

# First Presbyterian Church of Ada, Oklahoma

July 5th, 2026

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

10:45 am

<sup>28</sup> “Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup> Take my yoke upon you and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup> For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

Matthew 11: 28-30

**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**

O come, let us sing to the Lord;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

**Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;**

**let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!**

For the Lord is a great God,

and a great King above all gods.

**O come, let us worship and bow down,  
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!**

**\*Hymn 634 – To God Be the Glory**

**\*Prayer of Confession, Unison**

**Gracious and loving God, forgive us when turn a deaf ear to your call in Jesus Christ and to the cries of those in the world who need your love and our help. Forgive us when we treat discipleship as a yoke of oppression rather than a blessing and gift for leading a faithful life as your people. O Lord, forgive our sin. Help us to know and love you with all that we are that we may love our neighbors as we love ourselves. We pray for the strength of your Holy Spirit to equip us for our calling as followers of Jesus Christ, in whom we have our hope and put our trust. Amen. *(continue in silent personal confession)***

And all God's people said,

**Amen!**

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

The apostle Paul also wrote to the believers in Galatia, "For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'" Hear and believe the good news: In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God!**

**\*Affirmation of Faith, Unison**

**The Apostles' Creed**

(pg. 35; front of hymnal)

## **We Hear the Word**

**Anthem**

**Sing Unto the Lord**

Chancel Choir

**Children's Time**

**Cathy Blackburn**

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

Eternal God, in your Word we read, "For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope." As your Word is read and proclaimed, give us ears and hearts to hear that we might be encouraged and have hope as your children. In Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. Amen.

### **Bible Readings**

**Luke 7: 36-50**

<sup>36</sup> One of the Pharisees asked Jesus<sup>[a]</sup> to eat with him, and he went into the Pharisee's house and took his place at the table. <sup>37</sup> And a woman in the city, who was a sinner, having learned that he was eating in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster jar of ointment. <sup>38</sup> She stood behind him at his feet, weeping, and began to bathe his feet with her tears and to dry them with her hair. Then she continued kissing his feet and anointing them with the ointment. <sup>39</sup> Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw it, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what kind of woman this is who is touching him—that she is a sinner." <sup>40</sup> Jesus spoke up and said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." "Teacher," he replied, "speak." <sup>41</sup> "A certain creditor had two debtors; one owed five hundred denarii,<sup>[b]</sup> and the other fifty. <sup>42</sup> When they

could not pay, he canceled the debts for both of them. Now which of them will love him more?" <sup>43</sup> Simon answered, "I suppose the one for whom he canceled the greater debt." And Jesus<sup>[c]</sup> said to him, "You have judged rightly." <sup>44</sup> Then turning toward the woman, he said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has bathed my feet with her tears and dried them with her hair. <sup>45</sup> You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not stopped kissing my feet. <sup>46</sup> You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment. <sup>47</sup> Therefore, I tell you, her sins, which were many, have been forgiven; hence she has shown great love. But the one to whom little is forgiven, loves little." <sup>48</sup> Then he said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." <sup>49</sup> But those who were at the table with him began to say among themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?" <sup>50</sup> And he said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

**Sermon**

**"Pharisees, a Prostitute and Us"  
Baltimore**

**Rev. Buddy**

### **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 460 – Break Thou the Bread of Life**

**Offerings, and Offertory**

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

## **THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

Words of institution

Prayer Setting the Elements Apart

Receiving the Bread and the Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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

**Hymn 306 – Blest Be the Tie That Binds**

**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  
+©Presbyterian Outlook, 2025/Tommy Carrico



**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: Cathy Blackburn

Greeters/Offering: Todd, Teddy, Collins and Mitchell Allen

Communion: Tami Thompson, Bj Thompson, Margaret Barton & Bonnie Zaunbretcher

Audio:

Video: Matt Sweatt

Worship Committee Member of the Month: Cathy Blackburn

Elder of the Month: Cathy Blackburn

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

**TO REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS** Pastor Nominating Committee members; Bonnie Zaunbretcher, Joan Butler, Tom Hampton, Donald Neman (DR. Neman's Brother) Pat Harrison (former member), Audrey Bjorntvedt (BJ & Karah Thompson's Aunt); Larry Matlock( Haley Hoyts father), Jane Baltimore; the Family of Grethe Thompson; Tim and Holly Koster; Carol Peshehonoff; Mrs. G. Clayton; Mindy Choate; Bob Neman; Kurt Jackson; Linda Wells; Pamela Jackson; Dian Maloy; 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.

**Please join us in fellowship on July 12 for second Sunday potluck.**

### **BIRTHDAYS**

Jerry Maloy – July 8

Brooke Holman – July 9

Kate Pottebaum – July 10

Grace Pottebaum – July 10

Blake Cantrell – July 10

Dr Bob Neman – July 10

Andrew Mitchell – July 11