

First Presbyterian Church of Ada, Oklahoma

September 6th, 2026 15th Sunday after Pentecost

10:45 am

⁸ Owe no one anything, except to love one another;
for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.

Romans 13:8

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**

Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes,

and I will observe it to the end.

Give me understanding, that I may keep your law

and observe it with my whole heart.

Lead me in the path of your commandments,

for I delight in it.

Turn my heart to your decrees;

in your righteousness, be gracious to me.

***Hymn 32 – I Sing the Mighty Power of God**

***Prayer of Confession, Unison**

Lord God, we have judged others harshly, unfairly and casually. We tend to focus on the sin, brokenness and foibles of others, rather than on the growth and work we are called to. We've made assumptions about what others want and need, robbing them of the freedom to speak for themselves. We've tuned out the voices bold enough to express views that are different from ours. We've relied upon your grace, time and time again, while hastily denying that you are eager to give it not only to us, but to our enemies, also. Help us to see others as you see them; help us to see you with faith and trust. *(continue in silent personal confession)*

And all God's people said,

Amen!

***Assurance of Pardon⁺, Responsive**

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, calling all to turn from sin, and live. By the grace of God, our sins are forgiven. **Amen.**

***Affirmation of Faith, Unison**

The Apostles' Creed

(pg. 35; front of hymnal)

We Hear the Word

Anthem

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Chancel Choir

Children's Time

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Prayer for Illumination⁺

Holy Spirit, open our eyes and our ears, our minds and our hearts, that we may hear your Word, walk in your ways, and truly live. Amen.

Bible Readings

Psalm 23

The Divine Shepherd

A Psalm of David.

¹ The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.

² He makes me lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside still waters;^[a]

³ he restores my soul.^[b]

He leads me in right paths^[c]
for his name's sake.

⁴ Even though I walk through the darkest valley,^[d]
I fear no evil;

for you are with me;
your rod and your staff—
they comfort me.

⁵ You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

⁶ Surely^[e] goodness and mercy^[f] shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD
my whole life long.^[g]

Sermon

“Medicine for the Soul”

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 66 – Every Time I Feel the Spirit**

Offerings, and Offertory

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

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

See insert.

We Bless Each Other on the Way

Hymn 300 – We Are One in the Spirit

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:

Greeters/Offering: Rick Shaw & Vestel Cole

Communion: Tami Thompson, Kay Shaw, Bruce Hall

Audio: Johnna Isaacs

Video: Justin Isaacs

Worship Committee Member of the Month: Tami Thompson

Elder of the Month: Tami Thompson

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

IN OUR PRAYERS Pastor Nominating Committee members; Adam Hampton and Family, Joan Butler, Tiesha Mitchell, Tom Hampton, Donald Neman (DR. Neman's Brother), Audrey Bjorntvedt (BJ & Karah Thompson's Aunt); Larry Matlock (Haley Hoyts father), Jane Baltimore; 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 a potluck on September 13th. We will be having a back-to-Sunday school breakfast so make sure to arrive at 9:30.

The office will be closed on September 7th and 8th.

We are so thankful for the abundance of little ones God has blessed our church family with! With so many precious babies joining us, we are adjusting our nursery age group to **birth through 4 years old**. Thank you for helping us make room for all our littlest blessings as we nurture, love, and care for them each Sunday. We are grateful for each child God has entrusted to our church family.

BIRTHDAYS

Larry Compton – September 7th

Patti Elliott – September 12th