

# 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

SEPTEMBER 14, 2025 - 11:00AM

14th Sunday after Pentecost

## THOUGHT FOR MEDITATION

The church is a community of people who (along with the community of Israel!) are called out of the world to be God's people. The purpose of their coming together is twofold. First, it is to receive God's judging, forgiving, renewing grace. Second, it is to be sent out again to be agents of God's judgment, forgiveness, reconciliation, and renewal in the world. - *Shirley Guthrie*

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## Welcome to Worship

Words printed in **bold** are for the congregation to speak in unison.

\* An invitation to stand as you are able.

### PRELUDE

*Andante con moto*

Alexandre Guilmant

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Doug Marhsall

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 46:4-7

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

**God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.**

The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; God utters his voice and the earth melts.

**The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.**

God is our refuge, a mighty fortress, who never fails us. Let us worship God.

### \*HYMN 275

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

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### INVITATION TO SILENT PRAYER AND CONFESSION

Wilberta Pickett

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Heavenly Father, we confess to you that we have sinned. We have put our trust in our own good works, ignored your call on our lives, turned away from those in need, and followed our own paths. We have forgotten the good news of Jesus Christ and ignored the mercy you freely give us through his death and resurrection.**

**Forgive us, LORD, not because we deserve it, but because of your steadfast love.**

**Transform our lives and help us to live as your faithful people, through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Psalm 30:5

The LORD's anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime.

**Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.**

Hear and believe the good news;

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Alleluia! Amen!**

### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

### SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 7:24-27 (NT, pg. 7)

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Morgan Oberlin

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

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Ephesians 2:14-22 (NT, pg. 192)

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### SERMON

The Cornerstones of our Faith

Doug Marhsall

**\*THE APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost and born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and buried; He descended to hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated 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.**

**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**

*Lord of the Dance*

arr. Joel Raney

**\*DOXOLOGY**

***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 321**

*The Church's One Foundation*

AURELIA

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

*Danish Amen*  
***Amen, amen, amen.***

**\*POSTLUDE**

*Festival Finale*

Malcolm Archer

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## Participants Today

Rev. Dr. Doug Marshall, Bridge Pastor  
Wilberta Pickett, Liturgist  
Morgan Oberlin, Children's Message  
S.C. Toe, Minister of Music (sc@fcpc.us)  
Don Megahan, Organist (don@fcpc.us)  
Barbara Patterson, Kids' Church Leader  
Howard Havlicsek, Audio Engineer  
Jenny Clark, Livestream Producer (jenny@fcpc.us)  
Nellie Boehm, Caretaker (nellie@fcpc.us)

## For Children and Families during 11:00 AM 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.

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**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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