

**The First Presbyterian Church of Enid, OK**  
**The 21st Sunday after Pentecost**  
**October 22nd, 2023 10:50am**

Rev. Alison Burchett, Minister | Stephanie Meara, Liturgist

Nursery care is available during worship for infants, toddlers, and pre-k students.  
Children who are kindergarten age and older are invited to stay in worship with their families.  
The nursery can be found in the breezeway on the north side of campus

\*Asterisks in the bulletin indicate places where the congregation is invited to stand.  
**Bolded text** is read by the whole congregation together.

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

In this sacred hour of worship  
when we name things for what they really are,  
**we give to God what is God's.**

Between the demands of this last week  
and the demands of the week ahead  
**we give to God what is God's.**

With open hearts and hands and minds,  
we recognize all of the gifts of our Creator and  
**we give to God what is God's.**

**\*OPENING HYMN: "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" #12**

### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

God has chosen us, but we frequently fail to choose God's will for our lives. Let us go before God, seeking forgiveness and peace.

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**God of justice and truth,  
you ask us to give you the things that are yours.  
But instead, we hoard things for ourselves.  
We make idols out of money and stuff.  
We ignore the needs of our neighbors.  
We convince ourselves that we have earned all that we have.  
We have promised you our obedience,  
but we often fulfill our own desires first.  
We have promised you our worship,  
but we give our attention to idols instead.  
We have promised to do your work in the world,  
but we put it last on the list of priorities,  
and do what interests us instead.  
Have mercy on us and forgive us.  
Increase our generosity that we might give freely,  
grateful for all of the gifts you have given us.  
*(silent confession)* Amen.**

### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

The good news remains true: God has chosen us, forgives us, and walks beside us, helping us become imitators of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

**ANTHEM: "Put your Hand in the Hand"**

**FPC Choir**

Put your hand in the hand of the man who stilled the water  
Put your hand in the hand of the man who calmed the sea  
Take a look at yourself and you can look at other differently,  
By putting your hand in the hand of the man from Galilee.

Ev'ry time I look into the holy book I want to tremble  
When I read about the part where a carpenter cleared the temple!  
For the buyers and the seller were no diff'rent fellas than what I profess to be,  
And it causes me pain to know I'm not the person I should be.

Put your hand in the hand of the man who stilled the water  
Put your hand in the hand of the man who calmed the sea  
Take a look at yourself and you can look at other differently,  
By putting your hand in the hand of the man from Galilee.

Mama taught me how to pray before I reached the age of seven,  
And when I'm down on my knees that's when I'm close to heaven.  
Daddy lived his life with two kids and a wife, you do what you must do;  
But he showed me enough of what it takes to get you through, yes, he knew.

Put your hand in the hand of the man who stilled the water  
Put your hand in the hand of the man who calmed the sea  
Take a look at yourself and you can look at other differently,  
By putting your hand in the hand of the man from Galilee.

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Lord, in the stories of your Scripture, give us truth to cling to; help us hear your still, small voice. Amen.

## **Scripture Reading**

### **Matthew 22:15-22**

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

## **CHILDREN'S SERMON—Noisy Change**

**SERMON**

**Rev. Alison Burchett**

**\*RESPONSE HYMN: "Take My Life" #697 verses 1-4**

**MINUTE FOR MISSION**

**Dylan Williams**

## **CALL FOR OFFERING & OFFERING**

*The October Special Mission offering goes to support the FPC Tutoring Program.*

*Prayer Request Cards can be placed in the offering plate and will be read during Prayers of the People.*

**\*“The Doxology” #606**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow!**

**Praise God all creatures here below;**

**praise God above ye heavenly host!**

**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER**

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**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.**

**\*Closing Hymn: “God Be with You Till We Meet Again” #542**

**\* Blessing & Benediction**

**\*Passing the Peace of Christ**

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

***Please join us downstairs for a time of fellowship and lunch after the service! We will hear from Carter & Vicki Mathews about their Africa Mission Trip.***

*This Week at FPC Enid:*

**Monday, October 23, 2023**

AA (Men & Women) —Otwa's | 6:00pm

Club Theater—Gym | 5:00-7:00 pm

**Tuesday, October 24, 2023**

Sail — Gym | 10:00am

Staff — Feild Rm | 9:30am

Session — Feild Rm | 4:30 pm

**Wednesday, October 25, 2023**

Tutoring — Gym | 3:30-5:00pm

Choir Practice — Choir Room | 6:15pm

**Thursday, October 26, 2023**

Sail— Gym | 10:00am

Meals on Wheels Delivery | 10:30-11:30am

AA (Men ONLY) — Otwa's Place | 6:00pm

**Saturday, October 28, 2023**

Installation of Rev. Burchett — Sanctuary | 10:00am

Manna — Gym | 11:00am (Manna Servers: Jared Johnson & Co.)

**Sunday, October 29, 2023**

Sunday School— Field Rm | 9:15am

Choir Warm-up — Sanctuary | 10:15 am

Morning Worship—Sanctuary | 10:50 am (Liturgist: Madelyn Keck)

## Church Staff & Leadership

**PASTOR:** Rev. Alison Burchett

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**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Mon: 9am - 4pm

Tue: 9am - 4pm

Wed: 9am - 4pm

Thurs: 9am - 4pm

Fri: 9am - 12pm

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