

First Presbyterian Church of Stillwater, Oklahoma PC(USA)

Order of Worship

12th Sunday after Pentecost

August 16, 2026 - 11:00 A.M.



Everyone is welcome here! God loves you, and so will we. God's grace is for all.

- We welcome children of all ages in worship! We believe that all children are gifts from God and wiggles and giggles are part of that. Restrooms are equipped with changing tables. If parents prefer, our nursery is open for ages 0-4 in the Preschool's Cricket Room (north end of the main building). All staff are background checked, as are our volunteers.
- In the Narthex is a liturgical library with items to help worshipers of all ages engage with the service. Select which items you would like to use, place them in a small black bag from the left side if you wish, and please return your bag with the items to the basket beneath the display at the end of worship.
- If you or your family find attending worship in the Sanctuary causes sensory overload, we have two sensory spaces available for neurodivergent individuals to utilize while enjoying a livestream of the worship service. The first sensory room, geared toward children and those with higher support needs, is located next to the restrooms down the south first-floor hallway. The second sensory room, geared toward teens, adults, and those with lower support needs, is located in the Worship Center.
- Throughout the service, at the **, each person is invited to stand in body or in spirit.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude

Welcome

Announcements

Minute for Fellowship

Prayer of the Day**

God of boundless mercy... ..Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Call to Worship**

(Psalm 67)

One: May God... ..among all nations.

All: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

One: Let the nations... ..upon earth.

All: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

One: The earth.... ..blessed us.

All: May God continue to bless us; let all the ends of the earth revere him.

Hymn of Praise 737**

Lord Jesus, You Shall be my Song

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, your world cries out. The fruits of our disobedience are harming your creation. You tasked us to be good stewards of your creation and we have fallen short. You challenged us to love God and love our neighbor, and we have failed to show that love. You promise to bring all people joyfully together in a house of prayer on your holy mountain. We find ways to stay apart.

Bring us together, O Lord. Empower us with a spirit of love for you and love for all our neighbors. Help us live lives of service to you so that all your children will know your peace.

Forgive us when we fall short and continue to transform your world, leading us to your promised kingdom. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Kyrie**

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Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us. (repeat)

Assurance of Pardon**

Paul writes: "I ask... ..we are forgiven. **Amen.**"

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen, amen.

Passing the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination**

(Isaiah 56:1)

Scripture Reading

Genesis 45:1-15

Then Joseph could no... ..brothers talked with him.

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

Scripture Reading

Matthew 15: (10-20, 21-28)

Then he called... ..was healed instantly.

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

Time with Children

Jesus Loves Me, GTG 188

Sermon

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Affirmation of Faith**

(The Confession of 1967, inclusive language ed.)

God's sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of the human mind. Human thought ascribes to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But God reveals divine love in Jesus Christ by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful men and women. The power of God's love in Christ to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of God's love. Amen.

Hymn of Faith 309**

Come, Great God of All the Ages

Prayers of the People

(Isaiah 56, Psalm 67, Romans 11, Matthew 15)

Congregation Responses:

Let the peoples praise you, O God; **let all the peoples praise you.**

We ask all ofpray, saying, **"Our Father..."**

All: 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.
All: Amen.

Invitation to Discipleship and call for the offering

Doxology**

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To God the Father, God the Son, And Holy Spirit, Three in one,
may every tongue and nation raise
an endless song of thankful praise. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

(Isaiah 56:7)

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

Sending Hymn 769**

For Everyone Born

Charge and Benediction**

Postlude

The Communion table flowers are given to the glory of God by Kirsten
Hoffman in celebration of Archer Fullerton's Confirmation



Preacher: Pastor Peter Olson
 Liturgist: Kay Stewart
 Organist: Lucia Unrau
 Counters: Ted Kniering & Becky Taylor

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The Deacons' Prayer List 8/13/26

Health/Personal	Health/Personal	Health/Personal	Military
Dorothy Akin	Mona Haney (Chermack)	Larry Redburn	Felicity Bruner
Betty Bays	Kirsten Hoffman	Heather Rine (Seals)	Casey Campbell
Jordan Bigelow	Denise Houston (Houston)	Michelle Scheible (Hearn)	Justin Fowler
Blake & April (D Baker)	Tami Krehbiel's Mom	Carol Schmitt (Arquitt)	Matt Krehbiel
Rita Breuninger	Doug Legler (N Beckstrom)	Danielle Shreve	Miles Smith
Norma Burk	Cassidy Lyons (N Beckstrom)	Roger Stevens (Garoffolo)	
J.T. Cotter (J Holland)	Jerry Lambdin	Connie Stiegler	
Connie Dixon (Yost)	Nancy Martz	Bill Tearney	
The Edwards Family	Nathan Moore (Stangl)	Lynda Williams	
Mary Emmet	Bonny Mullen	Valerie Zayat-Bloodgood	
Bennett Frohock	Osten Utley 'Oz' (Charter)	(Houston)	
Tom Gent (Shreve)	Jase Tanton		

Sunday August 16th	Monday August 17th	Tuesday August 18th
9:15AM Meditation - WC	10:30AM Chair Yoga - FH	5:30PM Session Meeting - MPR
9:45AM Sunday School	7:00PM Scouts - WC, Scouts & FH	
9:45AM Coffee & Fellowship - HA		
11:00am Worship Service - SAN		
3:00PM Organ Recital - SAN		

Wednesday August 19th	Thursday August 20th	Friday August 21st
9:30AM 2nd Mile Sewing - FH	12:10PM Chair Yoga - FH	4:30PM Troop 888/2820 Potluck-FH
11:30AM Hideaway Men - Hideaway	2:00PM Stephen Ministry- LIB	7:00PM Youth @ Frios
12:00PM ROMEO's - HA		
4:00PM Trustees - YS		

Saturday August 22nd	Sunday August 23rd	FPC Room Abbreviation Key
11:00AM Saturday Brunch	9:15AM Meditation - WC	FH = Fellowship Hall HA= Hospitality Area
12:15PM Shower Appointments	9:45AM Sunday School	LIB = Library (201) MPR = Multipurpose Rm
5:00PM Adult & Fell. Pinic - FH	9:45AM Coffee & Fellowship - HA	SAN = Sanctuary WC = Worship Center
	11:00am Worship Service - SAN	WR = Westminster Room YS = Youth Suite
		SR = Sensory Room
		PYG = Presbyterian Youth Group (6th-12th)



Organ Recital – Sunday, August 16 at 3:00pm

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Organists Lucia Unrau, Brett Carver, and Rebecca te Velde will perform an hour-long concert to celebrate the FPC pipe organ's 70th birthday year and its recently completed renovation. Admission is free and all (all ages!) are invited. Of particular note: video projection will allow the audience to watch the performers via a camera at the organ console! A reception will follow afterwards in the Hospitality area, generously provided by Presbyterian Women.

Please join us, and invite friends to this festive concert!



Children & Worship begins on Sunday August 23rd

Children ages 3 years old through 3rd grade are invited to join us for a special worship experience designed just for them!

Children will meet in the Westminster Room, located to the left as you exit the Sanctuary.

We are so excited to worship, learn and grow together!



Our group meditation will resume August 9th at 9:15a.m. in the Worship Center. If you are a seasoned contemplative, midway on the path, or merely curious, please join us.



Presbyterian Women Bible Study resumes September 9th at 10 a.m.

Reach out to Lisa McGaw lmcgaw@me.com or Andrea Arquitt andrea.arquitt@okstate.edu for more information.



Do you have a heart for serving others, or are you looking for a way to get involved at the church? We'd love to hear from you! If you're interested in volunteering—or if you have a volunteer need—please reach out to Kristyn in the Church Office kristyn.yerger@stillwaterfpc.org or (405) 372-5580