



ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP
THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 27th, 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 0-4 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.
- ✝ Please record your name and address on the Ministry of Friendship (red folder at the end

- Gathering Around the Word -

PRELUDE "My Hope Is Built" and "Built on a Rock" - W. Held

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 INTRADA.....on Llanfair– R. te Velde

****CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: We gather as the body of Christ.

All: We are many individuals, but together we are one.

One: Each of us has our own gifts, our own calling, our own role,

All: but all of us proclaim Jesus Christ is the Messiah!

****HYMN OF PRAISE 33** "Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show"

****PRAYER OF ADORATION**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *in unison*

Almighty God, when faced with earthly powers that seem overwhelming, we crumble. We fear this world. We fear losing our status, our stability, our station more than we fear you. Forgive our shortcomings and teach us to trust in you when we take a risk for what we know is right.

* Please stand as you are able

KYRIE 286 v. 2

**Breathe on me, Breath of God; until my heart is pure,
until with thee I will one will, to do and to endure.**

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

One: If God was not on our side, we could not stand in the judgment. But God is with us, steadfast and faithful, as we seek to live in peace.

All: **In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

****GLORIA PATRI** 645 v. 1

**Sing praise to God, who reigns above, the God of all creation,
the God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation.
With healing balm my soul is filled, and every faithless murmur stilled:
to God all praise and glory!**

- Proclaiming and Sharing the Word -

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

EPISTLE LESSON Romans 12:1-8 (NT, p. 151)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Exodus 1:8-22 (OT, p. 47)

TIME WITH CHILDREN 'Jesus Loves Me'

If parents desire, following this time, children 4 years and younger may go to the Nursery located in the north wing. Children & Worship for children 3yrs to 3rd grade meets in the Westminster Room (south end of first floor).

ANTHEM "Praise to the Lord" - arr. A. Whitehead

SERMON "When Yes Means No"

- Responding to the 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 OF FAITH 69 "Here I Am, Lord"

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 "Flourish" - W. Held

****DOXOLOGY**606

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

****PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

- Bearing and Following Word into the World -

****SENDING HYMN 353** "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

****CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDEToccata on *Llanfair* - R. Groom te Velde

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher **Susan Ross**

Assisting **Kati Collins, Interim Pastor**

Liturgist **Denise Rex**

Director of Music & Organist **Rebecca te Velde**

Greeters **Dennis & Judy Ferrell**

Ushers **Charlotte Reavis, Elaina Savage,
Kathy Thomas**

Sound Operator **Tom Williams**

Counters **Judy Ferrell, Jenny Bobo**

33 Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show

(Psalm 150)

1 Praise the Lord! God's glo - ries show,
2 Earth to heaven ex - alt the strain, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 Strings and voic - es, hands and hearts,

saints with - in God's courts be - low,
Send it, heaven, to earth a - gain, Al - le - lu - ia!
in the con - cert, bear your parts,

an - gels round the throne a - bove,
Age to age, God's mer - cies trace, Al - le - lu - ia!
All that breathes, your Lord a - dore,

all who see and share God's love.
Praise God's prov - i - dence and grace! Al - le - lu - ia!
sing - ing praise for - ev - er - more,

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

Here I Am, Lord

G Am D G C G D
Leader or All

1 I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
 2 I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
 3 I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

G Em C Am7 D G

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way. I will
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Fin - est

Am D G C G D

made the stars of night, I will make their dark - ness bright.
 break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
 bread I will pro - vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.

G Em C Am7 C/G D D7

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Refrain
 All G C G D G C G D G

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you

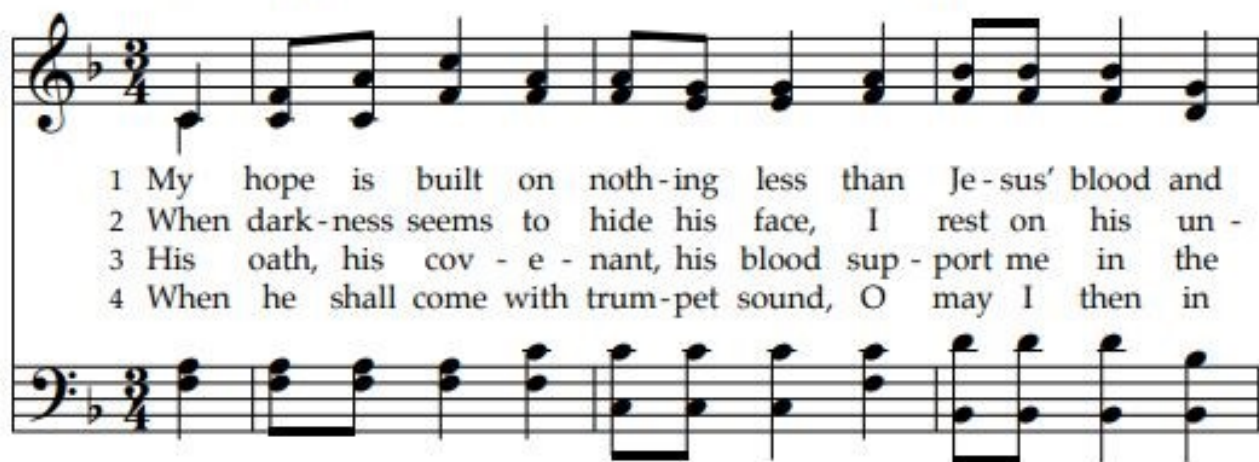
Am7 G Am7 D G C G C

call - ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you

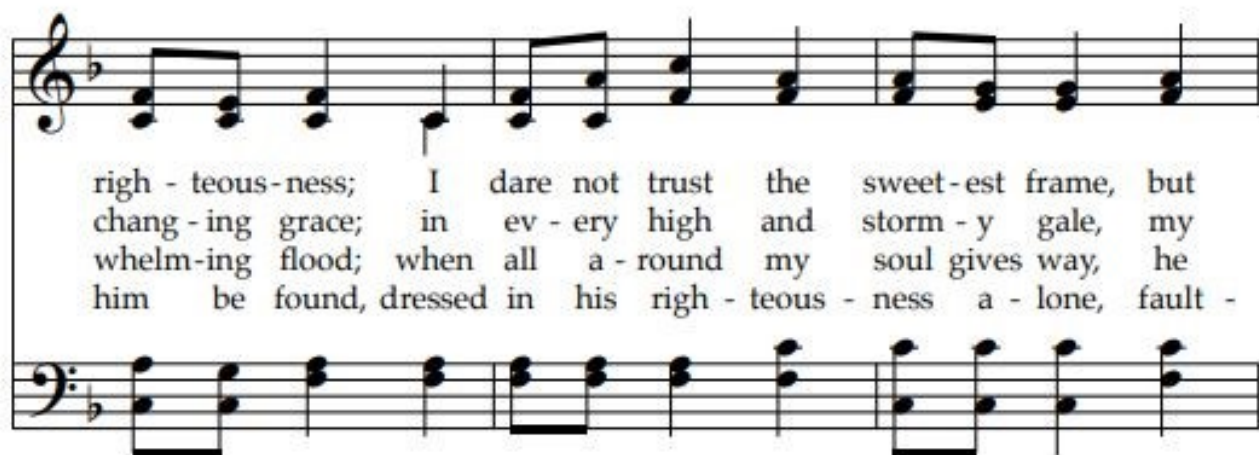
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lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less 353

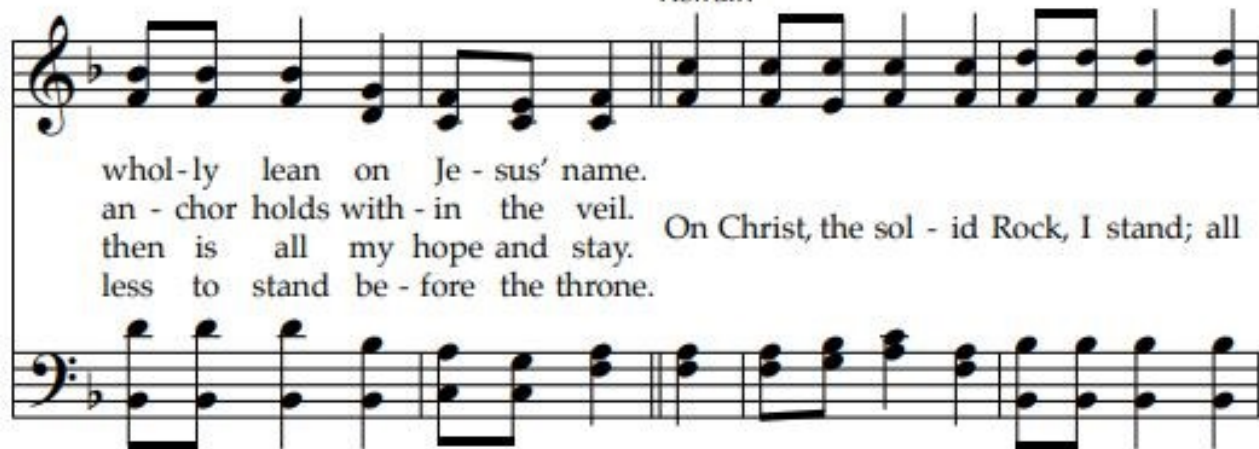


1 My hope is built on noth-ing less than Je-sus' blood and
2 When dark-ness seems to hide his face, I rest on his un-
3 His oath, his cov-e-nant, his blood sup-port me in the
4 When he shall come with trum-pet sound, O may I then in




righteous-ness; I dare not trust the sweet-est frame, but
chang-ing grace; in ev-ery high and storm-y gale, my
whelm-ing flood; when all a-round my soul gives way, he
him be found, dressed in his right-eous-ness a-lone, fault-

Refrain



whol-ly lean on Je-sus' name.
an-chor holds with-in the veil. On Christ, the sol-id Rock, I stand; all
then is all my hope and stay.
less to stand be-fore the throne.



oth-er ground is sink-ing sand; all oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

Check out all our current Job Openings via the QR code or visiting our website, www.stillwaterfpc.org/job-openings. Know someone who would be a good fit? Send them the link!



Seeking Temporary Pastoral Care Associate applicants

The Personnel Committee is excited to announce a new position, a Temporary Pastoral Care Associate. This part-time position will help provide support to Pastor Kati and our staff, and assist in providing care to our community and congregation during this time of transition. In response to recent budget concerns and recommendations from The Growth and Sustainability Taskforce, the Personnel Committee has worked hard to reevaluate different roles and responsibilities within the church. This temporary position will help to fill the void left in the absence of an Associate Pastor and allow us more time to see how we can best move forward. Please see the full job description on our website for more details and feel free to reach out to the Personnel Committee if you have any questions. Deadline to apply will be Tuesday, September 5th by 5:00 pm. Please send resume with cover letter to search@stillwaterfpc.org and include "Temporary Pastoral Care Associate" in subject line.

- OF NOTE -

Today:

- **Two In-Person Worship Services at 8:30 am and 11:00 am**
- **Sunday School classes for all ages at 9:45 am**
 - ◇ **Children 4yrs - 5th grade** meet in the Worship Center (middle north end of first floor) at 9:45 am before dispersing to their classrooms. Parents may pick them up at 10:45 am in the Worship Center.
 - ◇ **Youth (6th-12th graders)** meet for Sunday School in the Youth Suite (north end of second floor)
 - ◇ **One offering for adult classes**
 - ✦ **Faith and Fellowship** meets in the Multipurpose Room.
 - ✦ **Feasting on the Word** meets in the Upper Room (south end of 2nd floor)
- **PYG (Presbyterian Youth)** meet from 5:00 - 6:30 pm in the Youth Suite. All youth grades 6-12 are invited to attend.

Looking Ahead:

- **One Unified Worship Service** on Sunday, September 3rd, at 11:00 am. Sunday School classes will meet as usual at 9:45 am.
- **UKIRK Lunch Out** will be directly after the 11:00 am service on September 3rd. Meet in the Narthex and join us for lunch in town!
- **The Church Office will be closed** on Monday, September 4th, in observance of Labor Day.

PRAYER CONCERNS

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



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH OF STILLWATER

UNIFIED WORSHIP SCHEDULE

On designated Sundays this fall, we will join together for one worship service at 11:00 am. Sunday School classes will still meet at 9:45 am on these Sundays.

- **September 3:** Labor Day Weekend
- **October 1:** World Communion Sunday (worship in Fellowship Hall)
- **October 29:** Reformation & Commitment Sunday
- **November 5:** All Saints' Day (observed)
- **November 26:** Christ the King Sunday/Thanksgiving Sunday

MUSIC NOTES BY REBECCA TE VELDE

Prelude: Wilbur Held (1914-2015) had a very full and long career as a church organist and director, performer, composer, and organ professor at The Ohio State University. He then “retired” to Claremont, California, where he played and composed for several more decades. These two prelude pieces are based on hymns that feature the imagery of God as a rock. First is his setting of hymn #353 in *Glory to God*, which tune name is *The Solid Rock*. Then is his setting of the Norwegian hymn “Built on a Rock the Church Shall Stand”.

Offertory: “Flourish” is a whimsical, short, quirky piece that calls to mind the character of the composer himself, and brings an unusual meaning to its title. Let its free, changing rhythms and unusual progressions lead mind and spirit to prayer and contemplation.

Postlude: In the first section of this Toccata, the hymn melody is interwoven in the manual figurations, after which it is stated clearly in the pedal line. Later, the rhythmic patterns speed up with a return to the opening motives, building to a climactic final statement of the last “Alleluia!” on full organ.

Anthem: This is Alfred Whitehead’s great setting of this German tune, hymn #35 in *Glory to God*. The text is translated from the German by Katherine Winkworth and others. You are invited to sing the melody of verse 4 with the choir! (printed below)

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!

All that hath life and breath come now with praises before Him!

Let the amen Sound from His people again:

Gladly for aye we adore Him. Amen.

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