



# First Presbyterian Church OF OKLAHOMA CITY

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## The Service for the Lord's Day – January 16, 2022 Second Sunday After Epiphany

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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. For those of you worshipping with us in the Sanctuary this morning, masking is required while in the building. Thank you for helping us all stay safe!

### We Gather to Worship

PRELUDE *Introduction and Menuet from Suite Gothique* Léon Boëllmann

WORDS OF WELCOME, CHURCH LIFE  
DEACON'S MOMENT Travis Johnson

FIRST CHIME

INTROIT *God Welcomes All* THEMBA AMEN (South Africa)  
Sanctuary Singers

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God of the past, who has created and nurtured us, we are here to thank you.

**People: God of the future, who is always ahead of us, we are here to thank you.**

Leader: God of the present, who is here in the midst of us, we are here to thank you.

**People: God of life, who is beyond us and within us, we rejoice in your glorious love.**

**All: Let us worship God!**

\*HYMN 12 *Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise* ST. DENIO

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison) Steve Whaylen

**God of love, in whose name we have been claimed for discipleship and service, encounter us in this hour, that we may grow in knowledge and understanding. Disturb our certainties so we will be open to new insights. Upset our priorities to make room for faith, hope, and love. Transform us in the presence of your love, we pray. Amen.**

## Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise 12

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,  
 3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small.  
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light.

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might:  
 In all life thou liv - est, the true life of all.  
 Thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight.

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
 thy jus - tice, like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove;  
 We blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,  
 All praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.  
 thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
 then with - er and per - ish; but naught chang - eth thee.  
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

The opening line of this hymn was inspired by the three divine attributes listed in 1 Timothy 1:17 (King James Version), and it continues by considering how God's life exceeds our own finite existence. The text is well set to a Welsh melody shaped by many three-note units.

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)**

**Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life, making us part of the body of Christ. We confess that we remain preoccupied with ourselves, separated from sisters and brothers in Christ. We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges, and show reluctance to welcome one another; we allow the past to hold us hostage. In your loving-kindness have mercy on us and free us from sin. Remind us of the promises you make in baptism so that we may rise to new life and live together in grace.** (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.**

*(During the Passing of the Peace, if you would prefer to maintain social distancing, please hold your hand to your chest and greet others with a nod or a smile.*

*Hand sanitizing wipes are available at the doors.)*

**\*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

Cyndi Stumpf

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

*Like a Mighty Stream*

Moses Hogan and John Jacobson

Sanctuary Singers

*Lift every voice and let us sing! In every song let freedom ring! From every soul comes a noble dream. Let justice roll like a mighty stream. Oh, every trial we'll overcome, when every child beneath the sun and every soul shall live as one.*

*The noble dream has just begun.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 36:5-10 (pg. 510)

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

SOLO

*As the Wind Song*

Swee Hong Lim

Puffer Jones, baritone; John L. Edwards, whistle

Shirley Erena Murray

*As the wind song through the trees, as the stirring of the breeze, so it is with the Spirit of God, as the heart made strangely warm, as the voice within the storm, so it is with the Spirit of God. Never seen, ever known where this wind has blown bringing life, bringing power to the world, as the dancing tongues of fire, as the soul's most deep desire, so it is with the Spirit of God. As the rainbow after rain, as the hope that's born again, so it is with the Spirit of God, as the green in the spring, as a kite on a string, so it is with the Spirit of God, making worlds that are new, making peace come true, bringing gifts, bringing love to the world, as the rising of the yeast, as the wine at the feast, so it is with the Spirit of God.*

SCRIPTURE READING

John 2:1-11 (pg. 93)

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

SERMON

*Ordinary Human Events*

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 302

*When Hands Reach Out and Fingers Trace*

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

RESPONSE

*Hear Our Prayer, O God*

WHELPTON

Sanctuary Singers

OFFERING

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*Andantino in Eb from L'Organiste, Vol. 2*

César Franck

\*PRESENTATION HYMN

*Doxology*

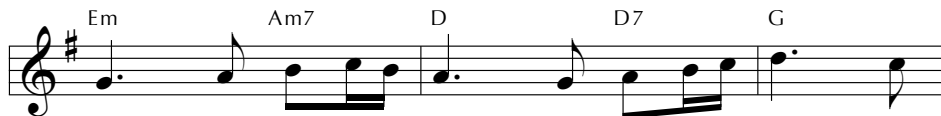
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***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia.  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Amen.***

# When Hands Reach Out and 302 Fingers Trace



1 When hands reach out and fin - gers trace the beau - ty  
2 When fin - gers spell and signs ex - press our prayer and  
3 When bro - ken bod - ies will not mend, we thank you,  
4 And when the ways we learn and grow are not the  
5 Your Spir - it gives us dif - fering ways to serve you



of a loved one's face, we thank you, God, that  
praise and thank - ful - ness, we thank you, God, that  
God, for Christ our friend. In him, our heal - ing  
ways that oth - ers know, we thank you, God, that  
well and of - fer praise. When all are joined as



love re - lies on gifts of grace not seen with eyes.  
hands can sing; you bless the si - lent songs we bring.  
can be - gin: he wel - comes all the wound - ed in.  
we have learned your love's a gift, and nev - er earned.  
one, we'll be your a - ble, strong com - mu - ni - ty.

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

This hymn celebrates the breadth of human diversity and the variety of gifts and abilities through which God's people serve the church and world. Incorporating such diversity provides a vital witness to the hospitality of Christian community and to the inclusive nature of love.

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## We Go in God's Name

\*HYMN 550

*Give Praise to the Lord*

LAUDATE DOMINUM

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

*Now Thank We All Our God*

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

## Today

### Sunday School | 9:30 a.m.

- Builders Class | Room B-8
- Pastor's Class | Resumes January 30
- Evergreen Class | Room B-14
- New Beginnings Class | Fireside Room (in-person & Zoom)
  - Meeting ID: 817 3543 3278 | Passcode: 531483
- Children's Sunday School | Room 213

### Sanctuary Worship | 11:00 a.m.

## Upcoming Events

### Presbyterian Women

#### **Abigail Circle — ~~Tuesday, January 18~~ | ~~6:30 p.m.~~ Cancelled**

No January meeting due to community health conditions surrounding COVID-19.

#### **PW Brunch — Sunday, January 23 | 1:00 p.m.**

This year's PW theme is *The More We Get Together, the Happier We Will Be*. Brunch at Bellini's Ristorante & Grill is another opportunity for us to get together! Bellini's is located at 6305 Waterford Blvd Ste 100, Oklahoma City. The cost of the event will fall to each individual participant. **Please RSVP to Cyndi Stumpf (cyndi0507@gmail.com) by January 17.**

#### **KirkNight To-go — Wednesday, January 19 | 4:30-5:30 p.m.**

**Menu:** Mississippi Pork Roast, Mashed Potatoes with Carrots, and Chocolate Chip Bread

**Family Meal for 4-6:** \$20 | **Dessert** \$5.00 | **Meal for 2:** \$10 | **Dessert** \$2.50

Meals will be available for pick-up from 4:30-6:30 p.m. by the ramp behind the kitchen.

#### **Yoga — ~~Wednesday, January 19~~ | ~~6:30 p.m.~~ Cancelled**

Yoga is cancelled for January 19 but will be back in session on January 26. We look forward to seeing you then!

## 550

## Give Praise to the Lord

(Psalm 149)

1 Give praise to the Lord, and sing a new song;  
 2 With tim - brel and harp and joy - ful ac - claim,  
 3 In glo - ry ex - ult, all saints of the Lord;  
 4 For this is God's word: the saints shall not fail,

a - mid all the saints God's prais - es pro - long;  
 with glad - ness, O God, we praise your great name;  
 with song in the night high prais - es ac - cord;  
 but o - ver the earth their power shall pre - vail;

a song to your Mak - er and Rul - er now raise,  
 for now in your peo - ple good plea - sure you seek;  
 go forth in God's ser - vice and strong in God's might  
 all king - doms and na - tions shall yield to their sway.

all chil - dren of Zi - on: re - joice and give praise.  
 with robes of sal - va - tion you cov - er the meek.  
 to con - quer all e - vil and stand for the right.  
 To God give the glo - ry; sing prais - es for aye.

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.

## **Annual Corporate and Ecclesiastical Meeting**

**Sunday, January 23 | 9:30 a.m.**

The Annual Corporate and Ecclesiastical Meeting of the Congregation will be held in the Sanctuary at 9:30 a.m. on January 23 for the distribution of the Annual Report, Presentation of the Budget and approving changes to the terms of call of the pastor.

-Barbara Charlet, Clerk of Session

## **Children & Youth**

**Family Board Game Evening — Sunday, January 30 | 4:00 p.m.**

Did Santa bring you a new board game or do you have a favorite sitting in your closet? Dig them out and bring them to church on January 30 at 4:00 p.m.

We will play a game or two before breaking for pizza and will hopefully have time for one more game before going home around 6:00 p.m. **Please RSVP to Miss Cyndi (Cyndi0507@gmail.com) by January 26.**

## **Fifth Sunday Hymn Sing**

There are five Sundays in January, so we will have a “favorite hymn sing” at the beginning of worship on the fifth Sunday, January 30! Submit your hymn suggestions by sending an email to [puffer@fpcokc.org](mailto:puffer@fpcokc.org) or by messaging us on Facebook.