



## **Vespers Service**

**July 18, 2021**

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

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**Welcome & Invitation to Worship**

**Songs of Praise**

May the Peoples Praise You

You have called us out of darkest night, into Your glorious light, that we may sing the wonders of the risen Christ.

May our every breath retell the grace that broke into our strife, with boundless love and deepest joy, with endless life.

*May the peoples praise You; let the nations be glad! All Your blessing comes that we may praise, may praise the Name of Jesus.*

May the seeds of mercy grow in us for those who have not heard; may songs of praise build lives of grace to spread Your Word.

This our holy privilege to declare Your praises and Your name, to every nation, tribe and tongue Your church proclaim. *Refrain*

Holy, Holy is the Lord Almighty; worthy, worthy is the Lamb who was slain. Holy, Holy is the Lord Almighty; all creation praise Your glorious Name. *Refrain*

What a Beautiful Name

You were the Word at the beginning, one with God, the Lord Most High; Your hidden glory in creation, now revealed in You, our Christ.

What a beautiful Name it is. What a beautiful Name it is; the Name of Jesus Christ my King. What a beautiful Name it is. Nothing compares to this; what a beautiful Name it is; the Name of Jesus.

You didn't want heaven without us, so, Jesus, You brought heaven down. My sin was great, Your love was greater; what could separate us now.

What a wonderful Name it is. What a wonderful Name it is; the Name of Jesus Christ my King. What a wonderful Name it is. Nothing compares to this; what a wonderful Name it is; The Name of Jesus.

Death could not hold You. The veil tore before You. You silence the boast of sin and grave. The heavens are roaring the praise of Your glory, for You are raised to life again.

You have no rival. You have no equal. Now and forever God You reign. Yours is the kingdom. Yours is the glory. Yours is the Name above all names

What a powerful Name it is. What a powerful Name it is; the Name of Jesus Christ my King. What a powerful Name it is. Nothing can stand against what a powerful Name it is; The Name of Jesus.

## **Prayer of Confession**

### **Response**

Come As You Are

Come out of sadness from wherever you've been. Come broken-hearted, let rescue begin. Come find your mercy, O sinner come kneel. Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal. Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal.

*Lay down your burdens, lay down your shame; all who are broken lift up your face. O wanderer come home, you're not too far. So lay down your hurt, lay down your heart, come as you are.*

There's hope for the hopeless and all those who've strayed. Come sit at the table, come taste the grace. There's rest for the weary, rest that endures; Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't cure.

*Refrain*

Come as you are. Fall in His arms. Come as you are. There's joy for the morning, O sinner be still; Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal. Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal. *Refrain*

## **Assurance of Pardon**

### **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 sits at 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**    1 Peter 1:13-25

### **The Sermon**

The Church's Holy Calling

Rev. Wambugu

*You shall be holy, for I am holy. 1 Peter 1:16*

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

### Song of Response

O Church, Be Filled with the Power of God

O church, be filled with the power of God, as from the day of your birth. Every nation and tribe and tongue He's called to declare throughout the Earth; His Kingdom is coming, the Bride He's adorning, He's called us out of the grave. O church, be filled with the power of God, for He is mighty to save.

The room was filled with tongues of fire and the world was never the same. The Spirit of God, come to dwell within, so that we can bear His name. For His Kingdom is coming, His people He's calling to share God's love in His name. O church, be filled with the power of God, for He is coming to reign.

*O let's preach good news to the poor and freedom to all the enslaved. There's liberty and healing for all; we're set free in Jesus' name.*

Once dead in sin, now alive in Christ; baptized in water and fire. The Spirit of God fills His church within and sends us out into the mire. For His Kingdom is coming, this race we are running, fixing our eyes on our King. O church, be filled with the power of God. For our joy and His glory we sing. *Refrain*



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