



North Campus • 14501 N Rockwell Ave, OKC, OK 73142

15th Sunday after Pentecost September 22nd, 2019

Prelude

Welcome

*Gathering Hymn: #370

This Is My Father's World

Terra Beata

Prayer of the Day

*Hymn: #645

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above Mit Freuden Zart

Prayer for Illumination

The Word: I Peter 3:8-11

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Won't You Be My Neighbor?

Fred Rogers

Arrangement by Robert Page, Edited by Jerry Rubino

IV. *It's You I Like!*

Worship Ensemble

Teaching Moment:

“PEACE BEGINS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD”

Rev. Dr. Paul J. Kirbas

*Hymn of Response: #772

Live Into Hope

Truro

Prayer of Confession

Leader: God of the Ages, you have called us again and again to leave the ways of the world behind and follow you.

All: **Our discipleship depends on our ability to seek after something better than what we have now—to know God more fully, to fight for justice, and to seek after peace.**

Leader: But the world is ugly and filled with sin. We are selfish, distracted, busy with things that make us look and feel more important than those around us. Our competitiveness with our resumes, with our neighbors, our independence, and accomplishments overshadow our innate need for a community of people who love us like family.

All: **The game of keeping up with the Joneses overwhelms us and breaks us down instead of building us up. We divide over silly things instead of realizing how similarly God truly made us.**

Leader: At our core, we seek after peace and wholeness with one another and want the covenanted life that God promised us. Help us, O God, to leave our shortcomings at the door and fill our lives with the peace that you promise through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon and The Lord's Prayer (*Traditional*)

Hymnal p. 35

*Sharing of the Peace of Christ

Leader: Jesus constantly reminded us that our real citizenship is in the kingdom of heaven, where peace reigns supreme. May the peace of that Kingdom be with you all,

People: **And also with you.**

Invitation to Give as We Have Been Blessed

Offertory

*Doxology: #606

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Old Hundredth

*Prayer of Dedication

*Charge & Benediction

*Closing Hymn: #748

Go with Us, Lord

Tallis' Canon

*Postlude

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* This sign is an invitation, to all who are able, to stand as they offer God thanks and praise.

Leading in Worship

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Associate Pastor: Rev. Abbey Walker

Director of Worship and Music: Josh Phelps

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AT A GLANCE

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Sunday Schedule

- 5 PM - Worship

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Central Campus Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8 AM - 5 PM

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Sunday Schedule

- 8:30 AM - Chapel Worship
- 9:30 AM - Christian Education
- 10:30 AM - Sanctuary Worship

Service Broadcast

Sundays -

- 5 AM on KOKH
(check local listings)
- 11 AM on KOCO
(check local listings)
- online via our LiveStream at:
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I would like to speak with a pastor or ministry leader...

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A NOTE FROM REV. DR. PAUL J. KIRBAS

Hi, Neighbor!

Today we continue our new worship series entitled "To Be a Neighbor." With a major motion picture coming out this fall in which Tom Hanks will be playing the role of Mister Rogers, and as we celebrate the 50 year mark of his first showing of Mister Rogers' Neighborhood, this is a good time to renew our understanding of who Fred Rogers was and what his message was all about.

As you probably know, Mister Rogers always went through a clothing change at the beginning of his shows. He took off his suit jacket, put on a zipper sweater, and replaced his shoes with sneakers. When he ended his show, he reversed this pattern. Some people have suggested that this was his clergy clothing, much like when I put on a robe as worship begins and take it off when it is over. So let's begin to see the sweater as a sign that a minister is about to begin a sermon, even if it does seem very different to us.

I want to thank all of you who have responded to our Mister Rogers' Sweater

Drive. Our boxes have become so full we had to empty them to receive more from you! These sweaters will help keep people warm as the cold months approach here in our community.

So far in this series, we have lifted up Mister Rogers' Neighborhood values of love and self-control, and today we will turn to the value of peace. We have a peace wall set up next to our trolley in the Garden Court. We invite you to come by and write down a prayer for peace and place it on the wall. Lines from your prayers will be put together for the pastoral prayer next Sunday.

And now, let's continue our "To Be a Neighbor" series. Welcome back to the Neighborhood!

In God's Grace,



Rev. Dr. Paul J. Kirbas

Pastor/Head of Staff

CONGREGATIONAL OFFERINGS



Bunco Night / Sept 26

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6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Come out and learn to play the game of Bunco. It is a dice game that gets people up and moving from table to table, and so with a lot of silliness and fun, we will get to know one another better! So, come on out and play! RSVP to Rev. Abbey Walker, awalker@wpcokc.org; 405-524-2204, ext 233.

Youth Opportunity

September 28th

Service project

Who? 9th - 12th Grade

When? 10 AM - 4 PM

Where? Central Campus

What? We will have a cleaning day where we will clean and reorganize the youth room. Students are welcomed to come and go during the day. We will provide lunch for our students.

Sudden Infant Loss

October 2 & 16 / 6 PM

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SIL is a support group for mothers who have experienced infant loss. There will be lite refreshments provided. To reserve childcare, please email Lynne Bowers at melodielynnbowers@gmail.com.

Football, Chili, & Fun

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October 26th: Are you an OU or OSU fan? Well, both teams have an away game on October 26th and so we'd like to get together and watch the games (in a friendly manner) on the big screens and have a chili cookoff! What better way to really get into the spirit of Fall than football, chili, and fun? This event is open to anyone and we ask that you RSVP to Rev. Abbey Walker, awalker@wpcokc.org; 405-524-2204, ext 233 so we know who is bringing chili and how many accoutrements we'll need to go with the food. Time: TBD based on game times.

BARRE

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Don't forget that we have weekly Barre classes (think ballet workout meets Pilates) on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 5:45-6:45 p.m.