



First Presbyterian Church OF OKLAHOMA CITY

November 2022

All Saints' Sunday

Sunday, November 6 | 11:00 a.m.

All Saints' Sunday is one of the most meaningful worship services of the year for our church family. It is a time to remember with friendship, affection and love those who are no longer with us. It is a time to remember those who grieve. It is a time to thank God for all the Saints who from their labors rest and for those particular Saints of our lives who have informed and shaped our understanding of faith.

We will celebrate the day by sharing in the Lord's Supper. This time we will pass the elements, serving one another, instead of walking forward to receive them. This way of serving the elements will honor our belief in the priesthood of all believers.

Vienna Boys Choir

Sunday, November 6 | 3:00 p.m.

Free Admission—no tickets required—doors open at 2:30 p.m. The illustrious group of child musicians has been delighting music lovers across the globe for six centuries with their purity of tone, distinctive charm and diverse repertoire which includes everything from medieval to contemporary to experimental music.



Hope House of Guthrie

One of the groups supported through the Mission Council of this church is Hope House of Guthrie. Hope House is a non-profit facility providing transitional housing for the homeless. In addition to housing, its volunteers help connect people with resources, lead addiction recovery programs, provide help with job placement and assist with transportation.

We are proud to partner with Hope House in caring for those in need. Hope House representatives John Secondi, Christopher Payne and Anita Taylor gave a presentation of their mission and works in the Evergreen Class on October 30.

Visit hopehouseguthrie.org if you'd like to learn more about this important ministry.



New Member Luncheon

We welcomed our newest members to the congregation at the New Member Luncheon last month!

It was a wonderful time celebrating our flourishing community.

Thank you to the Board of Deacons for their hard work and to Jen of Junebug Catering for the delicious food.



Our newest members, Maverick Rork and Brady Bieber are welcomed by Jean Nelson, Emily Johnson and Amanda Ogden.



Wesley and Lacey Howard introduced Blaine to those attending the luncheon!



Susan Perry-LeGrand and Carren MacLemore visit with new members Damon & Amy Martin and David Rodgers.



During the luncheon, Bill Robinson was recognized as the longest serving member of FPC-OKC!

Getting to Know the Endowment Fund

The last few years have left many feeling helpless and wondering how they can make a meaningful impact in our world. Fortunately, FPC-OKC is doing great things in our church and our community.

The FPC-OKC Endowment Fund consists of separate funds given to the Church to fulfill its mission. Some of these funds are restricted to the donor's stated purpose such as for the music department or the library. Other funds can be used for general church purposes. Even a small amount can have a large impact when given to the Endowment Fund. Through the Endowment Fund, your gift to the church can last generations and continue to fuel FPC-OKC's mission.

Presbyterian Women

Priscilla Circle - Tuesday, November 8 | 10:00 a.m.

Room 122 on the first floor of the church.

Zoom Meeting ID: 881 7807 7431 | **Password:** 114955

Phoebe Circle - Tuesday, November 8 | 1:30 p.m.

At the home of Dorothy Hays.

Abigail Circle - Tuesday, November 15 | 6:00 p.m.

Location TBD.

Reserve the Third

Saturday, November 19 | 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

This month we are serving at The Urban Mission. **If you'd like to join, please contact Roane Pittman (johnpittmanmd@gmail.com) to RSVP or for more information.**

Thanksgiving Eve Dinner & Service

Wednesday, November 23

Dinner 5:45 p.m. | Worship 6:30 p.m.

We rejoice that this year we will return to having Thanksgiving Eve Dinner and worship in the Chapel with Communion. 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!

Please RSVP with the church office (office@fpcokc.org or 405-525-6584) or online at tinyurl.com/FPCthanksgiving by November 16. Indicate whether you'll be picking up a to-go meal or dining in Watchorn Hall. No RSVPs will be taken after the 16th. KirkNight To-go meals will be available for regular pick-up from 5:00-5:30 p.m.

"Take a blessing if you need one. Leave a blessing if you can." That is what the sign reads on the Little Free Pantry—a neighborhood outreach just outside our doors. In the yard of one of our members, Cornell Gallagher, this pantry provides for those living with food insecurity. Cornell's house is blue and sits on the corner of 25th Street and Ollie Avenue, across the street from Watchorn Hall. A wonderful new pantry built by John Ellis stands by the driveway on Ollie.

Please pick up a few extra canned goods when you are shopping and put them in the pantry the next time you come to church. In honor of the many blessings in your life, leave a blessing for someone in need!

KirkNight To-go

To order, call, text or email Jenn Snow at 405-408-3608 or jenn@junebugcatering.com.

Available for pick-up from 5:00-6:00 p.m. by the ramp behind the kitchen.

Family Meal for 4-6

\$30 | Dessert \$5.00

Meal for 2

\$15 | Dessert \$2.50

November 9

Pulled Pork,
BBQ Chicken Thighs,
Baked Beans, Cole Slaw,
Iced Oatmeal Cookies

November 16

Chicken Picatta, Risotto,
Roasted Mushrooms,
Lemon Cooler Cookies

November 23

Thanksgiving Meal
(Roast Turkey, Ham,
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy,
Green Bean Casserole,
Stuffing, Rolls, Choice of
Pumpkin or Pecan Pie

November 30

Lemon Roasted Chicken,
Greek Salad, Briam,
Loukomades

Fall Festival

We had a successful return to our annual Fall Festival! We served over 200 hotdogs, finished off a combined six crockpots of chili, and consumed lots and lots of cotton candy. The children enjoyed the garden activities, bounce houses, and games.

A most sincere thanks to the many people who helped supply great ideas and the physical work to pull this off. We look forward to serving our church family and community next year. Thanks for coming out!

-Erica Taylor





Amanda Ogden's Netflix and Chili won the very competitive chili cook-off this year!



We had some amazing organizations present at the festival! Thank you to the Oklahoma Innocence Project, Norman Care-A-Vans, and our very own SPARK for participating.



Join us in Watchorn Hall on Sunday, November 27 at 4:00 p.m. for a special starry night celebrating the Advent season!

The children will participate in several *starry* activities:

- They will construct a wooden constellation viewer with the help of our resident expert carpenter, John Ellis.
- Star cookies will be decorated *and* devoured.
- They will make our annual Bethlehem Starry Night Advent calendar.
- A couple more starry surprises!

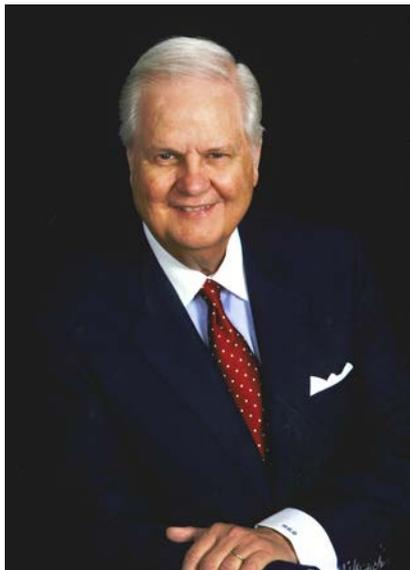
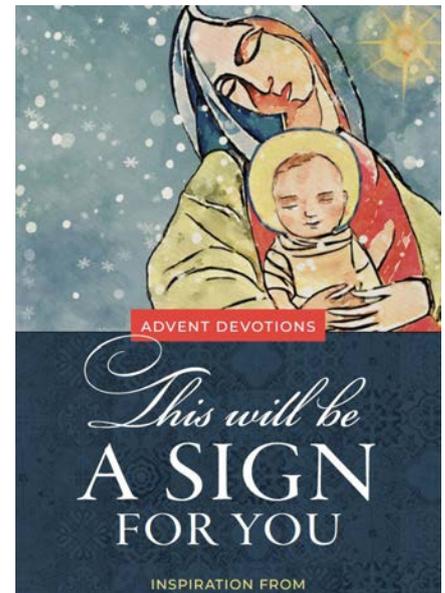
While the kids are knee deep in stars (and probably glitter) the adults are invited to make the annual Advent Wreath (stars will be added this year). A soup and salad dinner will be served as well as pizza for the kids. Participants are asked to bring cookies to share.

Please RSVP to the church office (office@fpcokc.org or 405-525-6584) or online at tinyurl.com/FPCadventure2022 no later than November 23. Indicate how many adults and children will be present and if anyone is planning on making the Advent Wreath.

Advent Devotional

Advent begins on Sunday, November 27! Celebrate Advent with a daily, prayerful journey toward the joy of Christmas. *This Will Be a Sign for You* is a thorough, thoughtful meditation on the incarnation of God: God becomes a man-God with us. The writings of Henri Nouwen and Christopher Klofft are featured in the booklet's page-a-day format of Scripture readings, reflections and prayers.

Join us in committing to a few moments of quiet time each day to remind us that the holiday season is a holy season. Advent devotionals will be available in the narthex, east Sanctuary door, and in the church office. If for some reason you are unable to come pick one up, please let the church office (office@fpcokc.org or 405-525-6584) know and we will get one to you!



New Faces in Familiar Places

Welcome Javon Boston, Jessica McGuire and Glenn Dunn. Javon and Jessica will be ready to greet you and welcome your little ones to the church nursery. The nursery is in Room 119 and is available Sunday mornings beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Glenn Dunn joins the staff as a part-time Associate for Pastoral Care and Visitation. He will assist Pastor John in extending the care of the church beyond its walls. Glenn is a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church, but will give 10 hours a week to FPC-OKC!

Glenn is no stranger to you, having preached here and officiated a funeral. In retirement (that word doesn't mean what it used to) he has done similar work on a full-time basis. We are grateful he now has time and energy to devote to our ministry.

Save the Dates!

Christmas Food Boxes

Friday, December 2 & Saturday, December 3 | 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Mark your calendars to help out with the Christmas Food Boxes at The Urban Mission! **Contact Jim Tack (jtack@robertsonwilliams.com) to RSVP or for more information!**

Service of Healing and Wholeness

Wednesday, December 21 | 12:00 p.m.

On December 21, we will have a Service of Healing and Wholeness at noon to be followed by a time of food and fellowship in the Reception Center. Holidays can be both joyous and difficult times. Come worship with us as we seek God's healing in our lives and in the lives of our neighbors, local and globally!

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November Birthdays

Happy birthday to all!

01: Marcia McMillin	11: Katherine Crawford	16: Sara Maxwell	24: Lili Alvarez
03: Sarah Hausner	Kari Maxwell	Kaitlin Streuli	Alexandra Hurley
Andrea Jordan	Wayne Richards	17: Robert Brittan	25: Rachel Boggess
Jordan Keith	Saraellen Woodard	18: Bobbie Adams	Scott Buxton
Susan Mullens	13: Quentin Lusby	Brian Hall	John Buzan
04: Randolph Welch	Lee Allan Smith	20: Riley Fitzhugh	Karen Floyd
08: Michelle Evans	14: Damon Martin	Blaine Moore	Kristine Rogers
Emily Vogt	15: Mary Ann Doolen	Harold Myers	26: William Dykeman
09: Edgar Siewert	Olive Fokumlah	22: Julie Alvarez	28: Beverly Brown
	Willard Johnson	Naun Alvarez	29: Nita Cadenhead
	Jean Nelson		