



# ***Living Into Pentecost!***

*Now may the God of hope fill you  
with all joy and peace in believing,  
that you may abound in Hope  
by the power of the Holy Spirit.*

*Romans 15:1*

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*Called to make fully-devoted followers of Jesus Christ:  
Inwardly Strong  
and  
Outwardly Focused.*

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JUNE 6, 2021

11:00 AM

SANCTUARY

*First Presbyterian Church of Tulsa  
Born by grace in 1885*

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*11:00 a.m., Sanctuary*

## **The Words of Preparation**

The promises of God's grace are signed and sealed to us in our baptism. In baptism, God promises by grace alone to forgive our sins, to adopt us into the Body of Christ, to send the Holy Spirit daily to renew us, and to bring His Kingdom.

This is the good news that comes through the grace and mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ. His promise is made visible in the water of baptism, water which cleanses, purifies, refreshes, sustains.

As Jesus has said: *"I am the living water."*

## **The Welcome**

Dr. Miller

## **The Introit**

### **We Are One in the Spirit**

ST. BRENDAN'S

*Jaclyn Metcalf, stanza 1; ensemble, stanza 2*

*Congregation stands and joins on stanzas 3 and 4*

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord! And we pray that all unity may one day be restored.

*And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our Love!*

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand, and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land. *Refrain*

We will work with each other, we will work side by side; we will work with each other, we will work side by side. And we'll guard each one's dignity, and save each one's pride. *Refrain.*

All praise to the Father from Whom all things come, and all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son, and all praise to the Spirit, Who makes us one! *Refrain.*

## **The Welcome of New Members**

As the Apostle Paul encourages us: “Do you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead?”

**I do.**

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn away from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world?

**I do.**

Will you be a faithful disciple, obeying Jesus’ word and showing His love?

**I will, with God’s help.**

Will you be a faithful member of this congregation, sharing in its worship and ministry through your prayers, gifts, study and service, and so fulfill your calling to be a disciple of Jesus Christ?

**I will, with God’s help.**

## **The Prayer for Blessing**

### **The Call to Worship**

Little flock, hear the good news: the life-giving grace of our Lord Jesus Christ is present in this House of Prayer!

**His grace brims with a mercy that’s greater than all our sin!**

It has the power to deepen our gratitude and awaken our hearts: to know Him, to love Him, and to serve others in His Name!

**Amen! Even so come, Lord Jesus!**

Come, stand in honor, lift your voices and sing of His matchless grace,

**Alleluia! Amen!**

◆ **The Hymn**                      Wonderful Grace of Jesus

Wonderful grace of Jesus, greater than all my sin; how shall my tongue describe it, where shall its praise begin? Taking away my burden, setting my spirit free, for the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me!

*Wonderful the matchless grace of Jesus, deeper than the mighty rolling sea, higher than a mountain, sparkling like a fountain, all-sufficient grace for even me! Broader than the scope of my transgressions, greater far than all my sin and shame, O magnify the precious name of Jesus, praise his name!*

Wonderful grace of Jesus, reaching to all the lost, by it I have been pardoned, saved to the uttermost. Chains have been torn asunder, giving me liberty, for the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me. *Refrain.*

Wonderful grace of Jesus, reaching the most reviled, by its transforming power making me God's dear child, purchasing peace and heaven for all eternity, for the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me. *Refrain.*

◆ **The Prayer of Adoration**                      Katie Ragland, *Ignite Intern*

**The Old Testament Reading** Psalm 139:1-12 Alexis Milford-Rosales  
*Heather Davis Intern*

**The Blessing of the Young Disciples**                      The Rev. Dan Hutchinson

**The Sacrament of Baptism**                      Co-Clerk Amy Scheiper  
*Nicholas Daniel McMillan*

## **The Baptismal Charge and Benediction:**

*Nicholas Daniel McMillan:* Hear the words of the apostle: “Lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.” Ephesians 4:1-2

And may the God of peace make you holy in every way and may your whole being – spirit, soul, and body – be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Thess. 5:23

## **The Prayer for Blessing**

### ◆ **The Response**

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,  
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!

He breaks the power of reigning sin, He sets the prisoner free;  
His blood can make the sinner clean; His blood availed for me!

To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever given, by saints  
below and saints above, the Church in earth and heaven!

### ◆ **The 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.

**The New Testament Reading** Acts 2:42-47

The believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need.

Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people.

And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

**The Sermon** What Constitutes Christian Unity? (1) Dr. Jim Miller

*They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching..... Acts 2:42*

**The Anthem** In Christ Alone arr. David Angerman

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song. This cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease! My comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless Babe! This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save. 'Til on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied. For every sin on Him was laid, here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the World by darkness slain. Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again! And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me. For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me. From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand. 'Til He returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

## **The Joys and Concerns of the Church**

### **The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer**

#### **◆ The Hymn                      To God Be the Glory**

To God be the glory, great things He has done! So loved He the world that He gave us His Son Who yielded His life an atonement for sin and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice! O come to the Father through Jesus the Son, and give Him the glory: great things He has done!*

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood, to every believer the promise of God. The vilest offender who truly believes, that moment from Jesus a pardon receives! *Refrain.*

Great things He has taught us, great things He has done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son. But purer, and higher, and

greater will be our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.  
*Refrain.*

◆ **The Charge and Benediction**

◆ **The Postlude**                      Improvisation on the tune ST. BRENDAN'S

◆ Please Stand

***Worship Notes***

**We're glad to welcome you** in this season of Pentecost. We gather to exalt Jesus, receive His Spirit, and serve in His name. A warm welcome to each one who might be gathering here for the first time. May you sense the presence of Christ and the embrace of His Church!

Next week, and for the summer months, our Sunday worship includes four weekly services:

**8:30 a.m.** – Contemporary Worship – Stephenson Hall

**11:00 a.m.** – Traditional Worship – Sanctuary

Also broadcast on ***Livestream.com***, our ***Facebook*** page,  
and at 11:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. on Cox Channel 3.

***Livestream.com/FirstChurchTulsa***

***Facebook.com/FirstChurchTulsa***

**11:00 a.m.** – Tulsa International Fellowship Worship - Great Hall  
(See above for Livestream and Facebook links.)

**5:00 p.m.** – Vespers – Camp Loughridge  
(Regular Sunday Evening Worship)

**The flowers in today's Sanctuary worship** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Edward R. Patterson, given by Frances and Lindsay Patterson.

**Thank you for your faithful support** of the ministries of First Church! Weekly tithes and offerings to the Lord may be given electronically at [firstchurchtulsa.org](http://firstchurchtulsa.org) or text 405-276-4141.

**For those who need hearing assistance** in the Sanctuary, audio headsets are available from the ushers.

**Most hospitals are now open for visitors –but we may not know if you or someone you love is hospitalized.** Please notify the church if there is a pastoral need, change of address/phone number or other important family news. Contact Kathy Wilson at 918-301-1029 or [kwilson@firstchurchtulsa.org](mailto:kwilson@firstchurchtulsa.org).

### **PARISH REGISTER**

**Prayers for Healing:** Challa Ashlock, Jane Azlin, Billy Boyd, Pat Brown, Roy Cail, Joan Hastings Camp, Dwight Creveling, Marilyn Davis, Donna Droege, Wandie and Mary Fitzpatrick, Pat Ford, Caroline Fravel Jones, Cynthia Hill-Meriwether, Mike Hopkins, Meg Hubler, Harvey Hunt, Maggie Jones, Joyce Kunkel, Annelle Lanford, Amy Lesh, Laurence Mansur, Bob Matthews, Jo Matthews, Jan Miller, Rosemary Priest, Janie Quint, Carly Rivers, Zach Rivers, Mary Ruddle, Susan Shults, Robert Shaw, Helen Marie Sisler, Cissy Ssettimba, Sally Stewart, Bill Weinrich, and Jack Williams.

**The Joy of New Life – We Welcome:** Georgia Burke Moore, daughter of Paige and Keith Moore, was born on April 29.

**Sympathy and Prayers to:** Cheryl Arthur on the death of her father, Floyd Stevens, on May 26; and Brad Swan on the death of his brother, Dr. Bryan Swan.

### **First Church Updates**

**We're glad to welcome each of you** in worship this morning! If you're new to First Church, please feel free to check out any of the Sunday morning gatherings –and remember: all the weekly activities are open to all.

**The Pastor's Class**, led by Dr. Miller, meets in the Stephenson Hall each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. We are currently making our way through C. S. Lewis' *Mere Christianity*.

**Young Adult Community Nights** will begin on Monday, June 7. Join us throughout the summer on Monday nights for fellowship and fun. More details can be found at *Young Adult Ministries @FPC* on Facebook or by contacting Elizabeth DeVore at [eldevore7@gmail.com](mailto:eldevore7@gmail.com) or 918-728-5327.

**All women of the church are invited** to join for a Presbyterian Women's Bible study and lunch on Thursday, June 17, at noon in the Miller Library. Contact Betty Price with any questions: 918-301-1039 or [bprice@firstchurchtulsa.org](mailto:bprice@firstchurchtulsa.org).

**The Children's Ministry remains grateful** for the ways in which this congregation is wrapping Jesus' arms around His lambs! Many leaders have returned to serve from 9:30 to 10:45 a.m. on Sunday mornings. If you'd like to add your arms to this ministry, please call Courtney Miller, 918-301-1009. There are many rotational models into which you could fit.

**Dr. Miller begins his sabbatical on Tuesday, June 22.** He plans to finish writing his book and share time with his extended family. He's due to return in the early part of September. Thank you for your ongoing prayers and support.

**The Rev. Dan Hutchinson celebrates his ninth anniversary** with us this year. The Session, recognizing his gifts and faithfulness, has happily changed his title to *Senior Associate Pastor*. He will have Head-of-Staff responsibilities during Dr. Miller's sabbatical.

**FPC University Ministries:** Join us at *Gather* this Tuesday from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. for community, fun, and food at the Metcalf home: 3850 S. Florence Place. (Follow us at [@ukirktulsa](https://www.instagram.com/ukirktulsa) for updates.)

**Glimpses of Grace** (previously known as Autobiographies of Grace) – Sundays, June 20, 27, July 4, 11 at 9:30 a.m. in Stephenson Hall. Please join us as members of the First Church community share their personal testimonies of how Jesus Christ has been at work in and through their lives.

## COME, GROW YOUR FAITH!

*Adult Classes for NEXT Sunday, 9:30 a.m.*

### On Site:

Covenanters	<i>Lies My Preacher Told Me</i>	E205
Faith and Family	<i>Symbol or Substance?</i> Eric and Lydia Olson	Prayer Room
Pastor's Study	<i>Mere Christianity</i> , Dr. Jim Miller	Stephenson Hall
Reflections	<i>II Corinthians</i>	E103
Sojourners (All Ages)	<i>Bible Study</i> , Duff Points	E204

### On Site and Zoom:

The Vine (Singles/couples)	<i>Acts</i>	E100
Young Adults (20's and 30's)	<i>I Corinthians</i> , Rev. Dan Hutchinson	E202

## EVENTS THIS WEEK

### Today 6/6/21

8:30 a.m.	Worship, Stephenson
9:30 a.m.	Gatherings and Classes
11:00 a.m.	Worship, Sanctuary and Great Hall
5:00 p.m.	Vespers

### Monday 6/7/21

Guy's Monday Bible Study	11:45 a.m., E103
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### Tuesday 6/8/21

Precept Bible Study	9:30 a.m., E100
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### Wednesday 6/9/21

Pastor's Study	11:30 a.m., E104 <i>Mere Christianity</i> , C. S. Lewis
WNDR Dinner	5:15 p.m., Stephenson Hall
Life Groups	6:00 p.m.
Choir Ensemble Rehearsal	6:45 p.m., Choir Room

### Thursday 6/10/21

Hearts for the Lord	10:00 a.m., Zoom
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### Saturday 6/12/21

Before the Rooster Crows	8:45 a.m., E103
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June 6, 2021  
Sanctuary

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