



First Presbyterian Church OF OKLAHOMA CITY

The Service for the Lord's Day — October 18, 2026

21st 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

Fantasy on HYFRYDOL (hymn 260)

arr. Mark Thallander

WORDS OF WELCOME, CHURCH LIFE

STEWARDSHIP

Larry Nichols

CHIME

INTROIT

God Welcomes All

THEMBA AMEN

Sanctuary Singers

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

People: God's steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Give thanks to God for the faith we share;

People: be steadfast in hope through Jesus Christ.

All: Let us worship God!

***HYMN 681**

This Is the Day the Lord Hath Made

NUN DANKET ALL' UND BRINGET EHR'

***PRAYER OF THE DAY** (Unison)

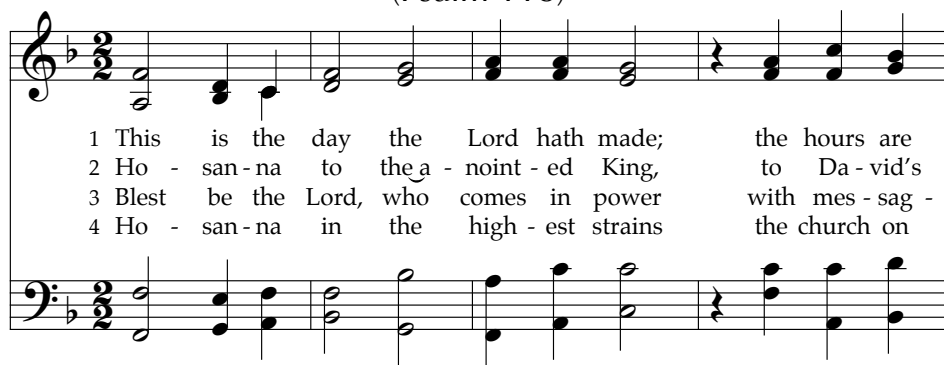
Danny Olvera

Creator of all, you have called us and chosen us to be your people. By the power of your Holy Spirit may we bear witness with joy and conviction to the good news of Jesus Christ. Amen.

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

681 This Is the Day the Lord Hath Made

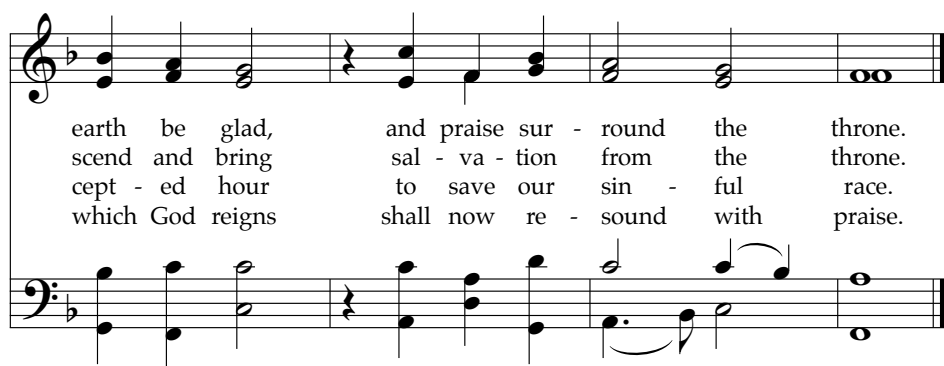
(Psalm 118)



1 This is the day the Lord hath made; the hours are
 2 Ho - san - na to the a - noint - ed King, to Da - vid's
 3 Blest be the Lord, who comes in power with mes - sag -
 4 Ho - san - na in the high - est strains the church on



all God's own. Let heaven re - joice; let
 ho - ly Son! Help us, O Lord; de -
 es of grace, who comes in this ac -
 earth can raise! The high - est heavens in



earth be glad, and praise sur - round the throne.
 scend and bring sal - va - tion from the throne.
 cept - ed hour to save our sin - ful race.
 which God reigns shall now re - sound with praise.

These stanzas provide Watts's paraphrase of Psalm 118:24-29 (minus a stanza he inserted about Easter and Pentecost as part of his effort to Christianize the Psalms). They are set to a tune composed for and named by a Paul Gerhardt text, "Now Let All Thank and Bring Honor."

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)**

Merciful God, you created us in your image, stamping your very likeness upon our souls. Yet, we confess that we often give our allegiance to the wrong kingdoms. We spend our lives chasing the currency of this world—seeking the approval of others, the accumulation of wealth, and the security of earthly powers. Forgive us for trying to separate our daily lives from your Lordship. Forgive us for compartmentalizing our faith, giving the world our best efforts while offering you only the leftovers of our time, talents, and resources. Restore us, Holy Spirit. Remind us to whom we truly belong. Help us to gladly render our lives, our love, and our whole hearts back to you. (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)

*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 those locations.

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.

ANTHEM

Be Still

Mary McDonald

Sanctuary Singers

Herb Frombach

Be still and know that I am God. Be still and know that I am with you. Be still and know that I will comfort you when you come to Me in your hour of need. Be still and know that I am God. Be still and know that I am here for you; and I will wipe your tears; you will be renewed. Come unto Me, My child, be still, and know that I will give you rest. I am present in your pain and I always will remain your Comforter and Friend. Peace I leave with you; My peace, I give unto you.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 22:15–22 (pg. 24)

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

SOLO

Firm Foundation (He Won't)

Cody Carnes, Austin Davis

Sarah Gwatney, mezzo-soprano

and Chandler Moore

Christ is my firm foundation, the rock on which I stand. When everything around me is shaken, I've never been more glad that I put my faith in Jesus, 'cause He's never let me down. He's faithful through generations, so why would He fail now? He won't. I've still got joy in chaos. I've got peace that makes no sense. So I won't be going under. I'm not held by my own strength, 'cause I've built my life on Jesus. He's never let me down. He's faithful in every season, so why would He fail now? He won't, he won't fail. Rain came and wind blew, but my house was built on You. I'm safe with You, I'm going to make it through, 'cause I'm standing strong on You. I'm going to make it through, 'cause my house is built on You.

SERMON

Taxes!

Rev. John C. McKinnon

We Respond to God's Word

REAFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT FOR THOSE UNITING WITH A CONGREGATION

Brinley & David Munro, Steven Scott, and Tate Vaught

INTRODUCTION

PRESENTATION

RENUNCIATIONS

*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.**

LAYING ON OF HANDS

PRAYER

WELCOME

Pastor: Let us welcome Brinley, David, Steven, and Tate as they join us in the worship and mission of the church.

All: With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you to share with us in the ministry of Christ, for we are all one in Him.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Help for Hope

Richard Hatcher

Help for Today, Hope for Tomorrow

OFFERING

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

St. Cuthbert

Healey Willan

*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, Alleluia. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We Go in God's Name

*HYMN 307

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

God of Grace, Op. 14

Paul Manz

**Give to
FPC today!**



SCAN ME

307 God of Grace and God of Glory

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple
 2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as -
 3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils

pour thy power; crown thine an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry; bring its
 sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us free our
 thy con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in
 we de - plore. Let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our

bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
 for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
 lest we miss thy king - dom's goal, lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.
 serv - ing thee whom we a - dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

This stirring hymn used at the opening of Riverside Church in New York in 1930 was penned by its widely-known and influential pastor, and it has gained a firm place in English-language hymnals around the world. The Welsh tune name honors the Rhondda Valley in Glamorganshire.

THE URBAN MISSION PRESENTS

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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.)
- Youth | Room B-10 (9:45 a.m.)
- Children | Room 213 (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!

Sanctuary Worship | 11:00 a.m.

Deacons Out & About | 1:30 p.m.

Join us for Deacons Out & About as we tour the Oklahoma City National Memorial & Museum. We will meet near the Reflecting Pool shortly before 1:30 p.m. for a brief presentation, followed by a self-guided tour of the museum.

Church Under the Bridge | 2:00 p.m.

We're serving food and helping Church Under the Bridge during their weekly Sunday service. Church Under the Bridge's vision is to restore hope to the homeless and hurting.

Get Your Ballot Notarized

You can get your absentee ballot notarized before or after service in the Reception Center.

Notarization will be available on Sundays before the November 3 General Election.

Contact Jean Nelson at jmn3925@swbell.net with any questions.

Upcoming Events

Bridge Group — Mondays | 6:00–8:00 p.m. & Wednesdays | 9:00–11:30 a.m.

We meet in Room B-10 in the basement on Mondays from 6:00–8:00 p.m. and Wednesdays from 9:00–11:30 a.m. Whether you've never played, are returning after a break, or just want to join a friendly bridge group, we've got a spot for you!

Contact Barbara Charlet at barbara.charlet@outlook.com or David Ligon at david.m.ligon@gmail.com for more information.

Evening Prayer Service — Wednesdays | 5:30 p.m.

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

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

More Events on Back

Choir Rehearsal — Wednesdays | 6:30–8:00 p.m.

The choir rehearses at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. If you are interested in joining, please contact Puffer Jones at puffer@fpcokc.org.

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.

Urban Mission's Help for Hope — Friday, October 23 | 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Join The Urban Mission for Help for Hope, an evening of food, fellowship, and support for the important work of our local mission partner. There will be dinner from Taco Empire, an open bar, and live entertainment. The evening will also include a silent auction, a Book & Bottle raffle, and artwork available for purchase from local artists.

Tickets are available through The Urban Mission at urbanmissionokc.org.

Reformation Sunday — Sunday, October 25 | 11:00 a.m.

On Reformation Sunday, we will celebrate the Protestant Reformation and its lasting influence on our Presbyterian faith and tradition. The Oklahoma Scottish Pipes and Drums will be part of this special service.

All Saints' Day — Sunday, November 1 | 11:00 a.m.

All Saints' Day is one of the year's most meaningful worship services. It is a day when we will share in the Lord's Supper, remembering with friendship, affection, and love those who have returned to God. It is a time to support those who grieve. Above all, it is a time to thank God for all the men and women who now rest from their labors and whose influence on our faith lives on in our hearts and minds.

First Sunday Lunch — Sunday, November 1 | 12:00 p.m.

After worship service, we'll gather in Watchorn Hall for fellowship and to enjoy a delicious meal prepared by Junebug Catering.

Menu: Roasted pork with cranberries, garlic mashed potatoes, roasted carrots, roasted asparagus, cranberry pecan cookies, and pumpkin chocolate chip cookies

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