



# First Presbyterian Church OF OKLAHOMA CITY

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## The Service for the Lord's Day – February 13, 2022 6<sup>th</sup> 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, please remember that masks are required to be worn at all times. Thank you.

### We Gather to Worship

PRELUDE

*Galliard Battaglia*

Samuel Scheidt

Blackwelder Brass

Isaac Hodapp and Connor Tipton, trumpets; Jose Diaz, horn;

Trey Cole, trombone; Nick Brown, tuba

WORDS OF WELCOME, CHURCH LIFE

FIRST CHIME

INTROIT

*Praise Ye the Lord*

LOBE DEN HERREN

Sanctuary Singers, Blackwelder Brass

arr. W. P. Jones

\*CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalm 138 selected*

Leader: I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise.

**People: All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O LORD, for they have heard the words of your mouth.**

Leader: Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies; you stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me.

**People: The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever.**

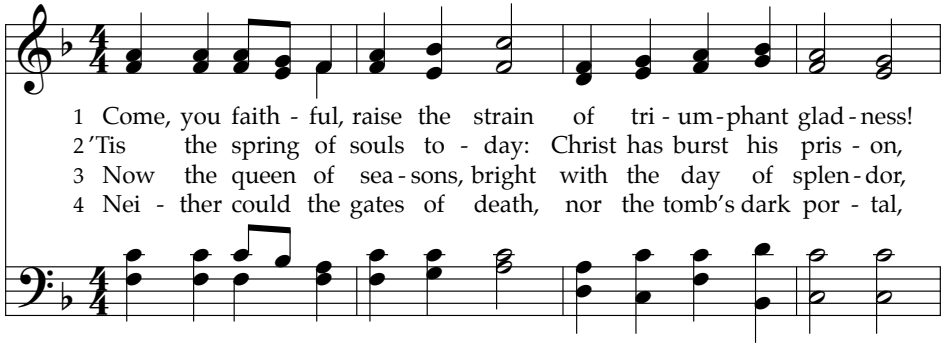
**All: Let us worship God!**

\*HYMN 234

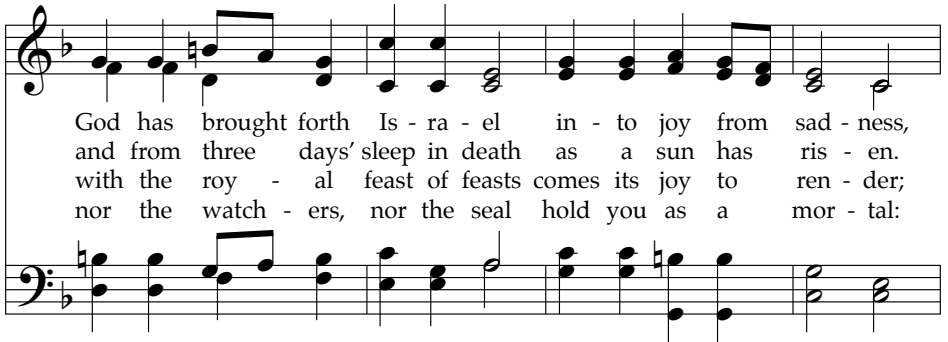
*Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain*

ST. KEVIN

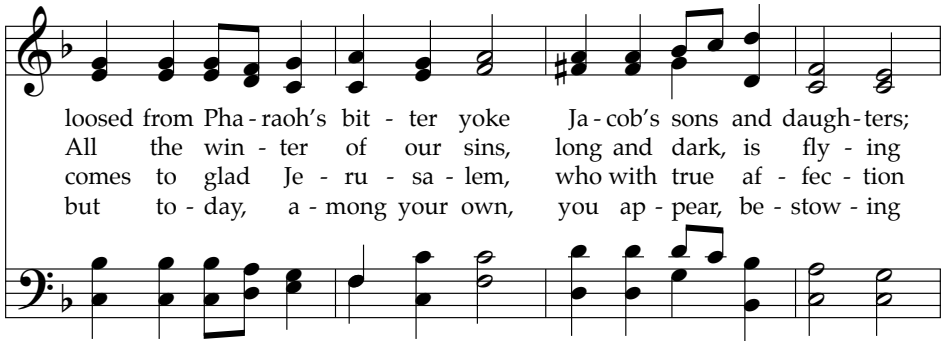
## Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain 234



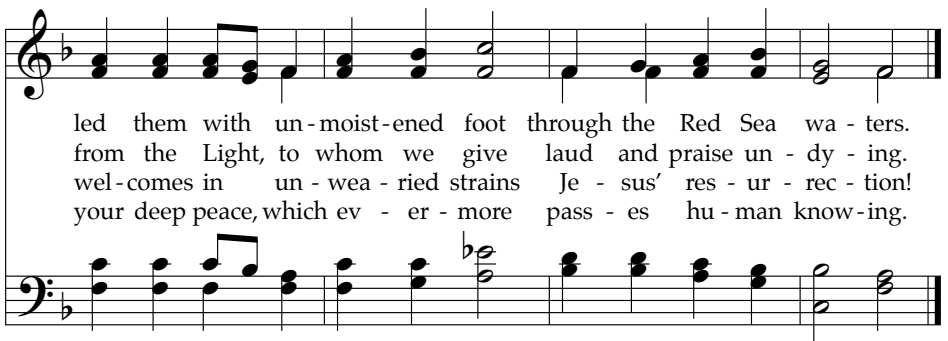
1 Come, you faith - ful, raise the strain of tri - um - phant glad - ness!  
 2 'Tis the spring of souls to - day: Christ has burst his pris - on,  
 3 Now the queen of sea - sons, bright with the day of splen - dor,  
 4 Nei - ther could the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark por - tal,



God has brought forth Is - ra - el in - to joy from sad - ness,  
 and from three days' sleep in death as a sun has ris - en.  
 with the roy - al feast of feasts comes its joy to ren - der;  
 nor the watch - ers, nor the seal hold you as a mor - tal:



loosed from Pha - raoh's bit - ter yoke Ja - cob's sons and daugh - ters;  
 All the win - ter of our sins, long and dark, is fly - ing  
 comes to glad Je - ru - sa - lem, who with true af - fec - tion  
 but to - day, a - mong your own, you ap - pear, be - stow - ing



led them with un - moist - ened foot through the Red Sea wa - ters.  
 from the Light, to whom we give laud and praise un - dy - ing.  
 wel - comes in un - wea - ried strains Je - sus' res - ur - rec - tion!  
 your deep peace, which ev - er - more pass - es hu - man know - ing.

One of the many ancient hymns translated into English in the 19th century, this 8th-century Eastertide hymn was originally part of a longer Greek liturgical text. This tune was created for this text by a church organist who later rose to fame as a composer of operettas.

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison)

John Ellis

**O Lord our God, you are always more ready to bestow your good gifts upon us than we are to seek them. You are more willing to give than we desire or deserve. Help us so to seek that we may truly find, so to ask that we may joyfully receive, so to knock that the door of your mercy may be opened for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

**God of compassion, in Jesus Christ you reveal the light of your glory, but we turn away, distracted by our own plans. We confess that we speak when we should listen and act when we should wait. Forgive our aimless enthusiasms. Grant us wisdom to live in your light and to follow in the way of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.**

(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.*

## **We Proclaim God's Word**

DISCOVERY TIME

Sean Smith

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

*Praise, Praise the Lord*

Jay Althouse

Sanctuary Singers, Blackwelder Brass

*Praise, praise the Lord, all ye people! Praise the Lord who is great and exalted. Praise the Lord; he is Savior and King. We stand before him in wonder. We stand before him and sing. The earth rejoices and then our voices will ring! Praise the Lord from the hill to the valley. Praise the Lord from the sea to the sky. God speaks and all the earth listens; with thanks we humbly reply. Our heart rejoices and we raise our voices on high. Praise the Lord of the strong and the weary. Praise the Lord of the great and small. The lamb will lie with the lion; they both will follow God's call. And now we sing of him, for he is King of them all.*

*Praise the Lord, all ye people!*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 17:5-10 (pg. 719)

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

SOLO

*Step By Step*

David Beaker Strasser

Puffer Jones, baritone

*O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you. I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways. And step by step you'll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days.*

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 6:17-26 (pg. 64)

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

SERMON

*Blessings and Woes*

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 815

*Give to the Winds Thy Fears*

FESTAL SONG

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

RESPONSE

*Hear Our Prayer, O God*

WHELPTON

Sanctuary Singers

## 815 Give to the Winds Thy Fears

1 Give to the winds thy fears; hope, and be  
 2 Through waves and clouds and storms God gent - ly  
 3 Leave to God's sov - ereign sway to choose and  
 4 Let us in life, in death, thy stead - fast

un - dis - mayed. God hears thy sighs and  
 clears the way. Wait pa - tient - ly; so  
 to com - mand. So shalt thou, won - dering,  
 truth de - declare, and pub - lish with our

counts thy tears; God shall lift up thy head.  
 shall this night soon end in joy - ous day.  
 own God's way, how wise, how strong God's hand!  
 fi - nal breath thy love and guard - ian care.

This text uses selected stanzas from sixteen four-line English stanzas based on the original German text, which was twice as long. The German hymn was constructed as an acrostic on Martin Luther's translation of Psalm 37:5, and much of the spirit of that psalm is retained here.

OFFERING

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*Simple Gifts*  
Blackwelder Brass

arr. Sterling Proctor

\*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, Alleluia. Amen.*

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## We Go in God's Name

\*HYMN 634

*To God Be the Glory*

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\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Scherzo*  
Blackwelder Brass

John Cheetham

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Carl and Linda Bosteels' 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

## Today

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

- Builders Class | Room B-8
- Pastor's Class | Room 215
- 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.

## 634 To God Be the Glory

1 To God be the glo - ry; great things he has done!  
2 Great things he has taught us; great things he has done,

So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
and great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son;

who yield - ed his life an a - tone - ment for sin,  
but pur - er and high - er and great - er will be

and o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.  
our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

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.

## Refrain

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the peo - ple re - joice!

O come to the Fa - ther through Je - sus the Son,

and give him the glo - ry: great things he has done!



# Upcoming Events

## Presbyterian Women

**Abigail Circle — Tuesday, February 15 | 6:30 p.m.**

Location TBD.

**KirkNight To-go — Wednesday, February 16 | 4:30-5:30 p.m.**

**Menu:** Coq au Vin (Chicken Cooked in Red Wine) with Carrots, Potatoes and Chocolate Covered Strawberry Brownies

**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, February 16 | 6:30 p.m.**

Join us for a relaxing and refreshing practice every Wednesday. All skill levels are welcome!

**Reserve the Third — Saturday, February 19 | 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**

In the month of February, Reserve the Third will be filling the FPC-OKC Community Garden's plots with mulch. Please bring rakes, shovels and wheelbarrows, if you have them. We anticipate a beginning temp of 40 degrees, ending around 50 degrees with bright sunshine. **If you'd like to join us, please RSVP to Roane Pittman ([johnpittmanmd@gmail.com](mailto:johnpittmanmd@gmail.com)).**

## **Annual Corporate and Ecclesiastical Meeting**

**Sunday, February 27 | 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 Sunday, February 27, 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

## **Student Grant Applications 2022**

The Presbyterian Women of Indian Nations Presbytery offer scholarships to Presbyterian students ages 17-25 doing undergraduate work. To obtain an application and review the eligibility requirements, visit [tinyurl.com/PWgrant2022](https://tinyurl.com/PWgrant2022).

**The deadline to apply is Sunday, March 31.**