FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH GRAPEVINE

SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

10:30 AM

14th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Everybody is welcome here.

Whoever and wherever you are on your life's journey, we see God in you. Come! This is a place for everyone* who desires to hear and embrace the word of God. Because God welcomes all, we, too, welcome everyone into the whole of our community. We respect each individual's identity and contributions. We affirm and nurture the worth of every person's journey.

*"Everyone" and related pronouns = persons of every age, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic or family status, mental or physical abilities.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

WELCOME & GREETING

The nursery is available for infants through pre-K. All children are invited, during worship, to the Pray Ground in the sanctuary and/or to use the activity bags available in the Narthex. We ask that parents sit in the area near the Pray Ground.

VISITORS: We are delighted that you have joined us today in worship and we encourage you to register your attendance by using your phone to scan the QR code on the back of the bulletin (under the Attendance heading) or to complete a Visitor's Card located on the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate. Thank you and we hope to see you again.

Also, prayer cards will be collected during the first hymn.

MOMENT FOR MISSION MINISTRY

Ken Rigoulot

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Children of God: welcome!

ALL: Welcome to this place of love and grace,

One: Welcome to this place of hope and perseverance.

ALL: God invites all of us to be a part of the beloved community,

One: God invites all of us to share in the good news:

ALL: We are welcome, just as we are. We are loved, just as we are.

One: In gratitude for all of this, let us worship God.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and loving God, open our hearts so that we are able to admit to you the fullness of our lives – that which is beautiful and good, and that which is hurtful and hateful.

We confess that we do not follow Jesus in all that we do.

We love with condition.

We judge and condemn.

We cast the first stone, and keep the logs in our own eyes.

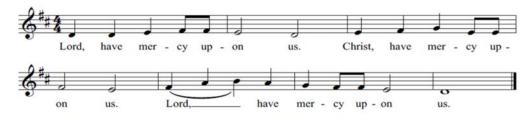
We do not turn to You as the source of our healing.

Forgive us, we pray. Forgive our sin, and empower us to be imitators of Christ in love and service.

Lord, hear our prayers . . .

(Silent Prayer)

KYRIF FI FISON



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ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*THE PEACE

*GLORIA PATRI (Hymn #581)

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.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Confession of 1967, 9.15

God's sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of the human mind. We ascribe to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But God reveals his love in Jesus Christ by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful people. The power of God's love in Christ to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of his love.

MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Sarah Foster

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.

WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"The Lord Is My Shepherd" Sanctuary Choir

Allen Pote

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The Lord is my shepherd. Nothing shall I want.

My shepherd makes me lie in fields of green,

leads me beside still waters.

The Lord is my shepherd, who restores my life.

Leads me in the paths of righteousness

For the sake of the Lord's name.

And even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil, for you are with me,

your rod and staff will comfort me.

You prepare a table before me, in the presence of my enemies.

You anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

and in the house of my God I will live for ever.

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

Psalm 23 paraphrase by Allen Pote

DOXOLOGY

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

FIRST READING Isaiah 41:4-13

SECOND READING Luke 8:26-39

SERMON "In His Right Mind"

Dr. Robert S. Crilley

WE GO OUT TO SERVE GOD

*HYMN 267

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

MADRID

Text: Christian Henry Bateman, 1843

Music: Spanish folk melody; arr. Benjamin Carr, 1824; harm. David Evans, 1927 Music Harm 1927 Oxford University Press

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Congregation rise in body or in spirit.

Thanks to Leslie Miner for serving as our liturgist.

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WAYS TO GIVE

In Christ, God has showered us with grace upon grace. In gratitude, we now give back to God through our tithes and offerings. Monetary offerings may be given electronically or in the offering plate. To make a contribution electronically, please scan the QR code below.



- (1) Check in with a push of a button on your membership app.
- (2) Sign the friendship pad in the pew.
- (3) Scan the QR code below (on your mobile device) which will take you to a simple form.





UPCOMING WORSHIP AND EVENTS CALENDAR

- *Monday, September 15, 9:00 am, Finance Committee
- *Tuesday, September 16, 10:00 am, Tuesday Book Club
- *Tuesday, September 16, 7:00 pm, Session Meeting
- *Wednesday, September 17, 6:45 am, Men's Bible Study
- *Wednesday, September 17, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- *Thursday, September 18, 1:00 pm, Pastor Bob's Bible Study
- *Thursday, September 18, 7:00 pm, Prayer Group (Zoom)
- *Thursday, Septeber 18, 7:00 pm, Daughters of Abraham

Link to these and more by scanning the QR code using the camera on your mobile device or by checking your email for Narthex News.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WHO, WHAT, WHERE AND WHEN

Sunday School is officially underway, and we have opportunities for everyone! The adults are studying "Who Really Wrote the Bible?"—a class led by Pastor Bob in the big classroom upstairs on the 2nd floor, from 9 am to 10 am. (If you want to attend and need childcare, it will be on an RSVP basis; please contact Nancy Giles at (817) 366-2137 or at ngiles@fpcgv.org by 3:00 pm on Thursdays.)

The youth (grades 6-12) will meet in the classroom at the end of the hall on the 2nd floor (with the comfy couches) from 9 am to 10 am and will be studying from PCUSA's Simple Sundays curriculum.

Our children (K-5th grade) are not meeting during the Sunday School hour. Instead, they are attending Growing in Faith Together (GIFT). They will exit the sanctuary following the Time with Young Disciples for a time together in the downstairs GIFT classrooms. (Please note that on Communion Sundays, they will return in time to share in the Lord's Supper with their families).