

July 6, 2025

Service for the Lord's Day

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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 11:

11:00 A.M.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

Prelude

Prologue

Walker Baylor

CHIMING THE HOUR

WHO WE ARE

Leader: We are called Christians but what does that mean?People: We are a welcoming community of disciples of Jesus Christ continually demonstrating God's reign.

Welcome and Announcements

*CALL TO WORSHIP

- Leader: We gather today grateful for the freedom to worship our loving God.
- People: May God continue to bless all people of faith in our land.
- Leader: We draw near to the God who rules over all nations.
- People: May God continue to bless our country and all the countries in the world.
- Leader: We seek to live in harmony and peace together with all peoples on the earth.
- People: May God continue to establish peace on earth and help us understand that peace begins in our hearts.
- Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord together.
- People: Alleluia and Amen.

*HYMN NO. 455 All Creatures of Our God and King LASST UNS ERFREUEN

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of True Power, you speak to us in so many ways, yet in our arrogance we refuse to listen. We confess that our pride prevents us from acknowledging that your voice reverberates from unlikely sources. We assume that you only speak to us through the lips of the mighty. We ignore the messages of the meek. Forgive our misplaced hubris and help us always to be humbly attuned to your Word. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

^{*} Those who are able are invited to stand.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader:	Although we may not always hear God,	
	God hears us.	
People:	God hears our confessions and offers us	
_	forgiveness.	
Leader:	Friends, believe the good news:	
People:	In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.	
-	Thanks be to God!	

*Gloria Patri

Hymn No. 579

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.

*The Peace

The Peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

The Word of God

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from your mouth. Make us hungry for this heavenly food, that it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Kings 5:1-15

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

Special Music	Holy, Holy, Holy	John Dykes/James Koerts			
Sermon	Small Fry	Rev. Sherard Edington			
RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE					

Response of the People

*HYMN NO. 508 For the Bread Which You Have Broken KINGDOM

*Affirmation of Faith

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 into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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.

OFFERTORY I	PRAYER			
OFFERTORY	America the Beautiful	arr. Carol Tornquist		
*Doxology		Hymn No. 592		
	Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Am	v;		
THE SACRAM	IENT OF HOLY COMMUNION			
Invitatio	DN			
GREAT TH	IANKSGIVING			
The L	ord be with You.			
And a	lso with you.			
	o your hearts.			
We lif	t them to the Lord.			
	give thanks to the Lord our God.			
	ght to give our thanks and praise.			
Sanctus		Hymn No. 581		
0	holy, holy Lord, God of power and migh	ıt,		
	1 and earth are full of Your glory.			
	na in the highest.			
	d is He who comes in the name of the Lo			
	na in the highest, hosanna in the highe	st.		
	AL ACCLAMATION			
	has died; Christ is risen; Christ will cor	ne again. (repeat)		
Words c	of Institution			
Distribu	fion of the Elements			
Prayer A	FTER COMMUNION			
Sending Forth				

*HYMN NO. 386 O for a World

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*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*Postlude

God Is Ascended

George Blake

Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us this morning. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to become a member of First Presbyterian Church. For more information, please speak to the pastor at the close of the service.

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WE WELCOME pianist Dr. Christine M. Perkey to our worship service today. A native of Augusta, Georgia, she graduated from Augusta State University with a Bachelor of Music degree in piano and theory. She earned a Master of Music degree from the University of South Carolina and a doctoral degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Christine served as staff accompanist of Interlochen Music Camp. She has taught at Campbell University, Belmont University, and Blair School of Music. Christy taught piano and music theory in the Music Department at TSU for 23 years before retiring ten years ago. She and her husband Bart are parents of three daughters and are active members of Belmont Univer Methodist Church.

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WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP NIGHT - Ladies of the church are invited to meet together for food and fellowship at our **First Faithful Females Night** on Thursday, July 17, at 5:30 p.m. in the chapel. Bring a sack dinner and join us as we gather for great fellowship.

LADIES' BINGO NIGHT – All ladies of the church are invited to attend Bingo Night on Monday, July 21 at 7:00 p.m. Bring a \$15 gift and a friend and join the fun.

This Week at FPC					
Today	Wednesday				
9:00 a.m.	NCC Worship	4:30 p.m. Columbarium			
10:00 a.m.	Church School	Committee Meeting			
11:00 a.m.	Worship	Thursday			
Monday	_	6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts			
6:00 p.m.	New Day AA Group	Friday			
Tuesday		Saturday			

SESSION

Class of 2025 W.P. Bone Jack Emmert Frank Reeves Class of 2026 Carol Hill Margaret Ann Trail Allen Vance

Class of 2027 Marilyn Peyton

DIACONATE

Class of 2025 Rachel Low Jim Stueck Kim Wall Class of 2026 Melissa Cassetty Karen Hunter-Lowery Jim Murff Mickey Stueck Class of 2027

CHURCH COMMITTEES

Clerk of Session – Barbara Howell Treasurer – Jim Stueck Budget & Finance – Jim Stueck Buildings and Grounds – Allen Vance Congregational Care & Outreach – Margaret Ann Trail Personnel – Jack Emmert Worship & Christian Education – Mickey Stueck

STAFF

Ministers – All Members of the Congregation Pastor – Sherard Edington Organist/Director of Music – Darryl Nettles Office Administrator – Kristy Vincent NCC Worship Leader – Natalie Loader Preschool Director – Angela Hankins Custodians – Stratus Cleaning Service

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Children Elementary Class and Middle - High School Class Adult Crossroads Class Faith Builders Class

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