

First Presbyterian Church

OF OKLAHOMA CITY

The Service for the Lord's Day — October 20, 2024 22nd 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.

We Gather to Worship

PRELUDE Rondeau Jean Joseph Mouret

Blackwelder Brass

Gabe Carter & Seth Seneca, trumpets; Jacob Fleury, horn Benjamin Rihner, trombone; Dalton Williams, tuba

WORDS OF WELCOME, CHURCH LIFE

DEACON'S MOMENT Wesley Howard
STEWARDSHIP Becky Osmond

CHIME

INTROIT Praise Ye the Lord LOBE DEN HERREN

Sanctuary Singers, Blackwelder Brass arr. W. P. Jones

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let your minds ponder the manifold works of God. Let your spirit soar amid the wonders of creation.

People: There is pulsating life all around us. The earth is full of God's creatures.

Leader: Sun and rain proclaim God's infinite imagination. Moon and stars sing the glory of the Eternal One.

People: It is God who shares with us wisdom and understanding. We depend on God for the gift of life.

Leader: We gather to worship and praise the God of all people. We come to learn from the God who we only dimly perceive.

People: We reach out for answers to our questions. We long to find meaning and purpose for our days.

All: Let us worship God.

*HYMN 667

When Morning Gilds the Skies

LAUDES DOMINI

*PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison)

Erica Taylor

In the name of Jesus Christ who came not to be served, but to serve, and to give life itself for us, we approach your Word with awe. We live in different times but in the same world in which Jesus ate and drank, lived, and died. We share the same baptism and have the same opportunity to know your love and serve you. Help us dare to believe and trust and live our days returning your love through the neighbors near and far who need to know your care. Amen.

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Reigning God, we confess that we, like the disciples James and John, seek places of honor, privilege, and reward. We succumb to the temptation to compare ourselves with others to our advantage. We want privilege without pain, greatness without the grind of hard work. We expect reward for our efforts. We talk about serving you, but we do not want the rank of servant. We have lots of ideas about what you might do to intervene in the world and little commitment to what we might do in your name. Forgive us and help us, gracious 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)

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.

667 When Morning Gilds the Skies



This is not just a morning hymn, though this excerpt from an English translation of an early 19th-century German text may not convey how thoroughly the original deals with different kinds of time throughout the day. The tune was composed as a setting for this English text.

We Proclaim God's Word

DISCOVERY TIME

Children are invited forward for a special message.

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

O Sing to the Lord (Psalm 98)

Brazilian folk melody

Sanctuary Singers, Blackwelder Brass

arr. W. P. Jones

Cyndi Lockwood

O sing to the Lord; O sing God a new song. O sing to our God. For God is the Lord, and God has done wonders. So dance for our God and blow all the trumpets. O shout to our God, who gave us the Spirit. For Jesus is Lord! Amen! Alleluia!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 53:4-12 (pg. 683)

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

SOLO

More Like Iesus

Brooke Ligertwood, Scott Ligertwood

Puffer Jones, baritone

Kristian Stanfill and Brett Younker

You came to the world you created, trading your crown for a cross. You willingly died. Your innocent life paid the cost. Counting your status as nothing, the King of all kings came to serve, washing my feet, covering me with your love. If more of you means less of me, take everything. Yes, all of you is all I need. Take everything. You are my life and my treasure, the one that I can't live without. Here at Your feet my desires and dreams I lay down. O Lord, change me like only you can. Here with my heart in your hands, Father, I pray, make me more like Jesus. This world is dying to know who you are. You've shown us the way to your heart. So, Father, I pray, make me more like Jesus.

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 10:35-45 (pg. 47)

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

SERMON

Tyrants vs. Servants

Rev. John 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 441 Hear the Good News of Salvation NETTLETON

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

RESPONSE Amen DANISH AMEN

Sanctuary Singers

OFFERING

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

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

OFFERTORY La fille aux cheveux de lin Claude Debussy

Blackwelder Brass

*PRESENTATION HYMN 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 634 To God Be the Glory TO GOD BE THE GLORY

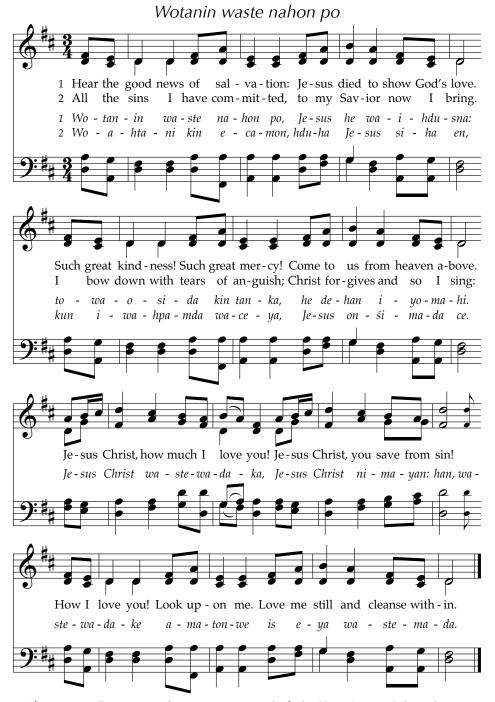
*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE My Spirit Be Joyful Johann Sebastian Bach

Blackwelder Brass

Please join us to celebrate Ken and Kay Brown's 60th anniversary! Cake and punch will be served in the parlor directly following today's worship service. All are invited.

Hear the Good News of Salvation 441



This text, originally appearing in four stanzas, was written by the first Native American Dakota to be ordained to the Presbyterian ministry and was published in the Dakota hymnal he edited. Both the Dakota and English versions have been associated with this shape note tune.



This American gospel song became popular in England in the late 19th century, then returned to this country in the mid-20th century with the Billy Graham crusades. Its continuing popularity may well be due to the freedom from subjective considerations in its praise of God.



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.)
- Middle School | 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!

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

We're headed back to serve at Church Under the Bridge during their weekly Sunday service. Church Under the Bridge's vision is to restore hope to the homeless and hurting. We'll be serving food and helping with their worship service. You can meet us in Watchorn Hall at 1:45 to carpool to the site or you can meet us at 1801 W. Reno (H I S Paint parking lot) at 2:00 p.m.

Please contact Paula Denner (405-514-9844) if you have any questions!

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. and an Evensong service from 5:30–6:00 p.m. Evensong is a short church 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 service, we'll have a time of fellowship in the Reception Center from 6:00-6:30 p.m. Choir members are welcome to arrive early and join us!

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

Our Free Yoga Class is back on Wednesdays! We'll meet in the Rec Room in the basement. Angela Rose will lead our hour-long class. All skill levels are welcome!

Choir Practice — Wednesdays | 6:30 p.m.

The choir meets on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. to practice. If you are interested in joining or have any questions, please reach out to Puffer (puffer@fpcokc.org).

Reformation Sunday – Sunday, October 27 | 11:00 a.m.

On Sunday, October 27, we will recognize the Protestant Reformation and how it has shaped who we are as Presbyterian Christians. We will celebrate the history of the Presbyterian Church on Reformation Sunday with the help of the Oklahoma Scottish Pipes and Drums and the return of our repaired pipe organ. We hope you will join us for this very special service!

Children & Youth Halloween Party — Saturday, October 26 | 6:00 p.m.

On Saturday, October 26, we'll hold our 3rd Annual Sunday School Halloween party at the home of John and Erica Taylor (2240 NW 26th Street, OKC). Wear your costume and enjoy a pizza dinner followed by fun Halloween activities! The party will conclude at 7:30 p.m. Parents are also invited to attend, eat, and enjoy fellowship.

Junk in the Trunk — Saturday, November 2 | 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Do you have "junk" you would like to sell but don't want to go through the hassle of having your own garage sale? Here is a chance to join our community-wide Junk in the Trunk sale. On Saturday, November 2, we will section off the parking lot for people to sell "junk" out of their car trunks. For \$20 you get one parking spot to sell from. You keep any money that you earn. All our profits from registrations will be given to a local charity as part of the Presbyterian Woman's mission contributions.

We will take care of the permits and advertising. All you need to do is register. We sincerely hope you can support us in this mission project by either reserving a spot or by shopping at the event.

To reserve your spot, please visit fpcokc.org/junkinthetrunk. Payment must be made when registering. Spaces are limited, so sign up ASAP!

Kemp Concert Series

Duruflé Requiem — Sunday, November 3 | 4:00 p.m.

The Kemp Concert Choir and John L. Edwards, organ, with professional soloists under the direction of conductor Warren Puffer Jones perform this beloved work of sacred music. Melodies from Gregorian chant blend with lush writing for the organ in this beloved masterpiece of sacred music. French composer and organist Maurice Duruflé sets to music texts from the Latin Requiem mass.

More details as well as the full Kemp season can be found at www.kempconcerts.org.