



Vespers Service
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First Presbyterian Church of Tulsa
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Welcome & Invitation to Worship

Songs of Praise

God So Loved

Come all you weary, come all you thirsty, come to the well that never runs dry. Drink of the water; come and thirst no more. Come all you sinners, come find His mercy, come to the table He will satisfy. Taste of His goodness. Find what you're looking for.

For God so loved the world that He gave us His one and only Son to save us. Whoever believes in Him will live forever.

Bring all your failures, bring your addictions, come lay them down at the foot of the cross. Jesus is waiting there with open arms.

God so loved the world that He gave us His one and only Son to save us. Whoever believes in Him will live forever. The power of hell, forever defeated, now it is well, I'm walking in freedom. For God so loved God so loved the world.

God, praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him praise Him for the wonders of His love.

Wine

In the crushing, in the pressing, You are making new wine. In the soil I now surrender, You are breaking new ground. So, I yield to You and to Your careful hand. When I trust You I don't need to understand.

Make me Your vessel. Make me an offering. Make me whatever You want me to be. God, I came here with nothing but all You have given me; Jesus, bring new wine out of me.

'Cause where there is new wine, there is new power, there is new freedom, and the kingdom is here. I lay down my old flames to carry Your new fire today. *Refrain*

Prayer of Confession

Response How Deep The Father's Love For Us

How deep the Father's love for us; how vast beyond all measure, that He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure. How great the pain of searing loss; the Father turns His face away, as wounds which mar the Chosen One, bring many sons to glory.

Behold, the Man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders. Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers. It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished. His dying breath has brought me life; I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything; no gifts, no power, no wisdom, but I will boast in Jesus Christ; His death and resurrection. Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer, but this I know with all my heart, His wounds have paid my ransom.

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 Second Reading 1 Peter 3:8-22

The Sermon What is Worth of Fearing? Rev. Wally Johnson

Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. 1 Peter 3:14-15

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Song of Response

Rescuer

There is good news for the captive; good news for the shamed.
There is good news for the one who walked away. There is good
news for the doubter, the one religion failed, for the good Lord
has come to seek and save.

*He's our Rescuer. He's our Rescuer. We are free from sin
forevermore. Oh, how sweet the sound. Oh, how grace abounds.
We will praise the Lord our Rescuer.*

He is beauty for the blind man; riches for the poor. He is
friendship for the one the world ignores. He is pasture for the

weary; rest for those who strive. Oh, the good Lord is the way the truth the life. Yes, the good Lord is the way the truth the life.

Refrain

So come and be chainless; come and be fearless; come to the foot of Calvary. There is redemption for every affliction, here at the foot of Calvary. So come and be chainless; come and be fearless; come to the foot of Calvary. There is redemption for every affliction, here at the foot of Calvary. *Refrain*