



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Trinity Sunday

Rev. Dr. Helen Hutchison, Pastor

Charles Tuttle, liturgist

May 31, 2026

Andrew Morris, organ

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Friendship Pads: Please help us maintain good communication with all our members and guests by completing the Friendship Register as it is passed from the end of each pew. Please let us know the best way to communicate with you. Be sure to greet folks new to you at the end of worship!

Cards of Encouragement: Blue cards found in the pew rack ~ please put in offering plate and we will send them out in the mail.

Congregational Introit

Come, Thou Almighty King
ITALIAN HYMN

Glory to God #2
director

Call to Worship

One: To God be all glory, the One who visits us in three persons, the Holy Trinity of hope and love.

All: For there is no place which is without You, O God, and no time when You are not there.

One: For You are the beginning and the end, the source of all that is in the wonder of universal life.

All: And yet, You take us by the hand and lead us, as the life of Christ walks our human way and shows us that life is stronger than death.

One: In the Holy Spirit, we are gifted, again and again, and are called onward toward a future in which we are surrounded with love and grace.

All: We praise and worship you, O God.

* **Hymn of Praise**

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty
NICAEA

Glory to God #1

* **Call To Confession**

Charles Tuttle, liturgist

One: It is in our confession where we realize our desire for God and our hope for God's mercy. It is in admitting the truth of our lives that we take the first step toward wholeness and healing. So let us make our confession:

* **Prayer of Confession**

Charles Tuttle, liturgist

How often we choose to lead our own lives with no regard for Your presence in our lives. You are always there, patiently waiting for us to notice. You created our inmost being and desire to lead us and guide us, and yet, we want to try our own way first. Forgive our self-absorption. Forgive our lack of trust. We know and believe that Your ways are greater and so we give ourselves to You. We choose to watch for Your working, to notice your presence, to listen to your Spirit's voice. Thank you for never giving up on us.

* **Silent Prayers of Confession**

* **Pouring the Water**

* **Words of Forgiveness**

Charles Tuttle, liturgist

One: God is with us. God brings us peace and forgiveness. God brings us opportunities new and fresh every day!

* **Passing the Peace**

Charles Tuttle, liturgist

One: Knowing the grace and mercy of the Lord, we share it with one another.
The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

(Please greet one another and exchange signs of peace and reconciliation.)

- * **Hymn** *Glory Be to the Father* GLORIA PATRI
*Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.*
- Prayer of Illumination** Charles Tuttle, liturgist
We sit at your feet, O Lord. Lead us in the ways of your truth. Teach us how to be your blessed community. Amen.
- Hebrew Bible Reading** Genesis 1:1-5 Charles Tuttle, liturgist
- Gospel Reading** 2 Corinthians 13:11-13
- Sermon** *“Conquering with a Blessing”* Rev. Dr. Helen Hutchison
- Hymn** *Let There Be Peace on Earth*
- Prayer of the People and the Lord’s Prayer** (as translated by the Maori people)
**Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:**
**The hallowing of your name echo through the universe;
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world;
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings;
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom
sustain our hope and come on earth.
With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trial too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen.**
- Call to Offertory**
- Offering** Andrew Morris, organ
- * **Doxology** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God all creatures here below
Praise God above ye heav'nly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost*
- * **Prayer of Dedication**
- * **Affirmation of Faith**
We believe in the Father and Mother, the creator, the orchestrator, and the one who gives life. We believe in the Son, the Savior of all mankind, our Redeemer. We believe in the Holy Spirit, sent from the Parent God, to lead us and to guide us. We believe that all are living and working and moving throughout our lives. We are thankful for the role of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. Praise be to them all!
- * **Closing Hymn** *Come, Great God of All the Ages* **Glory to God #309**
ABBOT’S LEIGH

* Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Andrew Morris, organist

* Stand as you are able – in spirit or in body

Welcome!

We encourage everyone to come as you are, be who you are, and be in community with us! Whether you are joining us virtually or in person; we are happy to have you with us anytime! If you are new to First Presbyterian Church, please let us know you are here by signing the **Friendship Pad**. If you are worshipping with us online either live or recorded, please **email us at linda@firstpreslawrence.org** letting us know you joined us in worship. We look forward to getting to know you. If you are interested in membership, please talk to Pastor Helen.

Prayer List

Cares, Concerns and Celebrations

- **The flowers this morning** are from Linda Bridges in memory of my mother on her birthday and celebrating 25 years of ministry with FPC.
- **Bev Dolezal** has moved to a rehab facility in Baldwin City following at fall and a broken bone. Prayers for healing and strength.
- **Caroll Tucker** died on Saturday, May 23 while in hospice care in Utah. We will update you about services as we learn about them.
- **Ann McMillian, mother of Annette Camlin**, has moved to Hospice House in Omaha, NE. Prayers for her family as they face this time of sadness.
- **Kristi McAlister** continues to receive cancer treatments as part of a clinical trial. She is tolerating the treatment well enough that she can attend her daughter's softball games. Both Kristi and Pat McAlister (her mother) are grateful for our continued prayers and support.
- **Kathryn Roblee** is happy to share that she has moved to Assisted Living at the Manor.
- **Betty Thomas, Joy Laird's mother**, is receiving hospice care at Presbyterian Manor. Prayers please.
- **Diana Schoneweis' great nephew, Luke (12)**, completed radiation and is now taking chemo.
- **George Crump** asks for our prayers as he navigates life issues.
- **Sammie Locke** is receiving hospice care at Bridge Haven where she lives.
- Please keep **Ruthanne Stucky, Mother of Alisa Stucky**, in your prayers as she undergoes treatment for cancer.
- **Susan and Pat** - dealing with health concerns.
- **Nancy Brink**, a friend of Lois and Dave Dutcher, asks for prayers as she copes with brain and lung cancer.

- **Allison Clunn-McPlin and family**, friends of Dave and Lois Dutcher. Allison has ALS and has entered a clinical trial which has proven helpful to her. They are encouraged. Thank you for your prayer support.

Sunday Helpers

Ushers: Jennifer and Charles Tuttle
Greeters: Joan Golden and Heather Soper
South Door Greeter: Judy Wilson
Offering: Larry Flottman and Cherie Elo
Friendship Pad Collector: Petra Peterson
Bag Brigade Volunteer: Linda Longino

Birthdays in the Congregation

June 5	June 7
Beth Walter	Campbell Harding
Veronica Pringle	

Deacon Family Groups - 2026

A-B	Dorothy Devlin	Lf-Me	Deborah Norwood
C-Di	Lois Dutcher	Mf-N	Becky May
Dj-F	Sandy Groene	O-R	Diana Schoneweis
G-Ha	Melinda Fischer	S-Si	Charles Tuttle
Hb-J	Lucille Eggenberger	Sj-To	Mary Parkinson
K-Le	Linda Longino	Tj-Z	Nikki Barcomb

Calendar

May 31	10:30 am	Worship
June 1	9:00 am	First 5 Years Summer Camp
	1:15 pm	Staff Meeting
	2:00 pm	Pastor Helen Class
June 2	9:00 am	First 5 Years Summer Camp
June 3	9:00 am	First 5 Years Summer Camp
	6:00 pm	Boy Scout Troop 59 Meeting
June 4	9:00 am	First 5 Years Summer Camp
	6:30 pm	Property Committee Meeting
June 5	9:00 am	First 5 Years Summer Camp
	10:00 am	Men's Group
June 6	10:30 am	Pride Parade
June 7	10:30 am	Worship
	11:30 am	FPC Picnic

Children Sunday School

- **Sunday School Classes for Children**
 - Mark your calendars for August 9 and our Kick-Off Sunday.
 - Watch the newsletter and website for Summer opportunities.

Adult and Youth Sunday School

- Put our Kick-Off Sunday – August 9 – on your calendar now!

Youth Activities

- **For our next project** we will be looking for donations of single serving snacks to share with the guests of the Homeless Resource Center AND new or gently used adult sized socks for the Lawrence Community Shelter. Questions? Call Kelly Grube at 785-979-2713.

Pastor Helen's Monday Class is meeting on Mondays at 2 pm in the Fireside Room. We are currently studying the history of religion in the US. This is a class Helen taught at Northeastern Oklahoma A & M college. We will survey the history of religion in America and its impact on social reform, politics and intellectual life. It will offer an opportunity to study the religions of the world and the influence faith and religion have exercised in U.S. history. Everyone is welcome!

Summer Education Opportunity: Historical Perspectives on Indigenous Boarding Schools

The Matthew 25 cohort has been looking over the surveys many of you submitted several months ago asking about your knowledge and interaction of Haskell Indian Nations University and your wishes to be allis to the Indigenous people in our community. We have come up with several plans, beginning with the request that we need to better educate ourselves about indigenous history and treatment by governmental policies. We are starting with a book study using the book Education for Extinction: American Indians and the Boarding School Experience, 1875–1928 May 29, 2020 by David Wallace Adams (Author). Suzanne Galle can get us a deal on the books so those who signed up for the book should receive them next week and they will cost \$22.00.

We also have some shorter readings that are in a handout located in the narthex. Our first meeting will be June 10 at 3 in the library. We will start with the shorter readings while we order the books and get them to you. All are welcome.

Join the Pride Parade on June 6th! The Lawrence Pride Parade is right around the corner. Join us as we gather at 11 am on Saturday, June 6 for a joyous walk down Mass Street. Wear your old pride shirt or purchase the new FPC T-shirt. If you haven't signed up, send a quick email to Adrian (our parade leader) at adrian@firstpreslawrence.org

Many thanks to our Family Promise 5K team!



Peggy Southard, Diana Schoneweis, Grace Nganga, Leeann Gross, Eva Alley and Mary Warren, and Robert Mugridge – so far!

We will be serving at LINK on June 27th. Check out the sign-up sheets in the Narthex if you can help with a Pasta meal for the guests.