First Presbyterian Church
OF OKLAHOMA CITY

The Service for the Lord's Day — October 25, 2026
22nd Sunday after Pentecost
Reformation Sunday

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 — *Prelude and Fugue in C minor, BWV 549* — Johann Sebastian Bach

WORDS OF WELCOME, CHURCH LIFE
NO ONE CELEBRATES ALONE
STEWARDSHIP — Nancy Myer

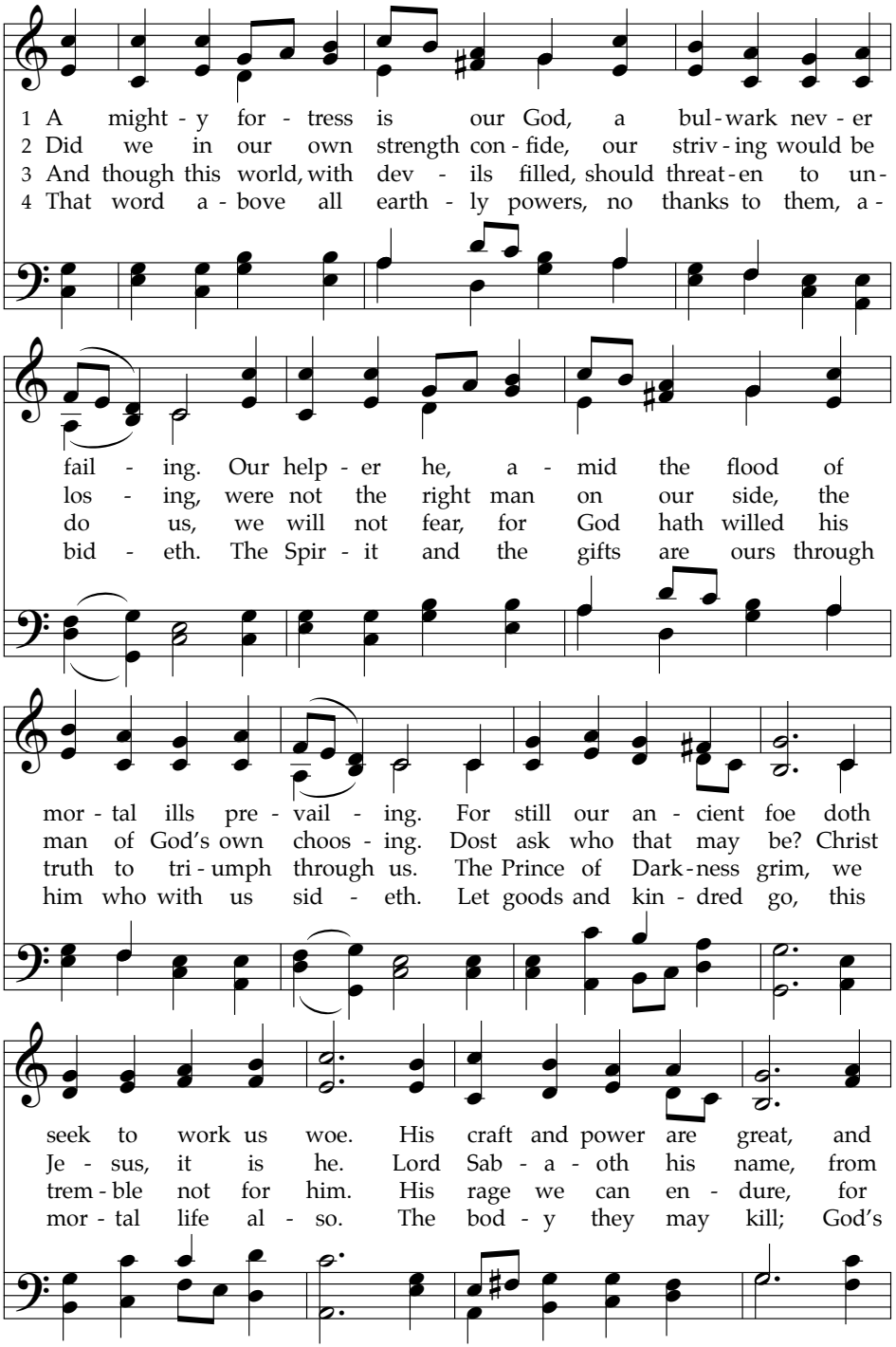
CHIME

INTROIT — *All People That on Earth Do Dwell* — OLD HUNDREDTH
Sanctuary Singers

*THE GRAND PROCESSIONAL
The Oklahoma Scottish Pipes and Drums, The Crucifer, The Bible Bearer, The Acolyte, The Beadle, The Minister, The Banner Bearer, The Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP
Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.
People: God's steadfast love endures forever.
Leader: The Lord is our eternal dwelling place;
People: from age to age, the Lord is our God.
All: Let us worship God!

*HYMN 275 — *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* — EIN' FESTE BURG
(stanza 3: organ alone)

275 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Long before Isaac Watts began to Christianize the Psalms, Martin Luther had already done so when he created the text and tune for this, his most famous hymn, which is based on Psalm 46. Luther encouraged metrical versions of psalms as well as chanted psalms and new hymns.

TEXT: Martin Luther, 1529; trans. Frederick Henry Hedge, 1852
MUSIC: Martin Luther, 1529, alt.

EIN' FESTE BURG
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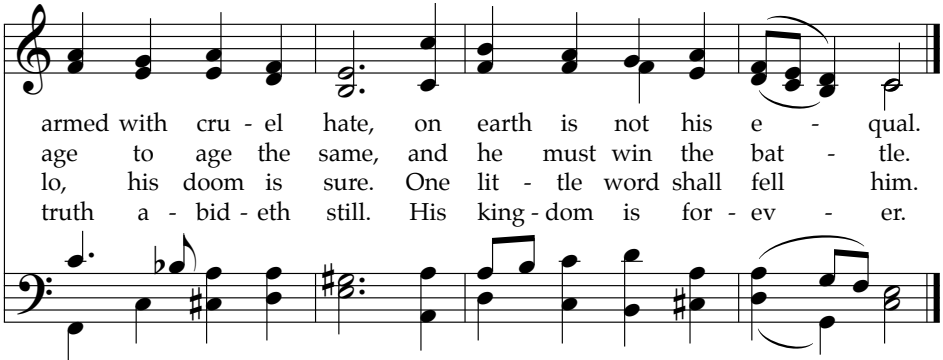
armed with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.
age to age the same, and he must win the bat - tle.
lo, his doom is sure. One lit - tle word shall fell him.
truth a - bid - eth still. His king - dom is for - ev - er.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison) Bill Hancock

Holy One, you planted us by living water, that we might be rooted in righteousness. You call us to be holy as you are holy. Assured of your love, help us to cast aside all fear, that we may love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen.

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Merciful God, you have commanded us to love you with all our heart, soul, and mind, and to love our neighbors as ourselves. We confess that our love for you is often divided, placing worldly comforts and our own desires above your will. We confess that we fail to see you in our neighbors, allowing judgment, prejudice, and apathy to govern our actions instead of compassion. Forgive us, Lord, for our half-hearted devotion and our failures to love others. Transform our hearts by your Holy Spirit so that we may fully embrace your commandments and grant us the courage to live out your love in our daily lives.

(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 581 *Gloria Patri* H. W. Greatorex

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. 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 *Love the Lord Your God* W. P. Jones

Sanctuary Singers

(Matthew 22:37-39) *"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind." This is the first and the greatest commandment. And the second is like it: "Love your neighbor as yourself."*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Leviticus 26:40-45 (pg. 114)

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

SOLO *All You Need Is Love* John Lennon, Paul McCartney

Puffer Jones, baritone

There's nothing you can do that can't be done. Nothing you can sing that can't be sung. Nothing you can say, but you can learn how to play the game—it's easy. Nothing you can make that can't be made. No one you can save that can't be saved. Nothing you can do, but you can learn how to be you in time—it's easy. All you need is love. Love is all you need. There's nothing you can know that isn't known. Nothing you can see that isn't shown. There's nowhere you can be that isn't where you're meant to be—it's easy. All you need is love. Love is all you need.

SCRIPTURE READING Philippians 1:3-11 (pg. 196)

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

SERMON *Companions in Christ* Rev. John C. McKinnon

We Respond to God's Word

*HYMN 828 *More Love to Thee, O Christ* MORE LOVE TO THEE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

RESPONSE *Amen* DANISH AMEN

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OFFERING

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY *BEATITUDO: O for a Closer Walk with God* Gordon Young

NO ONE CELEBRATES ALONE Bret Sholar

*DOXOLOGY OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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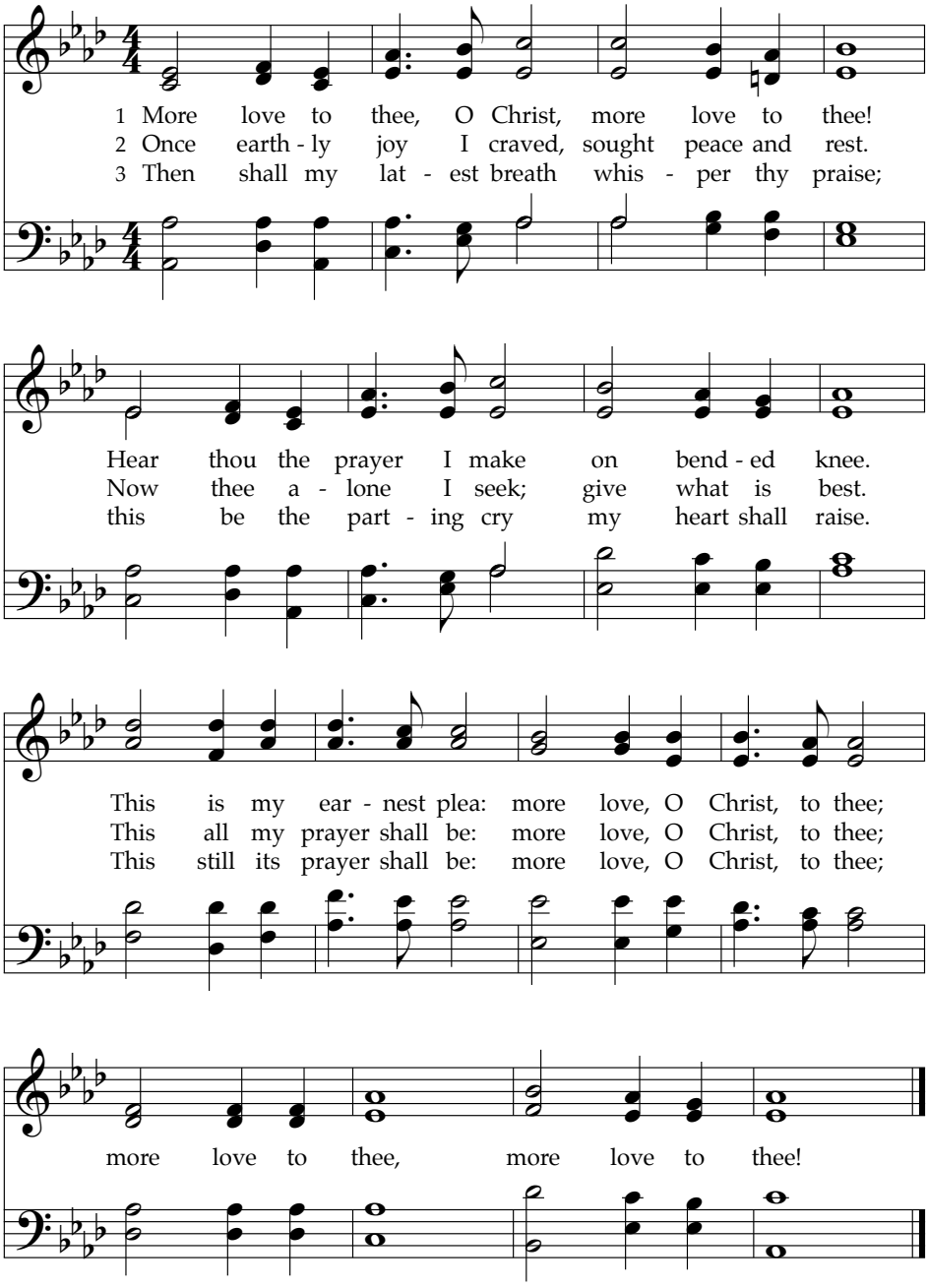

Perhaps because this prayer-poem by the wife of a leading 19th-century Presbyterian minister grew out of her own physical and emotional suffering, it has continued to speak to many people in similar distress. It is set here to the tune created for its first printing in a hymnal.

TEXT: Elizabeth Payson Prentiss, 1856
MUSIC: William Howard Doane, 1870

MORE LOVE TO THEE
6.4.6.4.6.6.4.4

We Go in God's Name

*HYMN 649 *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound* AMAZING GRACE

(stanza 3: low/bass voices; stanza 4: high/treble voices)

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RECESSIONAL *The bagpipes will lead the recessional.*

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Paul Garrett and family upon the death of Paul's mother, Elizabeth Garrett, who died on October 16, 2026. Elizabeth was our oldest church member. She turned 99 on July 5.

A visitation will be held on Friday, November 13, from 3:00–6:00 p.m. at Hahn-Cook/Street & Draper (6600 Broadway Extension, Oklahoma City, OK 73116). A Service of Witness to the Resurrection and Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, November 14, at 1:00 p.m. in the Chapel, followed by a reception in the Parlor.

Please keep Paul and the entire Garrett family in your thoughts and prayers during this time of loss.

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.

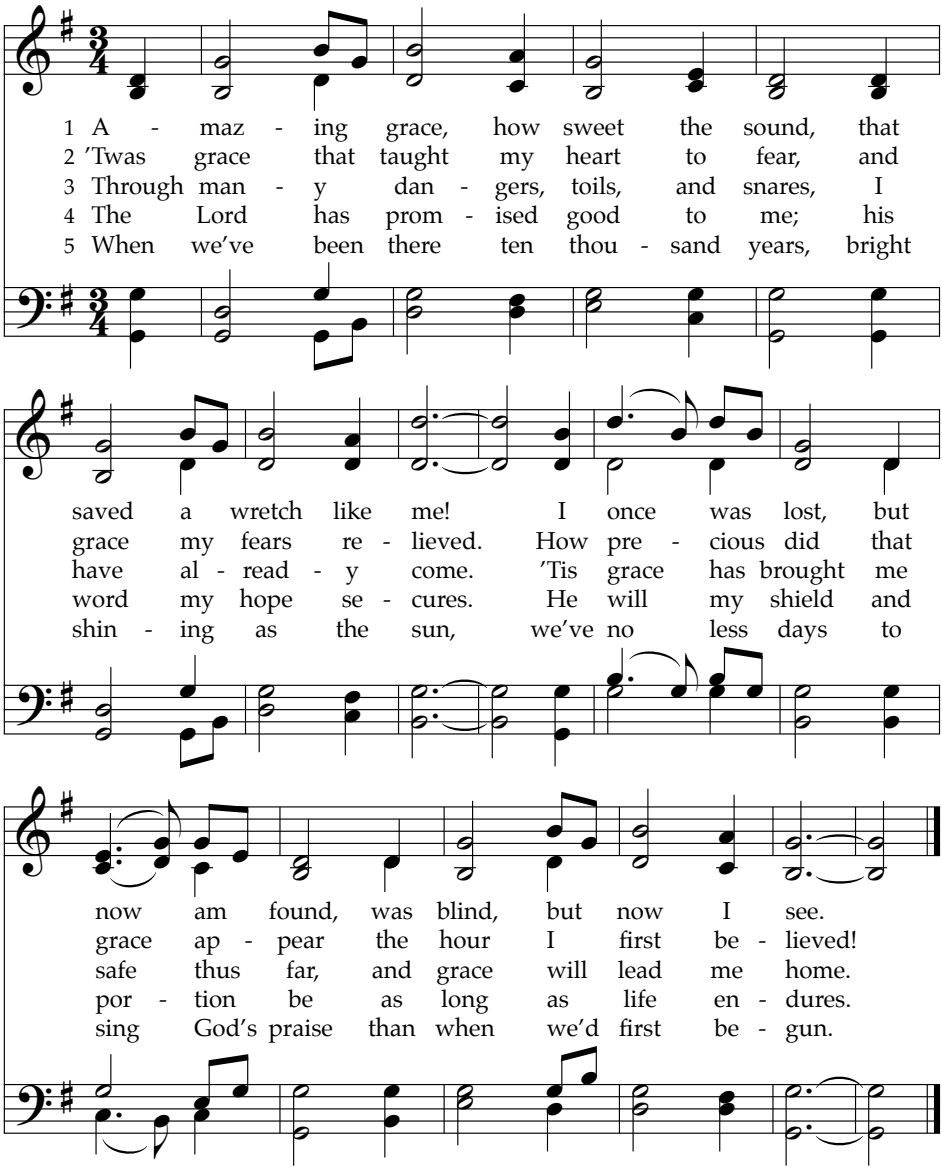
Coffee, cookies, and fellowship are available in the Reception Center every Sunday before worship!

Reformation Sunday Worship | 11:00 a.m.

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. Following worship, you are invited to follow the pipes and drums to the courtyard for a short concert.

Give to FPC today!

SCAN ME

649 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

CHOCTAW

Shilombish holitopa ma!
Ishmminti pulla cha
hatak ilbusha pia ha
is pi yukpalashke.

CREEK

Po ya fek cha he thlat ah tet
ah non ah cha pa kas
cha fee kee o funnan la kus
um e ha ta la yus.

NAVAHO

Nizhóníígo joobá diits' a'
yisdáshíítinigíí,
lah yóóiiyá, k'ad
shénáhoosdzin,
doo eesh'íí da ńt'éé.

As was his custom, the author wrote this hymn to accompany his sermon on 1 Chronicles 17:16–17, preached on January 1, 1773; he called it "Faith's Review and Expectation." Much of its current popularity comes from this now-familiar tune, an association that began in 1835.

TEXT: Stanzas 1–4, John Newton, 1772; stanza 5, *A Collection of Sacred Ballads,* 1790; Navaho, Albert Tsosie
MUSIC: *Columbian Harmony,* 1829; arr. Edwin O. Excell, 1910, alt.
AMAZING GRACE
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Phonetic Transcr. Navaho © Albert Tsosie

CHEROKEE

Ooh nay thla nah, hee oo way gee'.
E gah gwoo yah hay ee.
Naw gwoo joe sah, we you low say,
e gah gwoo yah ho nah.

KIOWA

Daw k'ee da ha dawtsahy he tsow'haw
daw k'ee da ha dawtsahy hee.
Bay dawtsahy taw, gaw aym ow thah t'aw,
daw k'ee da ha dawtsahy h'ee.

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.**

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.

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, 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

More Events on Back

Priscilla Circle Meeting — Tuesday, November 10 | 10:00 a.m.

Meeting in Room 122 on the first floor of the church.

Phoebe Circle Meeting — Tuesday, November 10 | 1:30 p.m.

Meeting at the home of Kova McLean.

Abigail Circle Meeting — Friday, November 13 | 6:00 p.m.

Meeting location TBD.

Reserve the Third — Saturday, November 14 | Coming Soon

In November, the Reserve the Third crew will serve at the Ronald McDonald House! Volunteers will help prepare and serve a meal to families of children receiving treatment at the OU Health campus, then stay afterward to assist with cleanup.

Please RSVP to Roane Pittman (johnpittmanmd@gmail.com) so he can share final details, parking information, and the number of volunteers expected.