

Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church

Worship Service for the Lord's Day

October 29, 2023

11:00 AM

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost
and Reformation Sunday



Building on a Sure Foundation

FOX CHAPEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Prelude

Solemn Entry
Pittsburgh Ceremonial Brass

Richard Strauss

Welcome and Invitations

Rev. Ginger Thomas

Introit

Let Us Build a House (All are Welcome)

Two Oaks

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live; a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive. Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end divisions: all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

The asterisk (*) in the bulletin invites you to rise in body or spirit.
Words printed in **bold** are for the congregation to speak in unison.

***Call to Worship**

from Psalm 27, John 4:23

Let us worship God, our light and our salvation.

The Lord is the stronghold of our lives.

We desire to live in God's house and to seek God in his holy temple.

We have come with shouts of joy, to sing and to make music to the Lord.

Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

Teach us your ways and make straight our paths in this hour of worship and always.

***Hymn 363**

Rejoice, the Lord is King!

Darwall's 148th

Call to Confession and Silent Prayer

Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, we confess that often we have failed to be an obedient church: we have not done your will; we have broken your law; we have rebelled against your love; we have not loved our neighbors; we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Our righteousness is found in Christ alone, a gift of God by faith. Beloved people of God, believe the good news: through the grace of Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

***Sung Response (Refrain, Hymn 591)**

Halle, Halle

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

***Passing of the Peace**

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

All are invited to exchange signs of reconciliation and peace with others.

***Sung Response (Refrain, Hymn 591)**

Halle, Halle

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Children's Message

Rev. Lori Bass-Riley

Children attending Kids' Church may follow Pastor Lori after the Children's Message.

Scripture Readings

Matthew 5:1-12 (NT, pg. 4)

2 Corinthians 9: 1-2a, 5-15 (NT, pg. 183)

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Indescribable Gift

Rev. Roger Owens

***Hymn 341**

O God, Show Mercy to Us (Psalm 67)

Thaxted

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.

Offering

Please complete a Connect Card and place it in the offering plate.

Offertory Anthem

One Faith, One Hope, One Lord

Craig Courtney

One faith, one hope, one Lord, one church for which he died, one voice, one song we lift in praise to him who was and is and shall be evermore. There is one body, one spirit, as you were called to one hope. One Lord, baptism and faith, one God and Father of all, who is in you all. One faith, one hope, one Lord, one church for which he died. One voice, one song we lift in praise to him who was and is and shall be evermore. Though we may be many people, diverse with various gifts, we are given to each other for the unity of faith, that we grow in the knowledge of the son of God, in the fullness of Christ. One faith, one hope, one Lord, one church for which he died, one voice, one song we lift in praise to him who was and is and shall be evermore. One faith, one hope, one Lord, one God. (Based upon Ephesians 4:4-6,13)

***Doxology**

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: praise God above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication**Hymn 35**

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

Lobe den Herren

Benediction**Benediction Response**

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Two Oaks

Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face; let us bring an end to fear and danger: all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Postlude

Rigaudon

André Campra, arr. Fennell

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All are invited to remain for the postlude.

Hearing Devices

Hearing devices are available in the Sanctuary. Ask an usher for assistance. If you have a hearing aid that has the T-Coil activated, please ask for a T-Coil neckloop receiver.

For Children & Families During 11:00 Worship

Children of all ages are welcome to remain in worship with their families, and we provide the following opportunities for children and families:

Children age 3 to 5th grade are invited to sign up for Kids' Church prior to worship near the entry to the Sanctuary. Children may join Pastor Lori at the front of the Sanctuary for a Children's Message during worship (except on the first Sunday of the month). Following the Children's Message, children are led to the lower level Kids' Space, where parents/guardians can pick them up following worship. The lower level is accessed via the elevator in the Atrium or the staircase near the main entrance to the building.

Nursery care is available for ages 0-3 in Room 109 (near the main entrance).

The **Comfort Space** is available in Room 107 (next to the nursery) to comfort or feed a child and watch the worship service via livestream.

Participants Today

Rev. Ginger A. Thomas, Co-Senior Pastor (ginger@fcpc.us)
Rev. L. Roger Owens, Co-Senior Pastor (roger@fcpc.us)
Rev. Rebecca DePoe, Associate Pastor (rebecca@fcpc.us)
Rev. Lori Bass-Riley, Director of Children and Family Ministries (lori@fcpc.us)
Dr. David A. Billings, Director of Music Ministries and Organist (david@fcpc.us)
Guy Russo, Director of the Chancel Choir
Kelly Lynch, soprano
Louise van Mook, mezzo-soprano
Andrew Boag, tenor
Logan Newman, bass
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Chancel Choir

Andrew Boag, Don Boyd, Margaret Groninger, David Houggy, Helen Houggy,
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Kelly Lynch, Brian Miller, Scott Miller, Gwen Minshall, Jerry Minshall,
Louise van Mook, Logan Newman, Barbara O'Connell, Jack Oehrle,
Ray Overmyer, Wilberta Pickett, Takako Petek, Audrey Russo, Polly Swanson,
Tommy Walters, Joanne Welsh

Pittsburgh Ceremonial Brass

Drew Fennell and Josh Boudreau, trumpets
Matt Litterini, horn
Bruce Lazier, trombone
Phil van Ouse, tuba
Bert Lerini, timpani

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