First Presbyterian Church

June 2, 2019
10:45 a.m.

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**Leader:** This is the day that the Lord has made.  
**People:** Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

*Call to Worship*
**Leader:** Our help is in the name of the Lord.  
**People:** who made heaven and earth.  
**Leader:** The heavens proclaim his righteousness;  
**People:** and all the peoples behold his glory.  
**Leader:** All worshipers of images are put to shame,  
**People:** those who make their boast in worthless idols; all gods bow down before him.  
**Leader:** Let us worship God.

*Prayer of the Day*
O God, who opens our prison doors and releases us from our faults, keep us near to you in the hours of each day, that by the power of the prayer of Jesus we might drink of your living water, know true joy, and serve you to the end of time. Amen.

*Hymn*  
*Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty*  
No. 489

**Call to Confession**
Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

**Silence**

*Choral Response*

*Song of Thanksgiving*  
*Gloria Patri*  
No. 579
Welcome, Visitors!

We extend a special welcome to those who are visiting First Presbyterian Church this morning. We are glad you are here! Large print bulletins and hymnals are available from an usher. Transistor hearing aids are also available for your use. Please ask any usher for one and feel free to sit wherever you wish in the Sanctuary while using one. All persons are encouraged to sign the Ritual of Friendship Pads as they are passed to you in the pews. Please include your address, email address, and telephone number. Please remember to turn off your cell phone before worship this morning.

Children's Information—Children are welcome in worship. We do not mind a little fidgeting and fussing in the pew. We offer children’s worship bags with various quiet activities in cloth bags located just outside the Sanctuary doors. But if you feel that your child is having a difficult time sitting through church, you are welcome to worship in The Well. Remember, quiet play in The Well is appropriate so as not to disturb others who are trying to worship. Also, the McComb room is available as a Cry room. And, finally, we encourage you to consider the Nursery, which is located in the South end of the Case Building, where we have trained Staff to look after and engage your child from Birth to Kindergarten. If we need to contact you during worship, just give us your cell number and we will text you. You and your child's (spiritual, emotional, and social) needs are important to us. (Liz Norris—Director of Children's Ministry)

A quick reminder: Under the Child Protection Policy children are not allowed to leave the Sanctuary or The Well without an adult escort. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Flowers—The flowers for our services this morning are given to the glory of God and in honor and recognition of both Parish Nurse Joan Aldrich and the Transportation Services by Mary and Jack Hollowell.

Praying for the Church Family—As a congregation we weekly focus our personal and corporate prayers upon a selection of church members and friends. Let us remember in prayer this week the following: Aimee & Dean Wallace, Michelle Sears, Jim Gross, Mark & Phyllis Robertson, Tom & Peggy Church and Jerry Devins.

If you need a Stephen Minister, or would like more information about the Stephen Ministry, please contact Dr. Brent Johnston at 263-0248 or Louise Farmer at lfarmer4164@gmail.com.
Activities & Announcements

Vacation Bible School on June on 5, 6, & 7
This year VBS will run for 3 days in the evenings from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Our theme will be “WHO’S My Neighbor?” This year, we are excited to partner with Adult Education to add an adult component and hope everyone will join in for a fun three evenings of learning and fellowship. We will be having dinner so if you are over the age of 18, we ask that you RSVP to the church office or to the Facebook event link. This will help us plan accordingly for food and supplies.

ADULT VBS INFORMATION

Wednesday, June 5, Jeff Van Sickle will lead from the book “Being Presbyterian in the Bible Belt: A Theological Survival Guide for Youth, Parents, and Other Confused Presbyterians.” This is an excellent book which light-heartedly presents Presbyterian beliefs as contrasted to neo-evangelical beliefs which seem to have overtaken us in popularity. No reading will be required.

Thursday, June 6, Russell Davisson will present “The Heart of the Matter,” leading the class through nine principles to guide our reading and study of the Bible.

Friday, June 7, Bob Workman will present a quick and condensed program of church architecture, complete with commentary and slides. He will concentrate on Paleo-Christian and Gothic architecture, which should prove very interesting because First Presbyterian was designed in the Gothic tradition. We hope that you will join us for this intergenerational event.

Dinner 5:30 p.m. - Study time 6:15 p.m. - Yoga and social time 7:15 p.m.
Please RVSP to Jeff VanSickle jtvansickle@hotmail.com

Games Camp

Will be June 11 through June 14 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m at Whispering Winds. We hope to have another lock-in on the Thursday of Games Camp. If you are riding with us from FPC be here at 9 a.m. If you are dropping off your child at the camp, please drop off your children at 9:30 a.m. and pick them up at 3:30 p.m. Those riding with us from FPC will return to the church at 4:00 p.m. Please send a sack lunch, hats, tennis shoes, swimsuit and towel. If you have any questions, please contact Liz Norris.
Gather now around God's table, feel the splendor of the Savior,
As He serves the fragrant bread and pours the wine.
Then in grateful adoration of His blood and body given,
Praise the One who offers us the feast divine. Chorus.

He blessed, He broke, He gave; a sacrament of peace, a feast of love.

*Doxology*  
No. 592

*Prayer of Dedication*

**Celebration of the Lord’s Supper**

**Invitation to the Table**  
Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

**The Lord’s Prayer**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**Words of Institution**  
Communion of the People

Leader: The gifts of God for the people of God,

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Communion Music**

*Amazing Grace*  
Dale Wood

**Prayer after Communion**

*Hymn*  
*For the Bread Which You Have Broken*  
No. 508

**Charge and Benediction**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

**Recessional**  
*Postlude*  
*Suite Medievale*  
Movement 1

*signifies congregation standing (for those able)

**Worship Leaders**

Senior Pastor  
Brent O. Johnston

Liturgist  
Judy Michel

Director of Music  
Steve Bixler

Organist  
Mark Sweeney

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*The Peace*  
Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

**First Reading**

Psalm 97

**Second Reading**

Acts 16:16-34

**Sermon**

"Bad for Business but Great for One’s Soul"  
The Rev. Dr. Brent O. Johnston

*Affirmation of Faith*  
The Decalogue-The Law of God Ex. 20:1-17

God spoke all these words, saying,
I am the Lord your God.

You shall have no other gods before me.
You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.
You shall not bow down to them or worship them.
You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God.
Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy.
Honor your father and your mother. You shall not murder.
You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal.
You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or anything that belongs to your neighbor. Amen.

And the response of the Israelites was:

**We hear and we will obey. Amen.**

**Call to Stewardship**

**Offertory**

*The One*  
Craig Courtney

*On the swiftest wings of morning, from the highest King of Heaven,*  
Comes a holy invitation to a feast.

*Interceding for his children, at the right hand of the Father,*  
He invites us all, the most unto the least.

*Chorus: The One who knows your name has bid you, “Come.”*  
The One who bore your shame, God’s only Son,

*Has prepared a celebration as a gift from God above;*  
A sacrament of peace, a feast of love.
Summer Worship Schedule Reminder

Beginning June 9 there will be one worship service on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary,

Appreciation Reception for Judy Michel

Please join us June 9 after church in The Well for an Appreciation Reception for Judy Michel. This will be her last preaching Sunday as our Parish Associate. There will be a basket for cards and your well wishes. Judy is retiring and her last Sunday on staff will be June 23. Judy has been a member at 1st Presbyterian for 34 years and she plans to remain active as a church member after her retirement. So please join us as we share our appreciation for her service to us in this unique capacity!

Pool People Wanted!!!

Whispering Winds Camp seeks to hire a Pool Supervisor, at least 21 years old, with a HS/GED degree. The Pool Supervisor would supervise two Lifeguards and perform other maintenance and administrative responsibilities.

Whispering Winds Camp also seeks lots of Pool People who like to get wet, get tan, and have fun! Regular hours will be 2 to 8 p.m. on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, plus holidays.

Next "Be Well" Seminar on June 29

The next "Be Well" Seminar is scheduled for Saturday, June 29, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in The Well. This free program is lead by Rev. Dave Fulton and is open to FPC members, their family and friends. Lunch and materials are provided. For deep spiritual wellness—be well in body, mind and relationships. The seminar is limited to 20 people so make your reservation now with Joan Aldrich, aldrich@firstchurchwichita.org or Mary Knecht, knechtmary@hotmail.com.

FPC Playgroup Coordinator Wanted

Starting this summer, First Church will have a program for parents or caregivers with young children (0-5 years old). This playgroup is designed to meet once a month and allow great enrichment opportunities, socialization, and involvement in the life of the church for both children and adults. We are looking for a Playgroup Coordinator to facilitate the development, organization, and engagement of parents and their young children (ages 0-5) in a monthly, playgroup program. The position will receive a small stipend. Contact Michelle Murray-Cline (794-1195) or Church Office for more information.

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Calendar

**Sunday, June 2**

Communion

- 8:00 Cowtown Worship (Cowtown)
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- 10:15 Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 10:15 Coffee Fellowship (The Well)
- 10:45 Youth C.R.E.W. (Sanctuary/The Well)
- 10:45 Worship (Sanctuary)
- 10:45 Refugee Worship (C201 & C204)
- 2:00 Summer Splash-Youth (Whispering Winds Camp)

**Tuesday, June 4**

- 10:00 Pastoral Staff Mtg. (Hobbs)
- 11:00 Staff Meeting (The Well)
- 4:30 Camp Committee Mtg (WDR)
- 5:30 Facilities/Stewardship Mtg (WDR)
- 6:00 Deacons (C109)

**Wednesday, June 5**

- 9:00 Dorcas (C105)
- 5:30 VBS
- 7:00 Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

**Thursday, June 6**

- 5:30 VBS

**Friday, June 7**

- 12:00 Lectionary Bible Study (WDR)
- 5:30 VBS

**Saturday, June 8**

- 9:30 Transportation Mtg (C109)
- 11:00 Brent’s Bible Study w/WRCC (Hobbs)

**Sunday, June 9**

Pentecost

- 9:00 Coffee Fellowship (The Well)
- 9:15 Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 9:30 Worship (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 Youth C.R.E.W. (Sanctuary/The Well)
- 10:30 Thank You Celebration for Judy Michel (The Well)
- 10:45 Refugee Worship (C201 & C204)
- 2:00 Summer Splash-Youth (Whispering Winds Camp)