



First Presbyterian Church OF OKLAHOMA CITY

The Service for the Lord's Day — November 1, 2026

23rd Sunday after Pentecost

All Saints' 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

Fanfare for an Angel

James Stephenson

Blackwelder Brass

Ben Failor & Tim Hosler, trumpets; Vincent Vasconcellos, horn

Brevin Hampton, trombone; Jesse Soliz, tuba

WORDS OF WELCOME, CHURCH LIFE

STEWARDSHIP

Jim Boughman

PURPLE BAGS

Holly Guadiana

CHIME

INTROIT

Praise Ye the Lord

LOBE DEN HERREN

Sanctuary Singers, Blackwelder Brass

arr. W. P. Jones

***LITANY FOR ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY**

Leader: Lord God, by your grace we are running a race.

People: **We are surrounded by a cloud of witnesses—**

Leader: Patriarchs and matriarchs, prophets and psalmists, disciples and evangelists, martyrs and saints.

People: **We thank you for their example. We praise you for their lives of faith. For all your saints, O Lord, who strove in you to live, who followed, obeyed, adored you—our grateful hymn we sing.**

Leader: Lord God, by your grace we are running a race.

People: **We are surrounded by a cloud of witnesses—**

Leader: Loved ones now resting in you, who guided us, nurtured and cared for us; ancestors who worked and traveled, lived and died that we might be who we are, where we are—your precious children in this community of believers.

People: We thank you for their example. We praise you for their lives of faith. For all your saints, O Lord, who strove in you to die, who counted you their great reward—accept our thankful cry.

Leader: Lord God, by your grace we are running a race.

People: We are surrounded by a cloud of witnesses—

Leader: Family members and members of this congregation; fellow believers in every country, every denomination; friends who help, guide and uplift us—children of your family, sheep of your fold, saints of your redeeming.

People: We thank you for their example. We praise you for their lives of faith. For this, your name we bless, and humbly pray anew, that we like them in holiness may live and die in you.

Leader: Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight of sin that clings so closely,

People: and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us,

Leader: looking to Christ, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

People: Amen.

*HYMN 326

For All the Saints

SINE NOMINE

*PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison)

Melanie Duff

God of the ages, your saints who lived in faithful service surround your throne and offer you praise and worship both night and day. May we, your saints on earth, join our voices with theirs to proclaim your rule of righteousness and peace, which comes to us through Jesus Christ now and forever. Amen.

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Gracious and Holy God, we come before you acknowledging how often we fall short of your kingdom's call. You call us to be poor in spirit, yet we so often rely on our own pride, wealth, and self-sufficiency. You tell us the meek will inherit the earth, but we push and fight for our own way, seeking power and prestige. We confess that we do not hunger and thirst for righteousness as we should. You bless the pure in heart, but our motives are frequently mixed, and our hearts are divided between loving you and loving the desires of the flesh. Forgive us for failing to be peacemakers as we harbor grudges, speak harsh words, and allow bitterness to divide us from our neighbors. Lord, have mercy on our brokenness.
(silent confession)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

For All the Saints



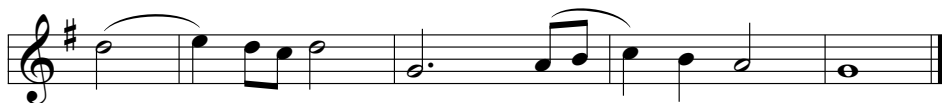
1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest, who
 2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might;
 3 O blest com - mu - nion, fel - low-ship di - vine!
 4 And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long,
 5 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through



thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
 thou, Lord, their cap - tain in the well-fought fight;
 We fee - bly strug - gle; they in glo - ry shine; yet
 steals on the ear the dis - tant tri - umph song, and
 gates of pearl streams in the count - less host,



name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.
 thou, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.
 all are one in thee, for all are thine.
 hearts are brave a - gain, and arms are strong.
 sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The broad and sweeping tune with which this hymn is so closely identified was created to be sung during a reverent but dramatic procession at the beginning of an All Saints' Day service, an enacted representation of the enduring "fellowship divine" celebrated by this text.

Harmony, stanza 3

3 O blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine!

We fee - bly strug - gle; they in glo - ry shine; yet

all are one in thee, for all are thine.

Al - le - lu - ia! to stanza 4

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

***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.

SOLO *O Lord, You Are My God and King* JERUSALEM
The congregation is invited forward to offer their 2027 pledge.

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 *Make Our Church One Joyful Choir* Jonathan Crutchfield
Sanctuary Singers, Blackwelder Brass

Make our church one joyful choir on this glad and festive day and by song invoke the fire that invites our hearts to pray:
Shape us, Christ, to live and claim all it means to bear your name. Bend us low by song and prayer, low enough to lift the
cross and to take the weight and bear love's uncounted final cost. Shape us, Christ, to live and claim all it means to bear
your name. Lift us up by song and prayer till the way we deal with loss and our acts and words of care trace the pattern of
your cross: Shape us, Christ, to bear your name. Bend us, lift us, make us strong, send us out with wind and fire, so the
world may hear the song that we offer as your choir: Shape us, Christ, to live and claim all it means to bear your name.
Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 5:1-12 (pg. 4)
This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *Fossils* Rev. John McKinnon

We Respond to God's Word

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Nicene Creed

Let us confess the faith of the universal church.

We believe in one God,

**the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

**the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation

**he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

**in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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Give Thanks for Those
Whose Faith Is Firm

Capo 1: (D) (A) (Bm) (G)
E^b B^b Cm A^b



1 Give thanks for those whose faith is firm when all a -
2 Give thanks for those whose hope is clear, be - yond mere
3 Give thanks for those whose love is pure, a spar - kling
4 Give thanks for saints of a - ges past and saints a -

(D) (A) (D) (G) (Em) (A) (F#m)
E^b B^b E^b A^b Fm B^b Gm



round seems bleak: on God's good prom - ise they re - ly, so
mor - tal sight: who seek the cit - y God has planned, the
pre - cious stone: they show by what they say and do an
live to - day: though of - ten by this world de - spised, their

(Bm) (G) (Em) (A7) (D)
Cm A^b Fm B^b7 E^b



while they live and when they die how force - ful -
true, e - ter - nal prom - ised land, and steer on
in - ward beau - ty, warm and true, for God's con -
hearts by God are rich - ly prized. Give thanks that

(A7) (B) (Em) (G) (A7) (D)
B^b7 C Fm A^b B^b7 E^b



ly they speak: the strong, who once were weak!
toward that light, a bea - con ev - er bright.
cerns they own: God's love through them is known.
we may say we share their pil - grim way.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

The first three stanzas of this text are organized around the three great virtues—faith, hope, and love—mentioned in 1 Corinthians 13:13. These have indeed been the marks of the faithful people of God always and everywhere, and the final stanza sums up our gratitude for them.

NECROLOGY

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: God of the ages, we praise you for all your servants who have done justice, loved mercy, and walked humbly with their God. For apostles and martyrs and saints of every time and place, who in life and death have witnessed to your truth,

People: we praise you, O God.

Leader: For those we have known and loved, who by their faithful obedience and steadfast hope, have shown the same mind that was in Christ Jesus.

People: we praise you, O God.

Leader: We thank you for the memories we cherish of our loved ones now at home with you:

Marilyn "Roberta" Carter Harold Eugene Namminga Paul Emile Bouchereau, Jr.
Lynn "Gaylan" Adams Elizabeth Annette Garrett

People: Keep us grateful for their witness, and, like them, eager to follow in the way of Christ. Then at the last, bring us with them to share in the inheritance of the saints in light; through Jesus Christ the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

OFFERING

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Simple Gifts
Blackwelder Brass

arr. Aaron Copland

*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

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Eternal God, holy and mighty,...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

HYMN 562 *Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might, heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes
in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.*

You are holy, O God of majesty...Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

HYMN 563 *Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.*

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit..., all glory and honor are yours, eternal God,
now and forever.

HYMN 564 *Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.*

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION VOLUNTARY

Eucharistia

G. Winston Cassler

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We Go in God's Name

*HYMN 263

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

CORONATION

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Contrapunctus IX

Johann Sebastian Bach

Blackwelder Brass

All Saints' Day Flower Memorial

In honor of All Saints' Day, you are invited to take a flower from the narthex and place it in one of the two vases on the chancel in memory of a loved one. Together, the flowers will create two arrangements honoring and remembering the saints and loved ones who have gone before us.

Directory Photo Opportunity

We're beginning our first round of photos for the new church directory! Individual photos will be taken in the Parlor following the 11:00 a.m. service, approximately 12:00-2:00 p.m. Photos will be taken one at a time, with those waiting lined up outside the Parlor.

This is only the first opportunity to have your photo taken, so don't worry if you'd rather wait for a future date. Family photos will also be offered at a later time. Bring your best smile!

**Give to
FPC today!**



263 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Descant

4 O that with yon - der sa - cred throng we at his feet may fall!

1 All hail the power of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
 2 Ye cho - sen seed of Is - rael's race, ye ran - somed from the fall,
 3 Let ev - ery kin - dred, ev - ery tribe on this ter - res - trial ball
 4 O that with yon - der sa - cred throng we at his feet may fall!

We'll join the song, and crown him Lord of all!

bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!
 hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
 to him all maj - es - ty as - cribe, and crown him Lord of all!
 We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song, and crown him Lord of all!

We'll join the song, and crown him Lord of all!

Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!
 Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
 To him all maj - es - ty as - cribe, and crown him Lord of all!
 We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song, and crown him Lord of all!

This 18th-century text celebrating the sovereignty of Christ has been through several expansions and contractions before reaching its present form. It is set here to the oldest American hymn tune in continuous use since first published in 1793, which was written for it.

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!

Sunday Worship | 11:00 a.m.

All Saints' Day | 11:00 a.m.

On All Saints' Day, we share in the Lord's Supper, remember with love those who have returned to God, support those who grieve, and give thanks for those whose lives and faith continue to influence our own.

First Sunday Lunch | 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

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.

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.

Hanging of the Greens — Sunday, November 22 | 12:00 p.m.

Join us as we hang greenery around the church, readying ourselves and the church for the Advent season! All ages are invited to participate. Pizza will be provided.

Thanksgiving Eve Dinner & Worship — Wednesday, November 25 Dinner at 5:45 p.m. | Worship at 6:30 p.m.

Gather with us on Wednesday, November 25, for our Thanksgiving Eve Dinner & Worship. Dinner will be served in Watchorn Hall at 5:45 p.m., followed by worship in the Chapel at 6:30 p.m.

Enjoy a traditional turkey and ham dinner with all the classic sides as we gather in gratitude and fellowship. Come share in this meaningful evening of food, faith, and thanksgiving!

ADVENTure — Sunday, November 29 | 12:00 p.m.

Kick off the Advent season with our annual ADVENTure! Make an Advent wreath with fresh greens, and we'll provide the candles needed for weekly candle lighting throughout the season.

Children and youth will also have a Christmas painting opportunity and take part in a Christmas scavenger hunt around the church. Lunch will be provided. Come celebrate the beginning of Advent with us!

Christmas Food Boxes

Friday, December 4 & Saturday, December 5 | 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Help The Urban Mission prepare Christmas Food Boxes for families in our community!

- On Friday, December 4, volunteers are needed to set up the assembly line and prepare boxes.
- On Saturday, December 5, volunteers will pack 260 food boxes and hygiene bags.

Contact Jim Tack (jtack@robertsonwilliams.com) to RSVP or for more information.