

FOX CHAPEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*As a community of Christ's disciples, we joyfully participate
in Christ's mission of love and peace, transformation and hope.*



WORSHIP SERVICE

OCTOBER 12, 2025 - 11:00AM
18th Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

Partita on 'Lobe den Herren'
Entrada, Ornamented Chorale, Meditation

Charles Callahan

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Doug Marshall

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

Greg Farrell

INTROIT

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

American Spiritual

*Every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart, I will pray.
Yes, every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart, I will pray.*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 89:1-2, 15-16

Dr. Marshall

I will sing of Your steadfast love, O Lord,
and proclaim Your faithfulness to all generations.
Your steadfast love endures forever.
Your faithfulness is as high as the heavens.
Happy are those who sing Your praise
and extol Your righteousness all the day.

*HYMN 1

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

NICAEA

INVITATION TO SILENT PRAYER AND CONFESSION

Jon Sweringen

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Psalm 89:15-16, Romans 6:12-23

O Lord, you taught us to love you and our neighbor, but we have not lived in right relationship or walked in the light of Your love. Forgive us for the wrongs we have done; we know that the wages of sin is death. Yet we trust in Your gift of forgiveness, which is freedom and life in Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Romans 6:18, 23

Beloved in Christ, your sins are forgiven by the mercy of Christ. Be at peace, for you have been freed from sin that you may serve with righteousness, to the glory and praise of God.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Sam Harding

Children attending Kids' Church may meet Mrs. Patterson in the Narthex.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 13:18-29 (NT, pg. 76)

Rev. Jessica McClure Archer

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

SERMON

The Kingdom of God is Like...

*HYMN 711

Lord of All Good

TOULON

*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 to hell. The third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth 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.

***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.

PASTORAL PRAYER

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

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

arr. Cindy Berry

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near.
Praise Him in glad adoration!*

*Praise to the Lord, Who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth.
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been;
Granted in what He ordaineth?*

*Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the amen sound from His people again!
Gladly, for aye we adore Him!*

Praise ye, praise ye the Lord!

***DOXOLOGY**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***HYMN 714**

God of the Fertile Fields

ITALIAN HYMN

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

Rev. McClure Archer

***CHORAL BENEDICTION**

My God, I Love Thee

trans. Edward Caswall

*So would I love Thee, dearest Lord, and in Thy praise will sing;
Because Thou art my loving God and my eternal King.*

***POSTLUDE**

Fanfare

Charles Callahan

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* An invitation to rise as you are able.

Participants Today

The Rev. Jessica McClure Archer, Guest Preacher
The Rev. Dr. Doug Marshall, Bridge Pastor (doug@fcpc.us)
Greg Farrell, Moment for Stewardship
Jon Sweringen, Liturgist
Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir
S.C. Toe, Minister of Music (sc@fcpc.us)
Don Megahan, Organist (don@fcpc.us)
Sam Harding, Director of Christian Education and Youth Ministry (sam@fcpc.us)
Barbara Patterson, Kids' Church Leader
Howard Havlicsek, Audio Engineer
Nellie Boehm, Caretaker (nellie@fcpc.us)

For Children and Families during 11:00AM 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 a pastor 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 will be led to the **Lowest Level**, where parents/guardians can pick them up following worship.

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.

See Highlights, page 5, for information about how you can get involved with Children's Ministry and be a Kids' Church volunteer.

Chancel Flowers

The chancel flowers today are given to the glory of God.

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.

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