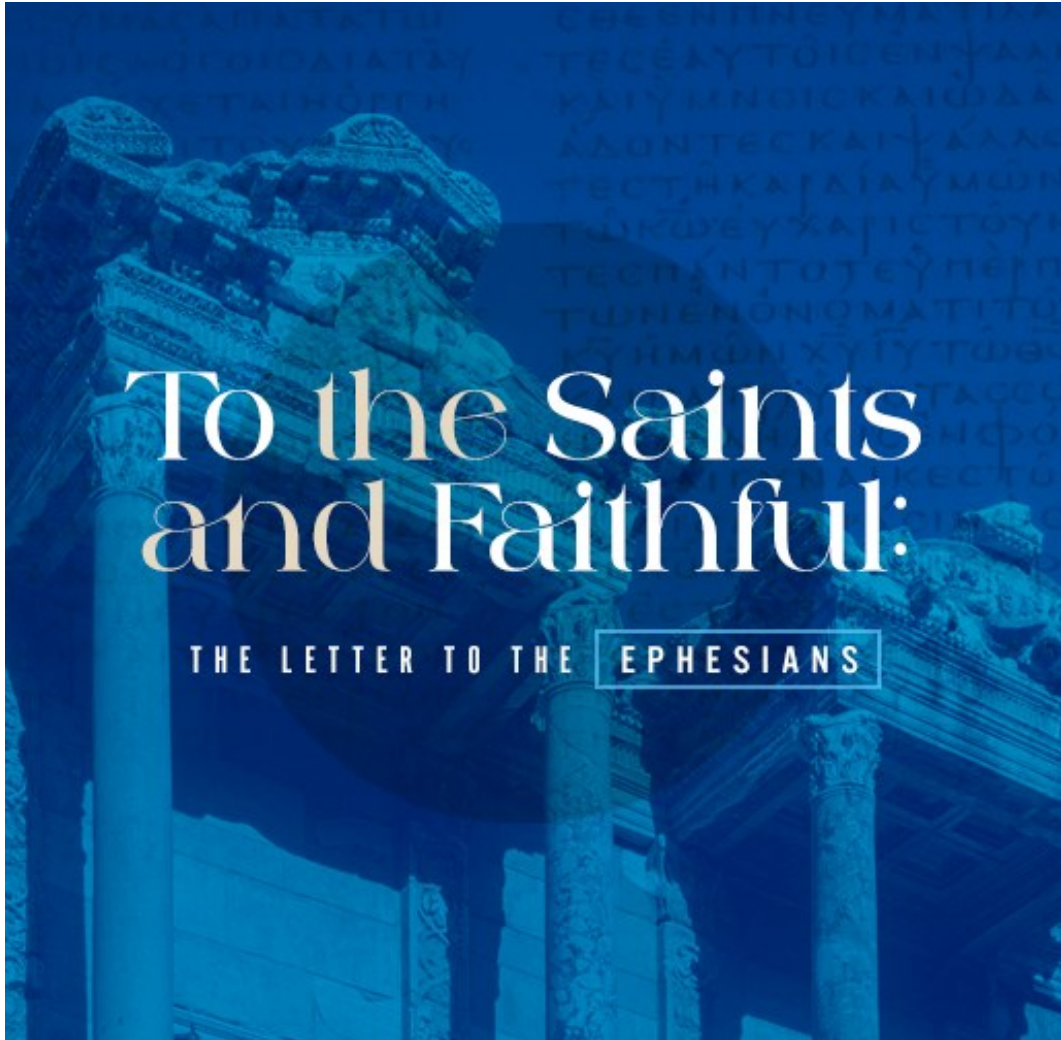


SUN 11 AM  
AUGUST 25, 2024

*Worship Service* for THE LORD'S DAY  
FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



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**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.*

# Welcome to Worship

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

\* An invitation to rise in body or spirit.

## PRELUDE

Adagio from Sonata I  
God's Steadfast Love

*Felix Mendelssohn  
Garrett Parker*

## CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

## WELCOME AND INVITATIONS

Rev. Ginger Thomas

## INTROIT

Holy God, We Praise Your Name      *Grosser Gott, Wir Loben Dich*  
*Holy God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we bow before you.*  
*All on earth your scepter claim; all in heaven above adore you.*  
*Infinite your vast domain, everlasting is your reign.*

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

God, our Creator,  
from nothing you made our world.

**You formed us, love us,  
and give us all that we need.**

God, our Redeemer,  
you rescued us from sin.

**You have given us new life  
and hope of healing to the world.**

God, our Comforter,  
you are with us always.

**You comfort us, renew us,  
and guide us into your truth.**

Almighty God, for your gracious love for us,  
we praise you.

**Amen.**

## \*HYMN 611

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

*Hymn to Joy*

## INVITATION TO CONFESSION AND SILENT PRAYER

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Awesome and compassionate God, you have loved us with unfailing, self-giving mercy, but we have not loved you fully. You constantly call us, but we do not listen. You ask us to love but we walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed. God of grace, as you come to us in mercy, we repent in spirit and in truth, admit our sin, and gratefully receive your forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.**

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God the Creator brings you new life, forgives and redeems you. Take hold of this forgiveness and live your life in the Spirit of Jesus, **Amen.**

### \*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.*

## BACKPACK BLESSING

Rev. Lori Bass-Riley

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Psalm 46 (OT, pg. 517)  
Ephesians 6:10-20 (NT, pg. 195)

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

**SERMON**

Rev. Roger Owens

**\*HYMN 846**

Fight the Good Fight

*Duke Street*

**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**

Zion's Walls

*Aaron Copland*

*Come fathers and mothers, come sisters and brothers,  
come join us in singing the praises of Zion.  
O fathers, don't you feel determined to meet within the walls of Zion?  
We'll shout and go round the walls of Zion.*

**\*DOXOLOGY**

*Old Hundredth*

**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 269**

Lead On, O King Eternal!

*Lancashire*

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

Holy God, We Praise Your Name *Grosser Gott, Wir Loben Dich*  
*Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit: three we name you,  
while in essence only one; undivided God we claim you,  
and adoring, bend the knee while we claim the mystery.*

**POSTLUDE**

Partita della Folia DiSpanga

*Bernardo Pasquini*

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## Participants Today

Rev. Ginger A. Thomas, Co-Senior Pastor (ginger@fcpc.us)  
Rev. Dr. L. Roger Owens, Co-Senior Pastor (roger@fcpc.us)  
Rev. Lori Bass-Riley, Minister of Children and Families (lori@fcpc.us)  
Richard Shaw, Guest Organist  
Polly Swanson, soprano  
Louise van Mook, mezzo-soprano  
Andrew Boag, tenor  
Logan Newman, bass  
Howard Havlicsek, Audio Engineer  
Jenny Clark, Livestream Producer (jenny@fcpc.us)  
Armand Caldwell, Caretaker Supervisor (armand@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 Pastor Lori 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 are led to the Lounge and surrounding classrooms, where parents/guardians can pick them up following worship. The Lounge is accessed via the elevator in the Atrium or the staircase near the main entrance to the building.

**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.

## Chancel Flowers

The chancel flowers today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Beve and Jim Evans from their daughters, Dorcas, Linda, Priscilla, Alison, and Amy.

**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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