



Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church

Worship Service for the Lord's Day

October 1, 2023
11:00 AM
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
World Communion Sunday

Prelude Prelude on *Capel* (There is a Land of Pure Delight) Leo Sowerby
Prelude on *Union Seminary* (Draw Us In) Gerre Hancock

Welcome and Invitations Rev. Rebecca DePoe

Introit We Are One in Christ Jesus *Somos Uno*
Somos uno en Cristo, somos uno, somos uno, uno solo. We are one in Christ Jesus, all one body, all one spirit, all together.

***Call to Worship**
The God of creation makes us one in body!
Let us join hearts and voices in praise of the Lord!
The God of Christ makes us one in the Spirit!
Let us join hearts and voices in praise of the Lord.

***Hymn 529** Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether *Union Seminary*

Call to Confession and Silent Prayer

Prayer of Confession
God of grace, we grieve that the church, which shares one Spirit, one faith, one hope, and one calling, has become a broken communion in a broken world. The one body spans all times, places, races, and languages, but in our fear we have fled from and fought one another, and in our pride we have mistaken our part for the whole. Yet we marvel that you gather the broken pieces to do your work, that you bless us with joy, with growth, and with signs of unity. Forgive our sins and help us to commit ourselves to seeking and showing the unity of the body of Christ, in his name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon
People of God, all of us together have received God's mercy in Christ. In Christ we are forgiven, redeemed, and made to be a community united in faith.
Thanks be to God!

***Gloria Patri**
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

***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.
Children attending Kids' Church may meet Pastor Lori in the Narthex at this time.*

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.

Scripture Reading

Luke 10:25-37 (NT, pg. 71)

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Pervasive Love

Rev. Ralph Lowe

Offering

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

Offertory Anthem

O Lord of Heaven and Earth and Sea

John Dykes, arr. R. Aarons

O Lord of heaven and earth and sea, to thee all praise and glory be. How shall we show our love to thee, who givest all? Thou didst not spare thine only Son, but gav'st him for a world undone. And freely with that Blessed One thou givest all. Thou giv'st the Spirit's blessed dower, Spirit of life and love and power, and dost his sevenfold graces shower upon us all. For souls redeemed, for sins forgiv'n, for means of grace and hopes of heav'n, Father, what can to thee be giv'n, who givest all? To thee, from whom we all derive our life, our gifts, our pow'r to give: O may we ever with thee live, who givest all!

*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

Invitation to the Table

This is Christ's table, and all who seek to follow Christ are welcome at this table, regardless of their age or understanding. Parents are encouraged to bring their children to participate in the sacrament. The opportunity to eat and drink with Christ is not a right bestowed upon the worthy but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise...

...and singing the hymn of the whole creation:

Sanctus Nicaea

Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Ho - ly! One God Al - might - y!

All your works shall praise Your name, in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Bless - ed is Christ who comes to set us free.

We praise you, most holy God, for Jesus Christ, your Word made flesh ...

...we offer our lives to you with great thanksgiving as we share this feast of love and grace:

Memorial Acclamation Nicaea

Christ has died. Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine...
...all honor and glory are yours, almighty God, forever and ever.

Great Amen Nicaea

A - - - - men, A - men, A - - - - men.

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.

Sharing the Bread & Cup

Today we will receive communion by intinction. Starting with the front row, come forward by the center aisle. The pair of servers will offer you a piece of bread, which you will dip into the juice and eat. If you prefer pre-sealed, gluten-free elements, they are available from the server in the center. After receiving, return to your seat by the outer aisles. Those seated in the balcony will be served while seated in the balcony. For those on the main sanctuary level with difficulty coming forward, a server will bring communion elements down the center aisle; please indicate with a lifted hand at that time that communion is desired.

Communion Music

O Taste and See

Thomas Pavlecho

O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who take refuge in God. Fear the Lord, you saints of the Lord, for those who fear the Lord lack nothing. The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, and God's ears are open to their cry. The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves those whose spirits are crushed. O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who take refuge in God. (Psalm 34: 8,9,15,18)

Largo and Allegro (from Sonata in G Minor)

Lincoln Baldwin, cello

Prayer After Communion

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*Hymn 318

In Christ There Is No East or West

St. Peter

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

We Share One God

Somos Uno

We share one God, one mighty Lord, one abiding faith, one binding love, one single baptism, one Holy Comforter, the Holy Spirit, uniting all.

Postlude

Prelude (from Te Deum)

Marc- Antoine Charpentier

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All are invited to remain for the postlude.

Participants Today

Rev. Ralph Lowe, Guest Preacher
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
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

Chancel Flowers

The chancel flowers today are given to the glory of God
and in memory of Lola Morrow, wife and mother, by Bob Morrow.

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Our guest preacher today is Rev. Ralph Lowe, Associate Minister for Justice Ministries of the Pittsburgh Presbytery. Rev. Lowe also serves as the primary presbytery staff liaison for the North and West Branches of the Pittsburgh Presbytery, of which Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church is a part.

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.