



ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP
SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
July 16th, 2023 - 11:00 am

Welcome!

Whether you are worshiping with us for the first time or have grown up here at FPC, we are glad you have joined us for worship this morning!

- ✝ Everyone is welcome here. God loves you, and so do we. God’s grace abounds.
- ✝ We welcome children of all ages in worship! We know that God made all children and that wiggles and giggles are part of that. Both restrooms on the first floor (to your left as you exit the Sanctuary) are equipped with changing tables. If parents prefer, our nursery is open for ages 0-3 in the Preschool wing (to the right as you exit the Sanctuary).
- ✝ At the back of the Sanctuary are Children’s Worship Bags, stored on a wooden tree. Take the bulletin and activity sheets home, but please return the bag with all other materials to the tree after worship.
- ✝ Please record your name and address on the Ministry of Friendship (red folder at the end of the row). Pass it to the end of the row and back to see with whom you worship.
- ✝ Hearing Assist devices are available at the rear of the Sanctuary.
- ✝ Written prayer requests may be recorded in the notebook at the rear of the Sanctuary.

- Gathering Around the Word -

PRELUDE “Trompette en Dialog” - L. Clerambault

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Sharing Christ’s Peace—To the phrases “The Lord be with you” and “Peace be with you”, you may respond “and also with you.”

ORGAN MEDITATION

****CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: If the Lord’s disciples keep silent,

All: these stones would shout aloud!

One: Lord, open our lips,

All: and our mouths shall proclaim your praise!

****HYMN OF PRAISE 408** “There’s a Sweet, Sweet, Spirit”

PRAYER OF ADORATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Holy God, Maker of all,

All: have mercy on us.

One: Jesus Christ, son of humanity, son of God,

All: have mercy on us.

One: Holy Spirit, breath of life,

All: have mercy on us.

One: Let us in silence turn over our own faults and failings to God.

KYRIE551

Lord have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

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EXCHANGE OF PARDON

One: In the community of Christ's Church and in the presence of all God's people I confess to God that I have sinned in thought, word and deed. I have not loved God, cared for God's world, or respected God's people in all ways. I own my responsibility and pray for God's pardon.

All: May God forgive you, Christ befriend you, and the Spirit renew and change your life.

One: Amen.

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All: Amen.

****GLORIA PATRI** 441, v. 1

Hear the good news of salvation: Jesus died to show God's love.

Such great kindness! Such great mercy! Come to us from heaven above.

Jesus Christ, how much I love you! Jesus Christ, you save from sin!

How I love you! Look up on me. Love me still and cleanse within.

- Proclaiming and Sharing the Word -

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALTER LESSON Psalm 15 (OT, p. 469)

One: Listen for the Word which God has spoken:

All: Speak, Lord, to our speaking. Speak, Lord, to our listening. Speak, Lord, to our souls' deep understanding.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Genesis 25:22-34 (OT, p. 20) ₂

TIME WITH CHILDREN..... "Jesus Loves Me", 188 vs.1
If parents desire, following this time, children 3 years and younger may go to
the Nursery located in the north wing.

VOCAL SOLO..... "Touch the Earth Lightly" - C. Gibson

SERMON "Claiming Our Inheritance"

- Responding to the Word -

****AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**.....from the Confession of Belhar
We believe that God has revealed God's self as the one who wishes to bring about justice and true peace among people; that God, in a world full of injustice and enmity, is in a special way the God of the destitute, the poor and the wronged; that God calls the church to follow God in this; for God brings justice to the oppressed and gives bread to the hungry; that God frees the prisoner and restores sight to the blind; that God supports the downtrodden, protects the stranger, helps orphans and widows and blocks the path of the ungodly; that for God pure and undefiled religion is to visit the orphans and the widows in their suffering; that God wishes to teach the church to do what is good and to seek the right; that the church must therefore stand by people in any form of suffering and need, which implies, among other things, that the church must witness against and strive against any form of injustice, so that justice may roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

****HYMN OF FAITH 122** "God of the Sparrow", vs. 1,3,5,6

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

You can also contribute to this morning's offering at www.stillwaterfpc.org
or mail a check to: First Presbyterian Church, 524 S. Duncan St., Stillwater, OK 74074

OFFERTORY "Abide With Us, Lord Jesus Christ" - J.S. Bach

****DOXOLOGY** 605

**Praise to God the Father; praise to God the Son;
praise to God the Spirit: praise to the Three-in-One.
Sing praise, sing praise to the Lord on high.
Praise to God Almighty; praise to the Holy One.**

****PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

- Bearing and Following Word into the World -

****SENDING HYMN 714** “God of the Fertile Fields”

****CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE..... “Fugue in C Major” - D. Buxtehude

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher **Kati Collins**, *Interim Pastor*
Liturgist **Kay Stewart**
Organist **Michael Bedford**
Cantor **Ainsley Carmichael**
Ushers **Betsy Showalter**
Greeters **Belinda Bruner**
Communicator **Josh Butcher**
Sound Operator **Tom Williams**
Counters **William Cole, David Silver**

MUSIC NOTES BY REBECCA TE VELDE

We again welcome Dr. Michael Bedford as organist this morning! Michael is “retired” from a lengthy tenure as Organist/Choirmaster at St. John’s Episcopal Church in Tulsa, where he is still active as a choir member when not filling in for other organists in the region. He served three terms as President of the American Guild of Organists and is the current dean of the Tulsa AGO chapter. He is in steady demand as a composer and workshop leader and enjoys writing mystery novels in his spare time. Check out his fun murder mysteries on Amazon.com!

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The Communion table flowers are given  
to the Glory of God by Rusty, Caitlyn, Tyler, Louis, Thea, Ethan,  
and Allison in celebration of Denise Rex's birthday.  
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408 There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit

1 There's a sweet, sweet Spir - it in this place, and I
 2 There are bless - ings you can - not re - ceive till you

know that it's the Spir - it of the Lord; there are
 know him in his full - ness and be - lieve; you're the

sweet ex - pres - sions on each face, and I
 one to prof - it when you say, "I am

know they feel the pres - ence of the Lord.
 going to walk with Je - sus all the way."

Refrain

Sweet Ho - ly Spir - it, sweet heav - en - ly Dove, stay right here

with us, fill - ing us with your love; and for these bless - ings we

lift our hearts in praise; with - out a doubt we'll know that we have

been re - vived when we shall leave this place.

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God of the Sparrow

C Em Am Dm G

1 God of the spar - row God of the whale God of the
 2 God of the earth - quake God of the storm God of the
 3 God of the rain - bow God of the cross God of the
 4 God of the hun - gry God of the sick God of the
 5 God of the neigh - bor God of the foe God of the
 6 God of the a - ges God near at hand God of the

C F E7 Am Em F Em

swirl - ing stars How does the crea - ture say Awe
 trum - pet blast How does the crea - ture cry Woe
 emp - ty grave How does the crea - ture say Grace
 prod - i - gal How does the crea - ture say Care
 prun - ing hook How does the crea - ture say Love
 lov - ing heart How do your chil - dren say Joy

Am Dm Gsus G C

How does the crea - ture say Praise
 How does the crea - ture cry Save
 How does the crea - ture say Thanks
 How does the crea - ture say Life
 How does the crea - ture say Peace
 How do your chil - dren say Home

God of the Fertile Fields

714

1 God of the fer - tile fields, shap - er of
 2 We would be stew - ards true, hold - ing in
 3 As grows the hid - den seed to fruit that
 4 God of the coun - try - side, dear to the

earth that yields our dai - ly bread: forth from your
 trust from you all that you give; help us in
 serves our need, so your reign grows. Let all our
 Christ who died to make us one: we pledge our

boun - teous hand come gifts your love has planned,
 love to share, teach us like you to care
 toil be used, no gift of yours a - busied,
 lives a - new in faith - ful love to you.

that all in ev - ery land be clothed and fed.
 for peo - ple ev - ery - where, that all may live.
 no hum - ble task re - fused your love be - stows.
 Guide all we say and do. Your will be done.

You're Invited!

RECEPTION CLOSER-TO-HOME

Katharine Nipp and Andrew Newbury were married in Montana on June 17, 2023 and they are holding a come-and-go reception closer-to-home for friends and family on Sunday, July 16th, from 2:00-4:00pm in the FPC Fellowship Hall. All are invited to attend to wish the couple well as they embark on this new journey together.

For more information, please visit their wedding website: <https://www.zola.com/wedding/katharineandandrew2023>

Suggestions Requested for Church Officers

The 2023 Nominating Committee is beginning the process of selecting nominees for next year's church officers. You are invited to suggest members for nomination to serve as **Deacons, Trustees, and Nominating Committee**. Officers are elected for a three year term (except young adult/youth Elder and Deacon). Please complete this form and place it in the offering plate or in the box in the Narthex.

Deacons are called to witness the Christian faith by providing a ministry of care, compassion, and concern to all members of this congregation, sharing joys and sorrows and supporting in time of stress and need. Deacons are there to help in crisis situations and encourage the congregation's involvement and support in local ministries of service and compassion. (*Constitution of the Presbyterian Church*)

Trustees are responsible for our physical facilities and act as our legal corporate officers.

DEACONS - Class of 2026 (three year term + 1 unexpired two year term) 7 will be nominated; 7 will be elected

I suggest _____;

Young Adult/Youth (under age 25) Deacon (Class of 2024) (1 year term)

I suggest _____

TRUSTEES - Class of 2026 2 will be nominated; 2 will be elected

I suggest _____

NOMINATING COMMITTEE - 2024 10 will be nominated; 5 will be elected for a 1-year term

I would be willing to serve as Elder Deacon Trustee
 Nominating Committee

Name _____

Currently serving Church Officers

2023 Session		2023 Deacons		2023 Trustees
Elders		Deacons		Trustees
Class of 2023		Class of 2023		Class of 2023
Jean Aresco		Josh Butcher		Virginia Charter
Kiah Butcher		Autumn Cagle		Billy McCollom
Cathy Fairbanks		Gary Holland		
Rusty Rex		Betsy Showalter		
Courtney Savage		Janet Waugh		
Jill Stoutzenberger		Stan Waugh		
Vivy Bobo (1 yr)		Ella Parsons (1 yr)		
Class of 2024		Class of 2024		Class of 2023
Ken Belanus		Anne Belanus		Andrea Arquitt
Belinda Bruner		Sharon Bennett		Dennis Ferrell
Judy Ferrell		Mary Beth Garoffolo		
Donna Koeppe		Ava Osborn		
Tim Krehbiel		Gerald Stangl		
John te Velde		Ann Watkins		
Class of 2025		Class of 2025		Class of 2025
Jenny Bobo		Holly Chermack		Larry Caldwell
Cathy Conway		Tim Hardin		William Cole
Lisa McGaw		Ellen Ingram		
Dustin Reavis		Terry Shreve		
David Silver		Aaron Stoutzenberger		
Kathy Thomas		Eric Windhausen		

SAVE THE DATE

JOIN US AS WE BID FAREWELL TO PASTOR JENNY WELLS AS SHE LEAVES FPC TO TAKE A NEW CALL AT CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN KANSAS CITY, MO.

30 JULY
2023

CELEBRATION OF MINISTRY

*12:00 - 2:00 PM
FELLOWSHIP HALL*

This will take the place of the previously scheduled Fellowship Time on July 30th. While there will be a full reception, those with birthdays in September - December are still invited to bring a dish to share.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BRING A CARD FOR PASTOR JENNY, THERE WILL BE A BOX FOR THEM.

- OF NOTE-

Today:

- **Faith and Fellowship** meets in the Multipurpose Room at 9:45 am.
- **One Worship Service** at 11:00 am in the Sanctuary.

This Week:

- **Seasoned Adults** meets Monday at 6:00pm in Fellowship Hall for dinner and a hymn sing led by Pastor Kati Collins and pianist Brett Carver.
- **Summer Bible Study** continues this Wednesday with a potluck dinner at 5:30pm followed by the Bible study from 6:00 - 7:00 pm.

Looking Ahead:

- **Called Congregational Meeting** on Sunday, July 23rd, directly following the 11:00 am service in the Sanctuary.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Lavon Alexander	Cartwright	Kendall Harvey	Kraemer	Our Service Men	Christine Stone
Gary Allen	Paula Cavett	Mary Ann Henley	Karen Krehbiel	& Women	The Stuart Family
Amanda	Nancy Chapa	Lori Henry	Heather Lanners	Frances Phillips	Phyllis Taylor &
Nick Amidon	Allison Christy	Charla Hilger	Hank Lett	Jean Potts	Helen Brake
Shea Arnett	Abby Clapp	Charity Hitch	Tracie Lively	Daniel Powell	Pat Thomason
Christopher	Darlene Collyar	Carolynne	Alyssa Matal	Paul Quarles	Tyler
Aupperle	Conrado and	Hopkins	Larry McDonald	Tim Rains	Upendo Kids
David Awtrey	Miriam	Linda Houck	Stephanie	Lisa Reavis	Nettie Vick
The Baker Family	Andee and	Sharon Hucceby	McMillan	Larry & Margaret	Emily Walker
Luz Barber	Kannon Cooper	Sandy Ives	Philip Meadows	Redburn	Darrell Warren
Baker	Heather Davidson	Patty Jacobs	Steve Miller	Jack Reeves	Marilyn
Betty Bays	Sara Davies	Paul Dean Jenkins	Tresa Miller	Sara Roberts	Waters-Seig
Leola Beckstrom	Matthew Durham	Brenda Johns	Jean Moore	David Schmidly	Lynda Williams
Ann Benson	Lori Fagan	Ted Joy	Anne Mullen	Bill Segall	Scott Williams
Mandy Blackburn	Jeanie Findahl	Patty Keys	Nora Nagaruk	Karen Shippey	Jackie Young
Rose Marie Bligh	Mike Flowers	Patsy King	Chancey	Jeffrey Silver	
Rita Breuninger	Joyce Freeman	Mary Jane	Nickerson	David Smith	<i>Bold means</i>
Helen Britton	Ed Gallegos	Kirchenbauer	Michelle	Ted Smith	<i>recently</i>
Brooks	Lauren Glynn	Margy Knox	Nicholson	Doug Smotone	<i>added</i>
Belinda Bruner	Halana	Pauline Kopecky	Pricilia Nkem	Perry Sneed	
Wayne	Ben Harris	Dottie & Sam	Drew Osborn	Jamie Stephens	

- **Military Service:** Jordan Buterbaugh, Casey Campbell, Justin Fowler, James Greenwald, Matt Krehbiel, Eric Murphy, Miles Smith, and Bryn Williams

- THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH -

TODAY - 7TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

9:45 am Faith & Fellowship *MPR*

11:00 am Worship *SAN/Online/Radio*

2:00 pm Nipp/Newbury Reception..... *FH*

MONDAY

6:00 pm Seasoned Adults *FH*

TUESDAY

3:30 pm Coffee Hour..... *Primrose*

6:00 pm Worship & Music *UR*

WEDNESDAY

9:30 am Second Mile Sewing..... *FH*

10:30 am Staff Meeting..... *UR*

12:10 pm Midweek Prayer *Zoom*

5:30 pm Summer Bible Study & Potluck..... *HA*

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

11:00 am Saturday Brunch Ministry *NFH*

SUNDAY, JULY 23

9:45 am Faith & Fellowship *MPR*

11:00 am Worship..... *SAN/Online/Radio*

12:00 pm Called Congregational Meeting..... *SAN*

Save the Date!

CALLED CONGREGATIONAL MEETING ON SUNDAY, JULY 23RD

Session has called a congregational meeting on Sunday, July 23 at 12:05 pm (immediately following the 11:00 am worship service) for the purpose of acting upon a request from Pastor Jenny Wells and make recommendation to the Cimarron Presbytery that the pastoral relationship be dissolved with last day of active service Sunday, July 30th. Please remain seated following the 11:00am service for this brief Called Congregational Meeting.

Pastor Jenny Wells has accepted the call to serve as the next solo pastor of Central Presbyterian Church in Kansas City, Missouri.

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