

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church

Thank you for joining us in worship today. We are so glad that you are here!
Please take a minute to fill out the friendship pad in your pew and pass it along to others.
Our desire is to serve you and your family as you seek to grow in your faith.
Please speak to the pastor if you would like to become a member of this community of faith.

WORSHIP TODAY

Flowers today are given to the glory of God and in memory of Muriel Simpson from Lavinia Brown.

Flowers...If you would like to donate flowers for the Sunday Worship Services, please sign your name on the flower chart calendar and complete the flower card, located by the bulletin boards in the hall. Please return the flower card to the church office or offering plate with your payment of **\$50.00**. Thanks for being part of this important ministry.

The Barnabas Cards are located in the pews. They are used like thinking-of-you cards. Fill out the person's name on the front and place it in the offering plate. A volunteer will address it and mail it for you.

Remember in your thoughts and prayers:

Health concerns: Brenda McCaleb; Sue Miller; Jane Christopher; Robert Corkran; Jackie & Granville Sydnor; Richard Baswell; Norma Shepherd; and Sharon Daeschner.

WORSHIP HELPS

Jesus said, "Let the children come to me..." At First Presbyterian Church, we believe that children enrich worship within the full faith community. In them, Christ is present for us. We also believe that children learn best to worship by worshipping! Therefore, all adults and youth are encouraged to help our young children experience the rhythms and rituals of worship: finding and standing for hymns, being still when we pray, and learning responses. Following "Chancel Time with Children", children are invited to take a Children's Bulletin from Pastor Jim and a worship bag or notebook to draw them further into the remainder of worship. Younger children (under 5) may go to the nursery in Room 1, if desired.

Bibles and hearing enhancement devices are available at the back of the sanctuary.

Coffee is available before and after worship in the fellowship hall.

Attendance: 6/25/17 - 88

FPC Event Calendar		
Today	Worship - Rev. Rose Niles	10:30 a m
Monday July 3	NO Committee Meetings	
Tuesday, July 4	Office Closed - Independence Day! NO Prayer Shawl No Yoga	
Wednesday, July 5	Intercessory Prayer	11:00 a m
	Brown Bag and Bible	12:00 p m
	Decluttering Group	6:00 p m
Thursday, July 6	Men's Breakfast at Franks	7:00 a m
	Pilates	10:45 a m
	Yoga NEW Sitting/Standing	6:00 p m
	Spanish Bible Study	6:30 p m
	Men's Bible Study	7:00 p m
	Yoga	7:00 p m
Sunday, July 9	Blood Drive	8:30 am-12:30 pm
	Sunday School - Pat Abrams	9:00 a m
	Worship	10:30 a m
Monday July 10	WOW - Wide Open Weekdays - 6th-12th grade	11:00 a m

**Blood
DRIVE**

JULY 9. 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

*“America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
and crown thy good with servanthood from sea to shining sea!”
Glory to God Hymn #338*

Today, we are honored to welcome **The Rev. Dr. Rose E. Niles**. Dr. Niles is a life-long Presbyterian. Ordained a ruling elder at the age of fourteen at the University Heights Presbyterian Church, serving as vice-moderator of Synod of the Northeast at the age of seventeen, and Moderator in 1995. Dr. Niles currently serves as a Development Officer, deployed in the Houston area representing Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary in that region. She took up this work in 2014 after almost seven years as Associate for Theological Education and Seminary Relations for the Committee on Theological Education and the Presbyterian Mission Agency based in Louisville, KY. Additionally, in September 2016, Dr. Niles began service as the Dean of the Chapel at the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center leading a Protestant Communion Service which is broadcast throughout the Medical Center on Sunday mornings to a globally diverse community from the Freeman-Dunn Chapel. A poet and author, Rose draws from her immigrant, bi-racial, Afro-Caribbean and Australian heritages as she seeks to affirm the full humanity of all people.

Ghost Ranch Pilgrims Return Today ~ Our seven youth and three adults return this evening after a 10-day mission/study road trip to Ghost Ranch, a beautiful PCUSA conference and retreat center in the high desert of northern New Mexico. Please pray for safe travel as they head toward home.

We also ask that parents/grandparents who are picking up the youth meet at the back door near The Oasis before the group arrives. It's so nice to see familiar faces when the group gets home! The youth will call or text later today to give an approximate time of arrival. May God continue to bless the seeds of faith, hope and love that have been planted during their time away. And, as always, we thank this gracious and generous congregation for its loving support of our youth.

Yoga News...There will be no yoga this Tuesday, July 4th, due to the holiday.

And speaking of yoga, this week we celebrate our first anniversary of yoga classes here at FPC. As a gift to you, our NEW “Summer Sitting/Standing” yoga class will begin THIS THURSDAY July 6, at 6 p.m. for anyone of any age that would prefer not to do floor poses. Our dear instructor, Carey Coker, is offering this 9-week summer class...and guess what? It's FREE! Mark your calendars and plan to feel more flexible and fit by summer's end. The regular Tuesday and Thursday classes will continue to meet as usual...Tuesdays at 6 & 7 and Thursdays at 7 p.m.

Brown Bag Bible Study Resumes this Wednesday at Noon ~ Bring your lunch and be part of this lively group led by Jim Currie as we continue the study of Colossians. Friends are always welcome.

Seeking Simplicity this Season? If so, you are invited to be part of the monthly “decluttering group” here at FPC. We'll meet this Wednesday, July 5, in Room 11 at 6 p.m.. Come join the fun in the safety of the group and experience the liberation of living with less.

Our First Youth “Wide Open Weekday” (WOW) of Summer 2017 is on Monday, July 10. All 6th-12th graders are invited for a day of mission, recreation and adventure all around the greater Houston area. Come meet at The Oasis at 11 a.m. and be part of the planning and fun. We will end at 5 p.m. No need to bring money...just a spirit of openness.

FPC Brunch & Book Group Begins Its 7th Year! On Saturday, July 15, we will gather in the narthex from 10-12 noon to discuss the book, *The Train to Crystal City*, by Jan Jarboe Russell. Curious? Come be fed in body and spirit as we continue this enlightening and lively tradition. All readers are welcome.

Sanctuary Prayer Stations ~ Need some peace and quiet this summer? Stop and walk through the interactive stations any Monday-Thursday from 10-4 for a time of rest and renewal and to offer prayers of gratitude and hope.

The June/July Newsletter is available online at www.fpcpasadena.org and in the narthex. Stay informed about our church family life by reading “At First” each month. Thanks, Barbara Davis, for a beautiful job in editing this publication.



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