



First Presbyterian Church OF OKLAHOMA CITY

The Service for the Lord's Day – October 2, 2022

17th Sunday after Pentecost

World Communion 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!

We Gather to Worship

PRELUDE

Toccata V

Girolamo Frescobaldi (Italy)

WORDS OF WELCOME, CHURCH LIFE

PURPLE BAGS

PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING

Bill Hancock

FIRST CHIME

INTROIT

Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord!

LOUEZ LE SEIGNEUR (Cameroon)

Sanctuary Singers

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Arise, people of God, to greet the one who calls us; come alive to the Spirit's energy among us.

People: God awakens us and restores our souls. Surely God's goodness and mercy are with us here.

Leader: The shepherd is calling us to new ventures. We are invited to a higher quality of life.

People: We will not fear to walk through shadowed valleys. God's love in Christ is with us everywhere.

Leader: Come to drink from springs of living water.

People: Gather to find comfort and blessing here.

All: Let us worship God!

***HYMN 509**

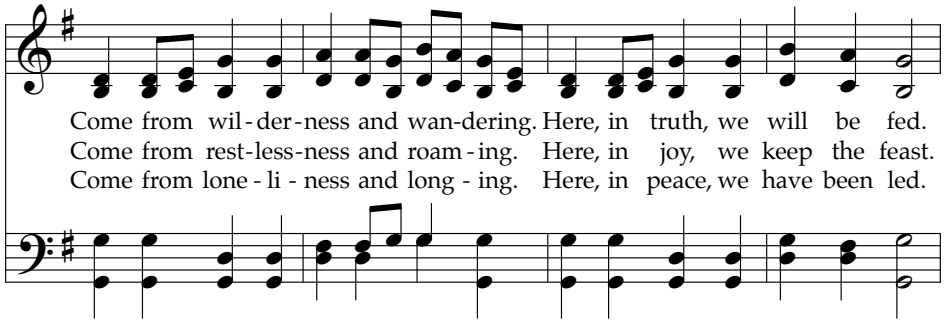
All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

HOLY MANNA (USA)

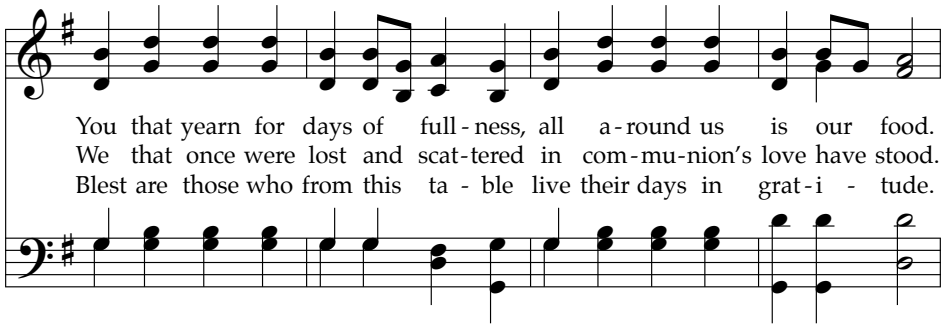
All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly 509



1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man-na is our bread.
 2 All who hun-ger, nev-er strang-ers, seek-er, be a wel-come guest.
 3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er; Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.



Come from wil-der-ness and wan-dering. Here, in truth, we will be fed.
 Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
 Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here, in peace, we have been led.



You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food.
 We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood.
 Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat-i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.

The United Church of Canada minister who wrote this text was introduced to shape note tunes at the 1990 Hymn Society conference in Charleston, South Carolina. Afterwards she vacationed with friends nearby and worked out this text while humming this tune as she walked up and down the beach.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Mary Ann Doolen

Eternal God, you have called us to be members of one body. Join us with those who in all times and places have praised your name, that, with one heart and mind, we may show the unity of your church, and bring honor to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Eternal God, we look at events around us and cannot perceive you within them. We shed tears and find no comfort. We listen for your voice and are greeted by silence. The world seems full of enemies waiting to devour us. On every hand, there are problems too complicated for us to solve. We live too often in fear rather than faith. We cry out to you for answers. O God, help us hear your voice. (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) (USA)
***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

ANTHEM

Mambo Sawa Sawa

traditional Swahili

Treble Choir

(Uganda)

Things already better! When the Lord is on my side, things already better!

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.

MUSICAL PRAYER

Here, O Lord, Your Servants Gather

TOKYO (Japan)

Sanctuary Singers

Here, O Lord, your servants gather, hand we link with hand; looking toward our Savior's cross, joined in love we stand. As we seek the realm of God, we unite to pray: Jesus, Savior, guide our steps, for you are the way.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 17:5-10 (pg. 80)

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

ANTHEM

Many and Great, O God, Are Thy Works

LACQUIPARLE (Dakota)

Sanctuary Singers

Many and great, O God, are thy works, Maker of earth and sky. Thy hands have set the heavens with stars; thy fingers spread the mountains and plains. Lo, at thy word the waters were formed. Deep seas obey thy voice. Grant unto us communion with thee, thou star-abiding One. Come unto us and dwell with us. With thee are found the gifts of life. Bless us with life that has no end, eternal life with thee.

SERMON

Above and Beyond

Rev. John C. McKinnon

We Respond to God's Word

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

(pg. 34 in the front of the hymnal)

*HYMN 529

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

UNION SEMINARY (USA)

OFFERING

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Afton Water

Robert Burns (Scotland)

John L. Edwards, Scottish whistle

*PRESENTATION HYMN

Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN (Germany)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

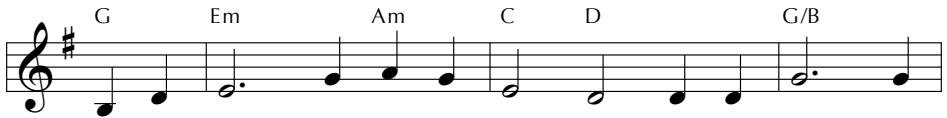
Praise God all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether 529



1 Draw us in the Spir - it's teth - er, for when hum - bly
 2 As dis - ci - ples used to gath - er in the name of
 3 All our meals and all our liv - ing make as sac - ra -



in your name two or three are met to - geth - er,
 Christ to sup, then with thanks to God the giv - er
 ments of you, that by car - ing, help - ing, giv - ing,



you are in the midst of them. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 break the bread and bless the cup, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 we may be dis - ci - ples true. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -



lu - ia! Here we touch your gar - ment's hem.
 lu - ia! so now bind our friend - ship up.
 lu - ia! We will serve with faith a - new.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This communion text calls attention to the inherent sacramental nature of all meals and the communal dimensions of all human interaction. The tune, originally composed for an anthem setting of this text, honors the institution where the composer was trained and later taught.

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,* (Austria)
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

OFFERTORY *O Bread of Life from Heaven* Jan Bender (Holland)

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 525 *Let Us Break Bread Together* LET US BREAK BREAD (African American)

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Toccata from Symphony No. 5* Charles-Marie Widor (France)

Let Us Break Bread Together 525

1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees)
 2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees)
 3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees)

let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees. (on our knees)
 let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees. (on our knees)
 let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees. (on our knees)

Refrain

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing sun,

O Lord, have mer - cy on me. (on me)

This African American spiritual quite possibly reflects the circumstances of slaves attending early morning communion services in colonial Anglican churches, but its combination of hope ("rising sun") and supplication ("Lord, have mercy") speaks to many worshippers' experience.

Today

Sunday School | 9:30 a.m.

- Builders Class | Room B-8
- Pastor's Class | Room 215
- New Beginnings | Fireside Room
- Evergreen Class | Room B-14
- Children's Sunday School | Room 213

Sanctuary Worship | 11:00 a.m.

Service Opportunity

Roane Pittman is searching for a co-teacher to help lead a weekly Bible study.

Please contact Roane (johnpittmanmd@gmail.com) if you're interested!

Upcoming Events

KirkNight To-go — Wednesday, October 5 | 5:00-6:00 p.m.

KirkNight To-go has a picnic option this week! You can bring a chair or blanket when you pick up your meal and gather to eat with others in the playground area. Meals will be available for pick-up from 5:00-6:00 p.m. by the ramp behind the kitchen. **To order, call, text, or email Jenn Snow (405-408-3608 or jenn@junebugcatering.com).**

Menu: (OU/TX Picnic) Stout Brownies, Burgers, Hot Dogs, Potato Salad, Baked Beans

Family Meal for 4-6: \$30 | Dessert \$5.00 | **Meal for 2:** \$15 | Dessert \$2.50

Yoga — Wednesday, October 5 | 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Our free outdoor yoga classes are back! The class will be led by the wonderful Brandi Gibson. Everyone is welcome, no matter their skill level. Join us in the church courtyard, weather permitting! Otherwise, we'll be in the Rec Room downstairs.

Presbyterian Women

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

Room 122 on the first floor of the church. Zoom Meeting ID: 881 7807 7431 | Password: 114955

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

At the home of Kathy Berry.

Abigail Circle — Tuesday, October 18 | 6:00 p.m.

Location TBD.

Children & Youth

Sunday School Halloween Party — Friday, October 21 | 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Children & Youth are invited to a Sunday School Halloween Party! Pizza dinner is included as well as lots of Halloween fun. **RSVP to Miss Cyndi (cyndi0507@gmail.com) no later than October 16.**

Annual Meeting of the Congregation

Sunday, October 23 | After 11:00 a.m. Service

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation (for the election of officers) will be held on Sunday, October 23, immediately following the worship service in the Sanctuary.

New Member Luncheon — Sunday, October 23 | 12:00 p.m.

The Board of Deacons invites you to our 2022 New Member Luncheon! We will have plenty to celebrate when we gather after worship service on Sunday, October 23! Join us for a complimentary meal served in Watchorn Hall as we meet (you probably already know them!) and honor our newest members.

Over 25 people have joined First Presbyterian Church since our last New Member Luncheon in 2019. We have been blessed indeed! Please come and enjoy the fellowship that flourishes when we dine together. **RSVP by calling 405-525-6584 or visiting tinyurl.com/2022newmemberlunch.**

Please RSVP by October 17.

Menu: Chili, Potato Soup, Butternut Squash Soup, Cornbread, Garlic Breadsticks, and Cobbler

Fall Festival — Saturday, October 29 | 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Get ready for the Fall Festival this year! There will be plenty to do and see. We'll have food, drink, music, inflatables, exotic animals, a chili cook-off and much more! If you're interested in entering the chili cook-off, please contact Erica Taylor (918-231-1777) for details.

This event is free and open to the public. We hope that you'll come out and enjoy all the fun and invite your friends too!

Reserve the Third — Saturday, October 29

We'll be helping out at the Fall Festival this month! **If you'd like to join us, please contact to Roane Pittman (johnpittmanmd@gmail.com) for more information.**

Reformation Sunday — Sunday, October 30 | 11:00 a.m.

On October 30, we will recognize the Protestant Reformation and how it has shaped who we are as Presbyterian Christians. We will celebrate the history of the Presbyterian Church on Reformation Sunday with the help of the Oklahoma Scottish Pipes and Drums. You don't want to miss this very special service!