

First Presbyterian Church

OF OKLAHOMA CITY

The Service for the Lord's Day — November 2, 2025 21st 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 Meditation à Sainte Clotilde Philip James

WORDS OF WELCOME, CHURCH LIFE

PURPLE BAGS Jim Tack

STEWARDSHIP Mary Ann Doolen

CHIME

INTROIT Lift High the Cross CRUCIFER

Sanctuary Singers

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: A thousand days are but a moment to God;

People: all flesh is grass, and withers away.

Leader: Still, we treasure our days with those whom we love,

People: and reluctantly give them back to God.

Leader: On this day, we thank God for the saints in our lives.

All: Let us worship God.

*HYMN 326 For All the Saints SINE NOMINE

(stanza 3: choir alone)

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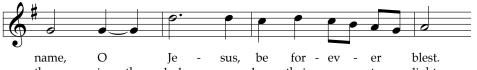
For All the Saints



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



thou, in dark ness drear, their light. the one true thine. all are one in thee. for all are gain, hearts are brave a and arms are strong. Fa Ghost, sing ing ther, Son, and Ho ly to



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.



Travis Johnson

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the body of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Faithful God, you have given us a rich and godly heritage through the sure testimony and holy example of our mothers and fathers in the faith. But we let the light of our faith grow dim; we stray from the paths they commend to us. Forgive us and renew us by your Holy Spirit. Fan in us a new and brighter flame of faith, that, like those who have gone before us, our words and deeds mightily declare the good news of salvation, given to all in Jesus Christ, our Lord. (silent confession)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Saints one and all, hear the good news: by grace, God's free gift of love,

our sins are forgiven.

People: Surely we do not deserve and cannot earn this love.

Leader: Such is the nature of God's grace. Saints one and all, believe the good news:

In Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

People: Amen.

*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 sitting 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.

HYMN 694 Great God of Every Blessing AURELIA

The congregation is invited forward to offer their 2026 pledge.

ANTHEM Still I Sing Alleluia Kyle Pederson

Sanctuary Singers

With Spirit before me, with Spirit behind, with Spirit below and beside me; with Spirit all around, even where affliction is found, I will sing, I will sound, "Alleluia." When darkness descends and the night never ends, when my shadows and demons surround me; when questions I spin echo answerless within, even then, "Alleluia." Still I sing, "Alleluia." Open us to you, 'til we sing "Alleluia." Weave joy in our gain, bring us hope in our pain; hear all prayers that we offer to you, Lord; breathe life into death, draw us closer with each breath, that our lips may confess, "Alleluia." So praise the Father and praise the Son, praise the Spirit who moves in and through all. All creation sound the word so profound; let us sing, let us live, Alleluia. Still I sing, "Alleluia."

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 19:1-10 (pg. 82)

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

SERMON Seeing the Lord Rev. John McKinnon

We Respond to God's Word

*HYMN 325 By All Your Saints Still Striving KING'S LYNN

NECROLOGY

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

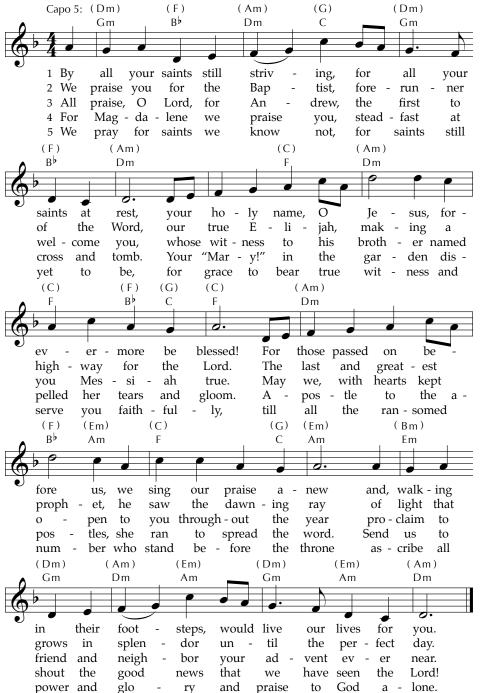
our thankful cry.

694 Great God of Every Blessing



Written for the 500th anniversary of John Calvin's birth, this text sums up his liturgical theology, ending each stanza with his motto: *Cor meum tibi offero, Domine, prompte et sincere*. By moving from plural to singular the stanzas show how corporate faith becomes personal piety.

By All Your Saints Still Striving 325



Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

These stanzas are selected and adapted from a much longer hymn by the nephew of the famous naval hero whose name he shares; it was intended for use on saints' days observed by the Church of England. The tune name honors the Norfolk seaport town where the tune was collected.

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.

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:

David Rogers Ann Hopps Nita Wilson Kathy McCraw
Kathleen Dougherty Sue Kunkel Marcia McMillin Sheri Boughman
Edie King John Buzan Jannis Dykeman Sam Dykeman

Edgar Siewert Carren MacLemore Hudson LeGrand

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

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

*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,... from your love in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

We praise you, most holy God,... According to his commandment:

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory.

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

Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE COMMUNION VOLUNTARY

Gabriel's Clarinet

Ennio Morricone

Michael Johnston, clarinet

COMMISSIONING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

We who are many are one body because we all share one bread, one cup.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We Go in God's Name

*HYMN 550 Give Praise to the Lord LAUDATE DOMINUM

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE Celebration Robert Hebble

Give Praise to the Lord



This adaptation of Psalm 149 is organized by themes of praise and service, with a strong implication that they are not really separable but are two aspects of the same God-centered impulse. This text is set to a jubilant tune derived from a late 19th-century English anthem.

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!

Sanctuary Worship | 11:00 a.m.

First Sunday Lunch | 12:00 p.m.

Our First Sunday Lunches are a great time to share in fellowship with the congregation. After the worship service, we'll gather in Watchorn Hall to enjoy a delicious meal organized by Junebug Catering.

Menu: Roasted Turkey, Roasted Salmon, Wild Rice Salad, Roasted Corn Salad, Harvest Salad (Wild Greens with Cranberries, Pecans, Sliced Apples and Maple Vinaigrette), Cornbread, Blue Cornbread, Blue Corn Cookies, Pumpkin Chocolate Chip Cookies, and Pecan Cranberry Cookies

Youth Chorale Rehearsals

Middle and High School students (grades 5th through 12th) are invited to stay after worship on Sundays (except for 1st Sundays of the month)! We'll meet in Room B-32 and make music until 12:30 p.m.

Winter Coat Drive

As temperatures start to drop, it's time for our yearly winter coat drive! This year's donations will once again support Church Under the Bridge. You can drop off coats in the narthex or Reception Center through the end of November. Their greatest need is gently used men's coats in sizes large to XXXL, but all sizes, and warm gloves, are appreciated.

Give to FPC today!



Upcoming Events

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

We meet in Room B-10 (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 a friendly bridge group to join, **contact Dan MacLemore at 405-496-0185 or rockdoc1949@gmail.com.**

Evening Prayer Service — Wednesdays | 5:00 & 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 is a short worship 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 the service, we'll have a time of fellowship in the Reception Center from 6:00-6:30 p.m.

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.

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 or have any questions, please reach out to Puffer Jones (puffer@fpcokc.org).

Presbyterian Women

Priscilla Circle — Tuesday, November 11 | 10:00 a.m.

Meeting at the church in Room 122.

Phoebe Circle — Tuesday, November 11 | 1:30 p.m.

Meeting at Kathy Berry's house.

Abigail Circle — Friday, November 14 | 6:00 p.m.

Meeting at Darci McKinnon's house.

Note: Abigail Circle will now be meeting on the 2nd Friday of the month.

Deacons Out and About: Our Town — Friday, November 14 | 7:00 p.m.

Join the Deacons for a night out at the theater! The Diaconate has purchased 30 tickets to Harding Fine Arts Academy's play *Our Town* on Friday, November 14, at 7:00 p.m., directed by our very own Sean Smith.

Tickets are free but limited, so sign up today at <u>tinyurl.com/DeaconsPlay25</u>. The show is best suited for ages 16 and up. Contact Blaine Moore (bmoorokc@aol.com) if you have any questions.

Hanging of the Greens — Sunday, November 23 | 12:00 p.m.

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

Thanksgiving Eve Dinner & Worship — Wednesday, November 26 Dinner 5:45 p.m. | Worship 6:30 p.m.

Join us for Thanksgiving Eve Dinner and Worship on Wednesday, November 26. We'll have dinner in Watchorn Hall, followed by worship in the Chapel. This traditional turkey and ham dinner with all the sides is sure to please.

We are blessed in so many ways and we must not forget to recognize them for what they are. There is no better way to respond to God's grace than to worship. Come join us in table fellowship and to worship God with thanksgiving and praise!

ADVENTure — Sunday, November 30 | 12:00 p.m.

Kick off the Advent season with our annual ADVENTure fun on Sunday, November 30! There will be an opportunity to make an Advent wreath with fresh greens. We'll also provide the five candles needed to begin your weekly candle lighting to celebrate the coming of Jesus Christ.

During this time, the children and youth will have their Christmas pageant rehearsal. Lunch will be provided.

Christmas Food Boxes

Friday, December 5 and Saturday, December 6 | 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Volunteer to help with Christmas Food Boxes at The Urban Mission!

- On Friday, December 5, volunteers are needed to set up the assembly line and put together boxes.
- On Saturday, December 6, volunteers are needed to pack food boxes and hygiene bags.

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