

## First Presbyterian Church of Ada, Oklahoma

March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent

10:45 am

<sup>3</sup> <sup>16</sup> “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

<sup>17</sup> “Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

*John 3:16-17*

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Mindy Choate**

**The Greeting**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

**Passing of the Peace**

**Prelude**

Sunnie Baker  
Pianist/Organist

**\*Call to Worship, Responsive**

I lift up my eyes to the hills-

**from where will my help come?**

My help comes from the Lord,

**who made heaven and earth.**

**\*Hymn 611 – Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee**

**\*Prayer of Confession, Unison**

**Gracious God, as we wander through the wilderness this Lent, we are aware of our need for your presence, your love, your guidance on life’s journey. Forgive us for turning away from you. Forgive our doubt and uncertainty that led us to place our faith in worldly comforts that don’t run deep enough and don’t last. We come to you well this Lent desperate and thirsty for Christ’s living water. Quench our thirst, we pray. Grant us your forgiveness and your grace.**

*(continue in silent personal confession)*

And all God’s people said,

**Amen!**

**\*Assurance of Pardon<sup>+</sup>,**

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.” Know that you are forgiven in Jesus Christ, and be at peace. Amen.

**\*Affirmation of Faith, Unison**

**The Apostles’ Creed**

(pg. 35; front of hymnal)

**We Hear the Word**

**Anthem**

**Wayfaring Feet**

**Chancel Choir**

**Children’s Time**

**Johnna Isaacs**

## **Prayer for Illumination<sup>+</sup>**

Loving God, fountain of every blessing, open us to your life-giving Word, and fill us with your Holy Spirit so that living water may flow through our hearts — a spring of hope for a thirsty world. Amen.

## **Bible Readings**

**Jeremiah 31: 31-34**

### **A New Covenant**

<sup>31</sup>The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>32</sup>It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband,<sup>[a]</sup> says the LORD. <sup>33</sup>But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup>No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

**Acts 4: 5-12**

<sup>5</sup>The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, <sup>6</sup>with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John,<sup>[a]</sup> and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. <sup>7</sup>When they had made the prisoners<sup>[b]</sup> stand in their midst, they inquired, “By what power or by what name did you do this?” <sup>8</sup>Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders, <sup>9</sup>if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, <sup>10</sup>let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel,

that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth,<sup>[c]</sup> whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. <sup>11</sup>This Jesus<sup>[d]</sup> is

‘the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;  
it has become the cornerstone.’<sup>[e]</sup>

<sup>12</sup>There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.”

**Sermon “*When You Reach the Rejection Hotline*” Rev. Buddy Baltimore**

### **We Respond**

**The Lord’s Prayer, (saying “debts”, and “debtors”)**

**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.**

**\*Hymn 834 – Precious Lord, Take My Hand**

**Offerings, and Offertory**

**\*Hymn 606 – *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow***

**THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER**

## **We Bless Each Other on the Way**

**Hymn 546 – Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing**

**Charge and Benediction, Spoken**

**\*Benediction, Sung, - Unison**

**May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.**

**Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor.**

**Lift up your eyes and see God's face, full of grace forever.**

**May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.**

**Postlude**

\*Please stand in body and/or in spirit

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**WELCOME** to First Presbyterian Church. We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us today.

### **SERVING TODAY**

Liturgist: Mindy Choate                      Children's Time: Johnna Issacs

Greeters/Offering: Leslie Haynie & Ellen Sweatt

Communion: Choate: Cathy Blackburn, Amy Mayhue, Tami Thompson and Amy Elliott

Audio: Johnna Isaacs

Video: Justin Isaacs

Worship Committee Member of the Month: Mindy Choate

Elder of the Month: Bonnie Zaunbrecher

**THE FLOWERS ON THE CHANCEL** are displayed to the glory of God.

**TO REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS** Pastor Nominating Committee members; Jane Baltimore; the Family of Grethe Thompson; Zack Mailey; Patti Elliott; Tim

and Holly Koster; Carol Peshehonoff; Cheryl Weems; Mrs. G. Clayton; Mindy Choate; Bob Neman; Kurt Jackson; Linda Wells; Pamela Jackson; Dian Maloy; Susan Haney; all people impacted by cultural violence, and natural disaster.

## **NOTES AND NEWS**

**TODAY'S SERVICE IS LED BY REV. BUDDY BALTIMORE**, a retired minister in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and a beloved member of FPC Ada.

Join us in fellowship on March 8<sup>th</sup> for second Sunday potluck. Please remember to bring your recipes for the church cookbook.

Session meeting March 22<sup>nd</sup>, all are welcome to attend.

### **BIRTHDAYS**

**None**

### **ANNIVERSARIES**

**None**