

Worship on the Lord's Day
First Presbyterian Church of Ada, Oklahoma

September 25th, 2022 16th Sunday after Pentecost

10:45 AM

We Gather

Welcome and Announcements

Mindy Choate

Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you!

**Lighting of the Christ Candles,
and Prelude**

Fynn Holman and Lindsey Holman
Theme from Fantasie Impromptu
Miriam Kast White

F. Chopin

The Greeting

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

***Call to Worship, Responsive**

After a laborious week, and on the rest day, and before another laborious week, we have come to worship God.

Every day, whether of work or rest, is a gift.

We seek God's guidance.

We offer any burdens that weigh us down.

Let us tune our hearts and voices in God's praise.

May our voices bear our joy because of God's love for us!

Come, let us worship.

Let us worship, indeed!

Hymn 619 – *Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven

***Invitation to Confession**

1 John 1:8-9

***Prayer of Confession, Unison**

Book of Common Worship

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought,
word, and deed,**

by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength.

We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

(continue in a time of personal confession)

Hymn 576 – *Lord, Have Mercy

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on us.

***Assurance of Pardon**

2 Cor. 5:17

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life
has begun.

Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

This new creation will receive every blessing and be every blessing.

Glory be to God! Amen.

***Call to Renewal**

Matthew 22:37-40

When asked which commandment in the law is the greatest, Jesus said,
“‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your
soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and first
commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as

yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Thanks be to God! Amen.

Hymn 582 – *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

***Affirmation of Faith**

Apostles' Creed [front-page 35 of hymnal]

We Hear the Word

Children's Time

Karen Walters

Bible Readings

Psalm 1 [OT p489]

Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers; but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.

The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

Bible Readings

John 7:37-39 [NT p100]

On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive; for as yet there was no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

Message

Scott White

We Respond

Prayer, and The Lord's Prayer (*saying "debts" and "debtors"*)

Hymn 451 – *Open My Eyes, That I May See

Anthem

The First Psalm

Pepper Choplin

Blessed are the ones who do not follow the counsel of the wicked, nor follow in the way that sinners tread, nor join with scoffers.

But they delight in the Word of the Lord, and they meditate on it through the day and night. Blessed are the ones who love the Lord.

Blessed are the ones like the trees that are planted by the flowing river. They will bear good fruit. They will not wither, they prosper in all they do.

For they delight in the Word of the Lord, and they meditate on it through the day and night, the day and night. Blessed are the ones who love the Lord.

The Lord watches over their way. The Lord watches over the righteous.

Oh, blessed are the ones, the ones who love the Lord.

Blessed are the ones who will listen to words of wisdom, who follow in the way of the pure and join with the faithful.

For they delight in the Word of the Lord, and they meditate on it through the day and night, the day and night. Blessed are the ones who love the Lord.

Offerings, and Offertory

Adagio

W.A. Mozart

Hymn 606 – *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

***Offering Prayer, Unison**

Faithful Giver of Life, praise, you have done great things for us!

In the life and teaching of your Son Jesus, you welcome us into your

heart.

Let our hearts be open to others, that we may be ever more willing to offer, in grace, our hospitality, our support, and our resources wherever they are needed.

Speed our offerings to honor you, the Faithful Giver of Life! Amen.

We Bless Each Other on the Way

**Hymn 542 – God Be with You Till We Meet Again*

**Benediction, Spoken*

**Benediction, Sung – The Lord Bless and Keep You*

The LORD bless and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine on you and be gracious, gracious.

The LORD bless and keep you; the LORD lift his countenance on you and give peace, give you peace, shalom, amen.

**Postlude*

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

M. Broughton

**Please stand in body and/or in spirit*



WELCOME to First Presbyterian Church. We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us today.

SERVING TODAY

Greeter: Karah Thompson

Acolytes: Fynn Holman and Lindsey Holman

Liturgist: Mindy Choate

Children's Time: Karen Walters

Offering: Brooke Holman, Fynn Holman and Lindsey Holman

Video: Terry Holman

Sound: Libby Holman

Worship Committee Member of the Month: Johnna Isaacs

Elder of the Month: Amy Elliott

THE FLOWERS ON THE CHANCEL are given to the glory of God in honor of Joe Peshehonoff's birthday by Carol Peshehonoff.

TO REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS Dian Maloy, recovery from compound fractured ankle; B.J. Thompson, recovery from heart procedure; Barbara Isaacs, Justin's Mother; Mary and Tom Hampton, continuing health concerns; Margaret Lillard, lung cancer; Lillian Kroeker; Amanda Wells; Jo Neman; Eric Steger; Chris Gurley; the people of Ukraine; all involved in war; Jane Baltimore; Mary Jean Mayhue; Leora Gallup.

NOTES AND NEWS

PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS SEASON This PC(USA) special offering opportunity runs from September 4th–October 2nd, World Communion Sunday. Its purpose is to promote the peace of Christ by facing systems of injustice both globally and locally. 25% of your giving stays with our congregation for local efforts, 25% combines with mid council offerings for regional efforts and 50% supports the same goal by Presbyterians globally. To date, you have raised \$325.00; thank you!

SESSION MEETING TODAY at noon in the hall of Westminster Fellowship Center. Members are always welcome to attend and observe. Session agendas are posted beforehand to the "Staying Connected" page of the church website. Session minutes are also posted there.

COMPASSION OUTREACH FPC's turn to provide sack lunches is this Tuesday, September 27th. If you would like to lend a hand in preparing sack lunches please contact Kurt Jackson for more details.

ABBA'S TABLES FPC's turn to serve at Abba's Tables is coming up Thursday, October 6th. If you are led to help with this community outreach please contact Cheryl Weems for more information.

NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN THE CHOIR We'd love to have you; rehearsals are a bangy, noisy, good time, and they are at 5:15pm Wednesdays.

FPC'S COVID POLICY: please follow the Centers for Disease Control guidelines and recommendations for keeping yourself and others safe; found online at: [cdc.gov](https://www.cdc.gov).

WEEKLY RECURRING EVENTS

Choir Rehearsal: Wednesday, 5:15-6:15pm, Music Room

Bible Study with Buddy Baltimore: Wednesday, 6:00-7:00pm, Church Parlor

Church School for All Ages: Sunday, 9:30-10:30am

Worship: Sunday, 10:45 am

Nursery open and staffed for children: Sunday, 9am-12noon

BIRTHDAYS

Amy Mayhue – September 25th William Rauch – September 25th

Cara Sue Waters – September 25th Erica Vargas – September 27th

Logan Rothrock – 29th Don Clark – September 30th

Joe Peshehonoff – September 30th Vestel Cole – October 1st

Cheryl Weems – October 1st