



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

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

JUNE 6, 2021
8:30 AM
STEPHENSON HALL

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

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8:30 a.m., Stephenson Hall

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 Prelude

The Welcome

The Call to Worship

Friends, hear the good news —on offer to anyone who welcomes the grace that comes through the risen Christ. Join me in Paul's description of who we are by God's grace:

God raised us up with Christ and seated us with Him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, in order that in the coming ages He might show the incomparable riches of His grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus.

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— not by works, so that no one can boast.

For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good

works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. Eph. 2:6-10

***The Song of Praise** Who You Say I Am

Who am I that the highest King would welcome me? I was lost but He brought me in —Oh, His love for me, Oh, His love for me!

Who the Son sets free, Oh, is free indeed; I'm a child of God, Yes I am!

Free at last, He has ransomed me; His grace runs deep. While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me. Yes, He died for me. *Refrain.*

I am chosen, not forsaken; I am who You say I am. You are for me, not against me; I am who You say I am. *Refrain*

***The Prayer of Adoration**

Rev. James Estes

The Old Testament Reading

Micah 6:6-8

Abigail Weierbach

The Preparation for Confession

Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly

It all comes down to this, what you require of me: love my neighbor as myself and You above all things.

Act justly, love mercy, walk humbly with You, God. In all things, in all ways, walk humbly with You, God.

It all comes down to this, to be Your hands and feet, good news to all the world. The truth will set us free. *Refrain.*

It's beauty for ashes. It's mourning to dancing. It's closer and closer, the Kingdom of heaven.

Years from now we'll see the fruit our hands have sown. Faith just like a seed, the only way it grows. *Refrain.*

The Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, tender in your mercy and constant in your love: hear our confession —for we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed. In so many respects we have not been your hands and feet to the world you love. We've gotten lost among the trinkets and distractions of this age. Forgive us, we pray. Lord, in our mercy, hear our prayers.... *(In silence)*

The Invitation to Embrace Forgiveness

Friends, embrace this good news with all of your hearts: in Jesus Christ there is forgiveness —for all who call upon Him!
Alleluia! Amen!

The Response

Build My Life

Worthy of every song we could ever sing; worthy of all the praise we could ever bring; worthy of every breath we could ever breathe, we live for You.

Jesus, the name above every other name. Jesus, the only one who could ever save, worthy of every breath we could ever breathe, we live for You. We live for You.

Holy! There is no one like You. There is none besides You. Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are and fill me with Your heart, and lead me in Your love to those around me.

I will build my life upon Your love, it is a firm foundation. I will put my trust in You alone and I will not be shaken. *Refrain*

***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 Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution
Prayer of Blessing
Sharing of the Bread and Cup

The Joys and Concerns of the Church

The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

***The Closing Song** More than Conquerors

When my hope and strength is gone, You're the One who calls me on;
You are the life; You are the fight that's in my soul.

Oh, Your resurrection power burns like fire in my heart. When waters rise I lift my eyes up to Your throne.

We are more than conquerors through Christ. You have overcome this world this life. We will not bow to sin or to shame; we are defiant in Your name. You are the fire that cannot be tamed; You are the power in our veins: our Lord, our God, our conqueror!

I will sing into the night, "Christ is risen and on high." Greater is He, living in me, than in the world.

No surrender, no retreat, we are free and we're redeemed. We will declare, over despair, You are the hope. *Refrain*

Nothing is impossible, every chain is breakable, with You we are victorious. You are stronger than our hearts, You are greater than the dark. With You we are victorious! *Refrain*

***The Charge and Benediction**

*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* 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.

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 be 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 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.

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://twitter.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
Stephenson Hall

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Back Left - Back Center - Back Right
Left Balcony - Center Balcony - Right Balcony
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going to the link: bit.ly/fpcregister;
or
using the QR code below.**

