

Service for the Lord's Day

November 16, 2025

10:30 a.m.



Preparation for Worship

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

The Gathering of God's People

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you!

P: And also with you!

L: Let us give thanks this day for God's wonderful goodness.

P: God's steadfast love endures forever.

L: Because God first loves us.

P: Let us love one another.

L: Gathered in this community of faith, God invites us to grow in grace and knowledge.

P: We offer praise, thanksgiving and good works for the glory of God.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

HYMN #610

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors, and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

SILENT CONFESSION

L: Lord, in your mercy.

P: Hear our prayer.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

RESPONSE OF PRAISE #772

Live into Hope"

verse 4

Live into hope of captives freed

From chains of fear or want or greed.

God now proclaims our full release

To faith and hope and joy and peace.

PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ANTHEM

"Draw the Circle Wide"

Mark A. Miller

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY #606

*DEDICATION OF OUR STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT FOR 2026

L: The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it,

P: the world, and those who live in it,

Psalm 24:1

L: A tithe of everything from the land belongs to the Lord... it is holy to the Lord. *Lev. 27:30*

P: Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the first fruits of all your crops.

Proverbs 3:9

L: Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Cor. 9:7

P: For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matt. 6:21

L: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,

P: God's steadfast love endures forever.

Psalm 136:1

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

HYMN OF DEDICATION #697

"Take My Life"

verse 1,2,6

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 122

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Corinthians 12: 12-13, 26-27

L: The word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"A Reminder of Why the Church Exists"

Rev. Brian K. Rummage

Responding to the Word

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from A Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Being Sent into the World

SONG OF PRAISE

“Oceans”

Houston/Lightelm/Psalm 150

CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church

We welcome you to worship this morning. If you are visiting with us, we hope you find our congregation to be a place of welcome and spiritual nurture. Please take a Visitor Gift Bag with a devotional book and other gifts and information about FPC, as our way of thanking you for worshiping with us. Visitor Gift Bags can be found just outside the center Sanctuary door in the Narthex or in the Hospitality Center.

Children’s Worship and Nursery Ministries: Our infant nursery is located in room #114 on our Children’s Ministry hallway immediately behind the sanctuary. If you are unfamiliar with our facilities, an usher will happily guide you.

Worship is the heart of church life and it is important that our children feel welcomed and are strengthened for their own walk of faith. At the appropriate time in the service, children are invited to come to the front of the church for our children’s message time with Pastor Brian. Afterwards children are dismissed to either return to sit with their parents or leave with our Children’s Ministry Director Carla Lovell.

For those who choose to participate in in our children’s worship experience, younger children (preschool-1st grade) stay with Ms. Carla in Room 110. Older elementary age children (2nd-4th grade) will go to room 103. Our teachers will use this time to explore the different aspects of worship in a fun and engaging way.

Again, children are always welcome to stay for the entire “big church” service. As they grow and mature, we encourage them to be part of the full worshipping community.

In consideration of others, please silence or turn off all cell phones and other electronic devices.

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