



***The People
of
God in Worship***

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

**ALL SAINTS DAY
NOVEMBER 1, 2020
8:30 AM
STEPHENSON HALL**

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

All Saints Day

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 a.m. Stephenson Hall

The Words of Preparation

Q. 55: What do you understand by “the communion of the saints”?

A. First, that believers one and all, as members of this community, share in Christ and in all His treasures and gifts. Second, that each member should consider it a duty to use these gifts readily and joyfully for the service and enrichment of the other members.

Heidelberg Catechism, 1563

The Welcome and Call to Worship

◆ **The Songs of Praise** For All the Saints SINE NOMINE

For all the saints who from their labors rest, who Thee by faith
before the world confessed; Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

You were their Rock, their Fortress, and their Might; You, Lord,
their Captain in the well-fought fight; You, in the darkness drear,
their one true Light. Alleluia, Alleluia!

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long, steals on the ear
the distant triumph song, and hearts are brave again, and arms
are strong. Alleluia, Alleluia!

But when there breaks a yet more glorious day; the saints
triumphant rise in bright array; the King of glory passes on His
way. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Lift High the Name of Jesus

Lift high the name of Jesus, of Jesus our King. Make known the power of His grace, the beauty of His peace. Remember how His mercy reached and we cried out to Him. He lifted us to solid ground, to freedom from our sin.

Oh sing my soul, and tell all He's done, till the earth and heavens are filled with His glory!

Lift high the name of Jesus, of Jesus our Lord. His power in us is greater than, is greater than this world. To share the reason for our hope, to serve with love and grace, that all who see Him shine through us might bring the Father praise! *Refrain*

Lift high the name of Jesus, of Jesus our Light. No other name on earth can save, can raise a soul to life. He opens up our eyes to see the harvest He has grown. We labor in His fields of grace as He leads sinners home! *Refrain*

The Prayer of Adoration

The Old Testament Reading Isaiah 25:6-10

The Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, you who have promised to swallow up death and wipe away tears, look upon us here today. We wait for you –so that you might save us. So come to us, good Lord, and bring your healing balm. Meet us amid our sin and our suffering, our addictions to that which is not life-giving. We wait for you. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers... *(in silence)*

His Mercy is More

What love could remember no wrongs we have done?
Omniscient, all knowing, He counts not their sum. Thrown

into a sea without bottom or shore, our sins they are many,
His mercy is more.

*Praise the Lord! His mercy is more. Stronger than darkness, new
every morn; our sins they are many, His mercy is more.*

What patience would wait as we constantly roam? What Father so
tender is calling us home? He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the
poor. Our sins they are many, His mercy is more. *Refrain*

What riches of kindness He lavished on us. His blood was the
payment, His life was the cost. We stood 'neath a debt we could
never afford; our sins they are many, His mercy is more. *Refrain*

The Blessing of God's Forgiveness

Embrace this good news with all your hearts: in Jesus Christ there is
forgiveness ---for those who call upon Him! **Alleluia! Amen!**

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 Time of Remembrance and the Prayers of the People

Amazing Grace

Mr. David Marshall, Piper

The New Testament Reading Acts 17:1-17

The Sermon When You Vote, Remember This Dr. Jim Miller
... there is another king named Jesus... Acts 17:7

The Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution

Prayer of Blessing

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Closing Song The Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you, make his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you. The Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

May his favor be upon you, and a thousand generations, and your family, and your children, and their children, and their children.

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May his presence go before you, and behind you, and beside you. All around you, and within you, He is with you. He is with you.

In the morning, in the evening, in your coming, and your going. In your weeping and rejoicing, He is for you. He is for you. *Refrain*

The Charge and Benediction

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Worship Notes

The flowers for today's worship service in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in memory of Dick and Barbara Horkey, by Elaine Horkey.

You may give your weekly tithe and offering to the Lord electronically at www.firstchurchtulsa.org or text 405-276-4141.

For those who need assistance in the Sanctuary or Stephenson Hall, audio headsets are available from the ushers. Also available are large-print hymnals and Bibles.

To notify the church of a birth, death, illness, hospitalization, change of address/phone number in your family or to request a pastoral visit at home or in the hospital, please contact Beverly Carter 918-301-1015 or bcarter@firstchurchtulsa.org.

First Church Update

We're grateful for a congregation that continues to give generously in ways that further the ministries of Christ. In this stewardship season each of us is urged to ponder our blessings and to make our commitment to the Lord's work in 2021.

"Let the little children come to me!" More children are returning to Sunday School at 9:30 and to the nursery at the 11:00 o'clock hour! Everybody's delighted by this --but it also presents us with an urgent need. During this season when many are not able to serve, would you be willing to wrap the arms of Jesus around these little ones --say once a month? Please contact Courtaney Miller at 918-301-1009 or cmiller@firstchurchtulsa.org.

Little Lambs meets on Mondays at 10:00 a.m. We will now meet indoors in room 105. For more information or to register contact Phillip Bowman at pbowman@firstchurchtulsa.org or 918-630-1786.

Bridging the Divide! This Wednesday night: Pastor Anthony Scott, First Baptist Church, North Tulsa shares his perceptions on chasms that divide us. (6:15 p.m. in Stephenson Hall, optional dinner at 5:15 p.m., please RSVP for dinner.)

10:10 Pastor's Message live on *Facebook.com/FirstChurchTulsa* every Tuesday and Thursday.

FPC University Ministries:

"Gather" is fellowship and worship for 18-24 year-olds, whether University students or not. We meet every Tuesday from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Miller Library.

"Grow" is a Sunday class for 18-24 year-olds, whether University students or not. Beginning THIS week, Sunday, November 1 from 12:15-1:30 p.m. in room E201. Lunch will be served. Follow us at *@ukirktulsa* for updates.

Thursdays: Weekly Prayer Service - 5:30 p.m. in the Miller Library. Invite your friends.

Interested in theological discussions? If so, please join the Downtown Theological Roundtable for a study of A.W. Tozer's book, *The Pursuit of God*. The study will start Wednesday, November 11 from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. in the Miller Library. You will be responsible for purchasing the book. We would love to add you to our discussion. Please contact Phillip Bowman at 918-630-1786 or *pbowman@firstchurchtulsa.org* to sign up or with any questions.

Thanksgiving Day Worship Service will be held on Thursday, November 26,
at

11:00 a.m. in the Chapel. Following the service, the Deacons will host a lunch in Stephenson Hall. If you will be home alone and without family during the holidays, please join us. Call the church at 918-584-4701 or reserve online at: *www.firstchurchtulsa.org/ThanksgivingLuncheon* by Friday, November 13.

First Church seeks a full-time administrative assistant who will serve in the areas of local and global mission. In addition, this individual will support our Tulsa International Fellowship, our new members and women's ministries. We're looking for a team player who possesses strong verbal and writing skills, and proficiency in Microsoft Office applications. Please submit a resume and cover letter to Tonye Briscoe at *tbriscoe@firstchurchtulsa.org*.

First Church is a praying community! You'll find a prayer request card in the sanctuary pew or the Friendship Register. Place it in the offering plate at the doors of the sanctuary, or in the prayer request box at the *Welcome Center* in the Miller Atrium. Pastors and members of the Guild of Intercessors will uphold your concerns in prayer.

Serve the Master and love on His children! The Masterwork Academy welcomes you! Perhaps you can give an hour, perhaps a day. Leaders are needed from noon-5:30 p.m., Monday-Friday. If you'd like to know more about how you can be a part of this beautiful ministry, email [Kelly Brown](mailto:kbrown@masterworkacademy.org) at kbrown@masterworkacademy.org or call 918-370-0207.

PARISH REGISTER

Prayers for Healing: Jane Azlin, Billy Boyd, Roy Cail, Joan Hastings Camp, Dwight Creveling, Marilyn Davis, Donna Droege, Fred Droege, Allan Edwards, Wandie and Mary Fitzpatrick, Pat Ford, Cynthia Hill-Meriwether, Meg Hubler, Harvey Hunt, Larry Don Johnson, Maggie Jones, Joyce Kunkel, Annelle Lanford, Amy Lesh, Dottie and Walt MacMillan, Laurence Mansur, Bob Matthews, Jo Matthews, Jan Miller, Pamela Neumann, David Osterholt, Elsie Osterholt, Penny Steinkuehler-Perkins, David Perkins, Don Perry, Sue Phelps, Rosemary Priest, Janie Quint, Stephen Riungu, Carly Rivers, Zach Rivers, Mary Ruddle, Susan Shults, Robert Shaw, Helen Marie Sisler, Cissy Ssettimba, Nancy Tholen, Bill Weinrich, and Jack Williams.

The Joy of New Life! We Welcome: Tinsley McClain Rowland Fries, daughter of Rebekah and Robert Fries, was born on October 1.

With Gratitude for the Resurrection: Rick Spellman, a member since 2003, died on October 24.

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Dear Lord Jesus, we offer our gratitude for the dear ones listed below – deeply loved and much missed within this congregation.

According to your promises in baptism, they are lambs of your own flock, sheep of your own fold, and sinners of your own redeeming.

In hopeful confidence, we commend them to you until that day when hands will be held and hearts treasured again in that resurrection life that comes alone from you.

For this we give you thanks and praise, now and forevermore! AMEN!

November, 2019

4 – Vida Culvern
5 – Helen Reecher
5 – Nancy Rinier
5 – Geordie Matson
24 – Dick Horkey

December

1 - Bill Templeton
13 – Jarl Johnson
19 – Kim Wallace
25 – Ginny Rierson
31 – G.O. Nolley, Jr.

January, 2020

18 – Clay Roblyer
20 – Diane Cherry
26 – Lloyd Elliott

February

2 – Jimmie Mathews
7 – Jerry Nixon

March

3 – Bill Ball
15 – Ralph Kitch
18 – Beverly Jacobs
31 – Teddy Adair

April

4 – Frank Effron
15 – Jerry Langenkamp
19 – Bill Ayers

May

5 – E. Marie Scribner
22 – Robbie Burke
23 – Bill Grant, Jr.
27 – Jan Johnson

June

2 – Ellen Ryan
13 – Ruthie Huffman
15 – Laura Vickery
18 – Detta Butler
22 – Tom Mason
27 – Vivienne Edwards

July

14 – Sandi Willhite
27 – Jim Boswell
30 – Jim Bost

August

7 – Ed Lawson, Jr.
23 – Charla Kitch
31 – Linda Hunter

September

9 – Sandra Cousins
14 – Betty Wills
15 – Katherine Reid
19 – Kitty Brumbaugh
26 – Bob Balch

October

1 – Gene Gilbert
6 – Dr. Robert Perryman
12 – Karen McCay
24 – Rick Spellman

The names on this list – members of First Presbyterian Church who have died over the past year – does not include the many friends and family connections of First Church who have also died this past year.

Please help us with contact tracing and attendance by filling out the information below and leaving the program on the pew as you leave.

Name _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Member _____ or Guest _____

Seating Location: (Please circle where you are sitting.)

Front Left - Front Center - Front Right

Back Left - Back Center - Back Right

Left Balcony - Center Balcony - Right Balcony

or

going to the link: bit.ly/fpcregister;

or

using the QR code below.



November 1, 2020, Stephenson Hall

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