

## 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 presented by Brian and Barbara Davis.

**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 - both are 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 also 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; Doris Reed; Jo Anne Reed; Nancy Heeth; Jane Christopher; Robert Corkran; Jackie & Granville Sydnor; Richard Baswell; Kenny Gilchrest; Barbara Droll; Mary Sanders; Mary Staner; Patty Kreitz; Kayla Dupree; Mike Waggett; Claudia Kreitz; Brian Davis; Norma Shepherd; and Carol Tomkins.

**Attendance: 3/19/17 109**

## 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.

## FPC Event Calendar

Today	YCAC	12:00 pm
	Handbells	12:15 pm
Monday, March 27	Sanctuary Open for Prayer 10-4	10:00 am
Tuesday, March 28	Sanctuary Open for Prayer 10-4	10:00 am
	Silent Prayer Retreat at Villa De Matel	9:30 am
	Pilates	10:45 am
	Prayer Shawl	2:00 pm
	Yoga	6:00 & 7:00 pm
Wednesday, March 29	Sanctuary Open for Prayer 10-4	10:00 am
	Baywood Crossing	10:00 am
	Intercessory Prayer	11:00 am
	Brown Bag and Bible	12:00 pm
	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
Thursday, March 30	Men's Breakfast at Franks	7:00 am
	Sanctuary Open for Prayer 10-4	10:00 am
	Pilates	10:45 am
	Spanish Bible Study	6:30 pm
	Men's Bible Study	7:00 pm
	Yoga	7:00 pm
Saturday, April 1	Shredding Event	9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Sunday, April 2	Sunday School	9:00 am
	Worship	10:30 am
	First Sunday Pot Luck Lunch	after worship
	YCAC	after lunch
	Handbells	after lunch

## FRIDGE NOTES 3-26-2017

*“Lent is a time...  
to touch his robe and feel the healing surge through us,  
a time to ponder and a time to wonder...  
Lent is a time to allow a fresh new taste of God!”*

From “Kneeling in Jerusalem” by Ann Weems

**Youth Group After Church (YGAC) Resumes Today!** All 6th-12th graders are encouraged to meet in The Oasis (Room 12) for lunch, program and play until 2 p.m.

**The April Newsletter is available online at [www.fpcpasadena.org](http://www.fpcpasadena.org) and in the narthex.** Stay informed about our church family life by reading “At First” each month.

**Yoga Classes Tuesdays at 6 and 7 p.m. and Thursdays at 7 p.m.** As we approach Easter, it is a perfect time for new beginnings. Our classes are safe places for all abilities...simply wear comfortable clothes and bring \$5 and a flexible spirit. Our instructor Carey Coker has extra mats to share.

**Day of Silence and Solitude** This Tuesday, March 28, 20 members and friends of FPC will participate in our 2nd annual Lenten day of prayer at the beautiful retreat center, Villa de Matel. All those registered should meet at FPC at 8:30 to carpool and caravan together. We will leave promptly at 8:45 to arrive in time for our 9:30 orientation. We will return to FPC by 3 p.m.. If you are willing to drive, please contact Jo Ann Currie today. Thank you.

**Lenten Resources to Deepen the Meaning of the Season as we Journey to Easter.**

**“Meeting Jesus”, a 2017 Lenten Devotional.** This year’s booklet offers daily scripture readings, reflections(creatively written from the perspective of 47 Biblical characters!) and a simple prayer. This resource is perfect for individuals and families to read together during the 40 days (plus Sundays) until Easter.

**“We Celebrate Lent”** a weekly calendar for children with tabs and suggested scripture and activities to prepare for the coming week. (1/family)

**“What is Lent?”** A coloring and activities book. (1/child)

**Self-Guided, Interactive Lenten Prayer Stations in the Sanctuary.** Come spend an hour or an afternoon in reflection and contemplation Monday-Thursday from 10-4. The hours will be extended during Holy Week. See newsletter for details.

**Hymnal Dedications. Want to Honor, Thank, or Remember a Loved One?** Stop by the table under the cross wall in the narthex for details. If you have recently purchased a hymnal, find the hymnal you bought on the same table and then place it wherever you’d like in the sanctuary. Suggested love offering is \$15/hymnal. All money goes to support the mission and ministry here at FPC and beyond.

**Shredding Day Is Finally Here!** This Saturday, April 1, from 9 to noon, bring your papers with private information to the front of the church to be shredded onsite as you watch. Simply drive up (you’ll see the truck) and helpers will unload your bags and boxes. Invite your friends and neighbors to bring their old bank statements, medical forms, and/or tax records and more. It’s freeing to let go of the things that weigh us down as we open up space for simplicity and life!

**Peeling for Peepers, this Saturday afternoon, April 1, from 2-8 p.m. @ Moose Lodge, Pasadena** After shredding your old papers, come for an afternoon of fun, food (crawfish!), music, games and an awesome silent auction...and make a difference in the world! All proceeds from this 8th Annual spring gathering go to the Foundation Fighting Blindness. Talk to Bryan Avis or Nola Bray for details or find posters on the bulletin boards for details.

**Annual Spring Fling Talent Show & Dessert Reception Saturday, April 29, from 7-9 p.m..** Do you sing, dance, juggle, tell jokes, read poetry, play an instrument, etc.? Do you bake or eat cookies or cakes? If so, then mark your calendar for some old-fashioned church family fun. Sign up today at the display in the narthex or simply plan to come to cheer the talent on. An all-act rehearsal will be Wednesday, April 26, from 7-9 in the sanctuary.

**Kairos Thank You.** FPC Family, it seems 114 dozen is the magic number, the same count of cookies we had for the last Kairos Event, a lot of work by a few people, thank you. Cookie bags and place mats were in great supply but as always the most powerful thing you can do is write a letter, they literally change lives. Thank you for your part in bringing glory to God in a troubled world. C.L., Mark Corder