum at 1:30 p.m.

Vacation Bible School — Sundays, August 3-August 31 | 9:45-10:55 a.m.

Join us on Sunday, August 3, 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 August 3 and ending August 31.