

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.*



CONFIRMATION & YOUTH SUNDAY

May 17, 2026

10:00 AM

PRELUDE

A Spanish Rhapsody

arr. Joel Raney

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS

Ralph Miller, Elder

INTROIT

There's a Spirit of Love in This Place

Mark Miller

*There's a spirit of love in this place, there's a spirit of love in this place.
You can't see it, but it's there just as precious as the air.
There's a spirit of love in this place.*

*There's the presence of peace in this room, there's the presence of peace in this room.
In God's tenderness is found peace that passes human bounds.
There's the presence of peace in this room.*

*O alleluia, sing alleluia! We bless Your holy name.
O alleluia, sing alleluia! There's a spirit of love in this place.*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs.

Know that the Lord is God.

It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, the sheep of His pasture.

Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise;

give thanks to Him and praise His name.

For the Lord is good and His love endures forever;

And God's faithfulness continues through all generations.

***HYMN 401**

Here in This Place

GATHER US IN

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, Gracious Father of all, the Bible reminds us it is a sin to cheat, lie, gossip, and be envious. Please forgive us and help us better ourselves by being positive, nonjudgmental, and patient with guarded words. We know You are with us even when we lose our way. We pray this to You, Lord. Amen. –Written by the 2026 Confirmation Class

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

***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.

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES

Isabella Sackett & Brian Sackett

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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

SCRIPTURE READINGS

1 Corinthians 12:12-31 (NT, pg. 174)

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Membership in the Body

Rev. Dr. John Bell

***HYMN**

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Chris Tomlin

***Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind, but now I see.***

***'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear, the hour I first believed.***

***My chains are gone, I've been set free, my God, my Savior has ransomed me.
And like a flood His mercy reigns, unending love, amazing grace.***

***The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.***

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***The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, the sun forbear to shine.
But God, Who called me here below, will be forever mine, will be forever mine.
You are forever mine.***

***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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Goodness of God

Fielding, Johnson, Cash, & Ingram

*I love You, Lord oh, Your mercy never failed me; all my days, I've been held in Your hands.
From the moment that I wake up until I lay my head, oh, I will sing of the goodness of God.*

*All my life You have been faithful, all my life You have been so, so good;
with every breath that I am able, oh, I will sing of the goodness of God.*

*I love Your voice, You have led me through the fire. In darkest night You are close like no other.
I've known You as a Father, I've known You as a friend, and I have lived in the goodness of God.*

*Your goodness is running after, it's running after me.
Your goodness is running after, it's running after me.
With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now, I give You everything.
Your goodness is running after, it's running after me.*

***DOXOLOGY**

LAASST UNS ERFRUEN

***Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!***

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***HYMN 69**

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

HERE I AM

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Toby Eberhart, Elder

HONORING OUR GRADUATES

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION**

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Paul Vasile

*Glory to God, Whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, Whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, Whose love has set me free.*

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

***POSTLUDE**

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** Please stand as you are able.*

Participants Today

The Rev. Dr. John Bell, Interim Senior Pastor (john@fcpc.us)
The Rev. Cheryl Khylllep, Covenant Associate Pastor (cheryl@fcpc.us)
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Toby Eberhart, Elder
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Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church Contemporary Band
Jeffrey Schmutz, Contemporary Band Leader
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Barbara Patterson, Kids' Church Leader
Howard Havlicsek, Audio Engineer
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For Children and Families during 10:00AM 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 ages 3 to 5th grade are invited to sign up for Kids' Church prior to worship near the entry to the Sanctuary. Children will be called to the front of the Sanctuary for a Children's Message during worship. Following the Children's Message, children will be led outside to work in the Hunger Garden. Children can be picked up in the **Lounge** following worship.

Nursery care is available for ages 0-3 in Kids Kingdom (Lowest Level).

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

See Highlights pg. 3 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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