

SUN 11 AM
NOVEMBER 17, 2024

Worship Service for THE LORD'S DAY
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

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

CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

WELCOME AND INVITATIONS

Rev. Ginger Thomas

INTROIT

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
Let the amen sound from his praises again; gladly for aye we adore him.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Rebecca DePoe

In a time of uncertainty, God calls us to gather in faith, just as Ruth chose to journey with Naomi.

We come, seeking the strength to stand by one another in love and loyalty.

As Ruth declared, "Where you go, I will go; where you stay, I will stay."

We are here to commit ourselves to God and to one another, bound by love and shared purpose.

Let us remember that God is with us in our journeys, transforming our struggles into stories of grace.

We open our hearts to the presence of the Lord, ready to embrace the journey ahead.

Come, let us worship the God who walks with us, guiding our steps in faith and hope.

Come let us worship God, Amen.

*HYMN 463

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

INVITATION TO SILENT PRAYER AND CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Present God, we confess that we have made our callings into puzzles we must solve in order for our lives to have meaning. We have reduced vocation to labor and forgotten what it means to be called to virtue, and even love. We have falsely made our dignity dependent on our work and fallen prey to the lie that to hear you is to be near to you. Have mercy on us and forgive us, that we might be liberated into our path in its own time. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Let your soul receive this rest: God remains near as you locate the path that feels right to you. Receive forgiveness and be guided into your deepest longings and beliefs as you decide how to spend your days. When self-distrust begins to eclipse your callings, let God steady you toward what is good and true and beautiful, now and forever. **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.

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 16 (OT, pg.495)

Amy Stabingnas

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Lori Bass-Riley

Children attending Kids' Church may follow Pastor Lori.

SCRIPTURE READING

Ruth 1:1-18 (OT, pg. 241)

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Between Despair and Hope

Rev. Rebecca DePoe

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

There Will I Be

Craig Courtney

Where you go, I will go. Where you stay, I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God. Where you die, I will die. Where you die, I will die and there will I be with you. There is no greater love than this: That a friend lay down her life for another.

*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 69

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

HERE I AM

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Danish Amen
Amen, amen, amen!

*POSTLUDE

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Congregational Meeting

FCPC members are encouraged to stay in the sanctuary after today's worship for a congregational meeting to elect new officers.

Participants Today

Rev. Ginger Thomas, Co-Senior Pastor (ginger@fcpc.us)
Rev. Rebecca DePoe, Designated Associate Pastor (rebecca@fcpc.us)
Rev. Lori Bass-Riley, Minister of Children and Families (lori@fcpc.us)
Amy Stabignas, Lay Scripture Reader
S.C. Toe, Minister of Music (sc@fcpc.us)
Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir
Howard Havlicsek, Audio Engineer
Jenny Clark, Livestream Producer (jenny@fcpc.us)
Don Moyer, Caretaker (don@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 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.

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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