

Old First Presbyterian Church



A Season of Pentecost Sunday, June 22, 2025

Worship Through Praising God

Easy-to-use earphones to assist with hearing are available from the ushers.

Please fill out a guest card found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher.

Silence is requested as we prepare our hearts for worship.

** At the asterisk, please rise in body or spirit.*

Prelude	Minuet and Allegretto	William Wolstenholme (1865-1931)
Welcome and Church Life		Pastor Henderson
Introit		Carol Duran (1936-2023) Chelsea Hollow, soprano
	Silence, God, the unclean spirit, in our mind and in our heart. Speak your word that when we hear it, all our demons shall depart. Clear our thought and calm our feeling; still the fractured, warring soul. By the power of your healing make us faithful, true, and whole.	Thomas H. Troeger (1945-2022)

***Call to Worship**

Horngsheng Tu

Leader We call on the power of God to meet us in our helplessness:

People God in our thinking, God in our speaking.

Leader We call on the clarity of God to meet us in our confusion:

People God in our acting, God in our stillness.

Leader We call on the mercy of God to meet us in our brokenness:

People God in our waking, God in our sleeping.

Leader We call upon the spirit of God to meets us in our division:

People God in our meeting, God in our parting.

***Hymn 15 All Creatures of Our God and King**

- 1 All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
O brother sun with golden beam,
O sister moon with silver gleam,
sing praises! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 2 O brother wind with clouds and rain,
You nurture gifts of fruit and grain,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
O sister water, flowing clear,
make music for your Lord to hear.
Sing praises! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 3 O brother fire, so warm and bright,
chase off the shadows of the night.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Dear mother earth, who day by day
unfolds such blessings on our way,
sing praises! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 4 All who for love of God forgive,
all who in pain or sorrow grieve,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Christ bears your burdens and your fears;
so, even in the midst of tears,
sing praises! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Prayer of
Confession**

Hornghsheng Tu

Like children, we fear that if we tell you what we have done,
God of Justice, you might not love us anymore.
We can kill the dreams of those around us with a word,
spoken or withheld.
We can make the lives of our friends miserable,
instead of sharing a miracle.
We are filled with that legion of temptations
which only leave us empty and wanting more.

Let us confess silently.

Forgive us, Gracious Father.

Remind us that we are no longer sinners, but your children.
Baptized, we are clothed in the graciousness and faithfulness
of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior,
who came that we might be set free of all that imprisons us.
Amen.

***Assurance of
Forgiveness**

Leader

God forgives us, so we might be new people.
God equips us, so we might serve others.

God sends us forth, so we might be a witness to everyone we meet.

People

**No one is the same: enemies are now our friends;
those we could not trust now become our confidants;
those we could not hear now speak to us of God's hope and joy.
Thanks be to God!**

***Hymn 466**

Come and Fill Our Hearts *sung three times*

Come and fill our hearts with your peace.

You alone, O Lord, are holy.

Come and fill our hearts with your peace.

Alleluia!

Offering

*Ushers will now receive the offering. You may also make your
offering electronically using the QR-code at the right.*



Solo

John Prindle Scott (1877-1932)
Chelsea Hollow, soprano

Consider the lilies, how they grow;
they toil not, neither do they spin:
Yet I say unto you, that Solomon in all his glory
was not arrayed like one of these.
If God so clothed the grass of the field, which today is,
and tomorrow is cast into the oven,
shall He not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith?
Take therefore no thought for the morrow:
for the morrow shall think not of itself.
Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.
But seek ye first the kingdom of God and God's righteousness;
and all these things shall be added unto you.

Matthew 6:28-30; 33-34

***Doxology**

DUKE STREET: *For tune, see Hymn 265.*
Arranged by Hal H. Hopson (born 1933)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God, above, ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost!**

Time with
Our Children

***The Peace**

Leader	Peace be with you.
People	And also with you.

Worship Through Hearing God's Word

**Prayers of the
People**

Cindy Burt

Prayer Partners

Jemma Fagler, Bill Feister and Judith Ross, Ed Frauenheim and
Rowena Richie, Skyla and Julius, Amberle Gallup, Claudia Garrison

**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.**

Scripture Luke 8:26-39 (pages 63-64)
Leader The Word of God in scripture.
People **Thanks be to God.**
Sermon

Pastor Henderson

Worship Through Responding to God's Word

- *Hymn 181 Silence! Frenzied, Unclean Spirit**
- 1 "Silence! Frenzied, unclean spirit,"
cried God's healing, Holy One.
"Cease your ranting! Flesh can't bear it.
Flee as night before the sun."
At Christ's voice the demon trembled,
from its victim madly rushed,
while the crowd that was assembled
stood in wonder, stunned, and hushed.
 - 2 Lord, the demons still are thriving
in the gray cells of the mind:
tyrant voices, shrill and driving,
twisted thoughts that grip and bind,
doubts that stir the heart to panic,
fears distorting reason's sight,
guilt that makes our loving frantic,
dreams that cloud the soul with fright.
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***Charge and
Benediction**

Postlude Te Deum Laudamus Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

During the postlude, you may either depart or take a seat to listen, as you wish.

However, do please join us in the fellowship hall downstairs for coffee hour.

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Today's Liturgy

The liturgy today has its roots in the Iona Community in Scotland.

Today's Flowers and Coffee Hour

Tom Culp has given today's flowers in memory of Mary Adeline Culp and has given today's coffee hour in memory of Frank Thomas Culp, Jr.

Service of Remembrance for Waldo Carter, Today

Today, after coffee hour, Old First Presbyterian Church will remember Waldo Carter with a service of remembrance in the sanctuary.

4th Saturday Community Dinner, June 28

This month's 4th Saturday Community Dinner with our neighbors and friends falls on June 28. Can you help serve the meal and feast with our guests at the dinner? Volunteers are welcomed from 4:30 pm on. Let us know you can help! E-mail us using this address:

4thsaturdaydinner@oldfirst.org

Pride Parade, June 29

If you're interested in walking or riding in the 2025 Pride Parade on June 29, please let Pastor Maggi or Mary Russell know. We will leave soon after worship, so come dressed for marching (sunblock and hat!), and bring a lunch to eat before we leave the church. More details to follow.



Old First Staffs the Food Pantry, July 12



Mark your calendars and sign up to volunteer on **Saturday, July 12**, when volunteers from Old First and St. Luke's staff the Interfaith Food Pantry.

To visit the sign-up webpage, simply use the QR-code to the right or click on the link below... or just show up!



<https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/667004851505698018/false#/invitation>

Choir on Summer Break

Our choir has begun its summer break, which lasts till Labor Day. Old First extends our deep appreciation for all the music they have sung from last September through this past Day of Pentecost. It is a blessing to have four section leaders who work so well with each other and all the other members of the choir. As the members go their separate ways this summer, we wish for each of them a time of rest and renewal.

Sign Up to Sponsor Coffee Hour

Coffee hour is an important opportunity for Old First to extend hospitality to both new visitors and long-time members and friends. And it's an opportunity for you to honor someone or commemorate some event. Sign up today on the bulletin board in the Sacramento Street entry. The cost to sponsor coffee hour is only \$50.00.

This Week at Old First

Sunday June 22

After Worship Coffee Hour, Fellowship Hall
After Coffee Hour Remembrance Service for Waldo Carter, Sanctuary
4:00 pm O1C: Le Due Muse, Russian Romantic music for piano, cello and violin
7:15 pm AA Friendly Circle, Fellowship Hall

Saturday June 28

9:00 am Interfaith Food Pantry
5:15 pm 4th Saturday Community Dinner, Fellowship Hall
8:00 pm O1C: **Sixth Station Trio**, "Music from Stardew Valley," piano, cello and violin

"Sixth Station Trio is said to be an amazing ensemble.

Don't miss their concerts this coming Saturday and Sunday." –

Pastor Maggi

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