

## 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 Larry & Carol Parks in celebration of Carol's 68th birthday.

**Flowers....** If you would like to donate flowers for the Sunday Worship Services, please sign your name on the flower chart calendar that is located by the bulletin boards in the hall. **It is very important that you complete the flower card** (which is located on the bulletin board next to the chart) **with details of what occasion** (in memory, honor, special occasions, etc.) the flowers are for. Please return the flower card to the church office with your payment of **\$50.00**. You may also turn in the flower card in the offering plate. 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:** Norma Shepherd; Jackie Sydnor; Brenda McCaleb; Sue Miller; Doris Reed; Nancy Heeth; Virgil Cammack; Patsy Dunbar; Jo Anne Reed; Jimmy Gilcrest; Theresa Wester; Jane Christopher; K'lonnie Barnett; Glenn Slaven; Darlene Sprague; Jimmy Gaskins; Frank Wamble; Ray Poe; Faye Chapman; and Charles Cooney.

**Loss of a loved one:** the Baker family

## 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.

**Worship Attendance:** 10/2/16 III

### FPC Event Calendar

Today	YGAC	12:00 pm
	Handbells	12:15 pm
Monday, October 10	Gathering Place Mtg.	1:30 pm
Tuesday, October 11	PW Day Circle Mtg.	10:00 am
	Pilates	10:45 am
	Prayer Shawl	2:00 pm
	Yoga	6:00 pm
	PW Night Circle	7:00 pm
	Yoga	7:00 pm
Wednesday, October 12	Baywood Crossing	10:00 am
	Intercessory Prayer Group	11:00 am
	Brown Bag Bible Study	12:00 pm
	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
Thursday, October 13	Men's Breakfast at Frank's	7:00 am
	Pilates	10:45 am
	Spanish Bible Study (BR)	6:30 pm
	Yoga	7:00 pm
	Men's Bible Study	7:00 pm
Friday, October 14	Early Set-up for Fall Festival	4:00 pm
Saturday, October 15	Fall Festival	10:00 - 4:00 pm
Sunday, October 16	Blood Drive	8:30 - 1:00 pm
	Sunday School	9:00 am
	Worship	10:30 am
	YGAC	12:00 pm
	Handbells	12:15 pm

## FRIDGE NOTES 10-9-16 Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecosty

*“O, Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;  
Be thou forever near me, my master and my friend;  
I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side,  
Nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.”  
John Ernest Bode, Hymn #724*

**Our theme for the new year at FPC is “Growing in Grace & Gratitude”.** Each Sunday morning, beginning at 9:00, there are classes for children, youth and adults. Come find YOUR place to “grow in grace and gratitude” this fall at FPC. The doors are always open.

**Youth Group After Church (YGAC) Today from Noon to 2 p.m.** All 6th-12th graders are invited to a time of fun, fellowship, mission and growing in our relationship with God, others and ourselves. As always, friends are welcome! Meet in The Oasis (Room 12) immediately after worship for lunch and more today and (almost) every Sunday throughout the year.

**Presbyterian Women (PW) Circles Meet this Tuesday, October 11, at 9:30 a.m. and at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.** What is a “circle”? It’s a group of women who love God and want to learn, serve, pray and enjoy Christian friendship. These gatherings are open to ALL women! The 2016-17 study is *“Who Is Jesus?”*. This week we will explore Lesson 2, *“Who Is Jesus According to Matthew?”* Jo Ann Currie will lead both the morning and evening lessons this month. Whether you are a seasoned member or new to the group, come be fed in body and spirit this Tuesday.

**Our First Annual Fall Festival is This Saturday, October 15, from 10-4! After months of prayerful planning and hard work, it’s finally here!** Come for food, arts, crafts, jewelry, a raffle, silent auction and more. Your thoughtful purchases (early Christmas shopping?) will support the missions & ministries of First Presbyterian Church. May God bless our efforts as together we welcome people into our church home and practice gracious hospitality in the name of Jesus Christ.

**Next Sunday we will have a pulpit exchange.** While Jim will be preaching at Peace Lutheran Church, the Rev. Rodwell Thom, pastor at Peace Lutheran, will preach here at First Presbyterian. This kind of exchange is designed to promote a greater sense of community in Pasadena.

**Wonderful Wednesday October 19th...**Unfortunately, the speaker scheduled to come to our October "Wonderful Wednesday" has notified us that, due to scheduling conflicts, she has had to postpone her presentation. We will re-schedule with her. In the meantime, **we will not have a "Wonderful Wednesday" supper or program in October.**

**Join us for pilates every Tuesday and Thursday from 10:45 to 11:45 am.** Pilates strengthens the core which improves coordination and balance. Hope to see you there!

**Yoga Classes Meet on Tuesday evenings at 6 & 7 and again on Thursday nights at 7, usually in the fellowship hall.** Come grow in flexibility, strength and health as you also strengthen friendships. Just wear comfy clothes that move with you, and bring a yoga mat, \$5, and open spirit. No mat? No problem! Our leader, Carey Coker, has extras to share. No experience is necessary.

**Pasadena Faith in Action...**On Saturday, October 22, from 8-noon we are invited to join other churches in Pasadena to help clean up two area parks -- Memorial Park (500 West Jackson) and Crenshaw Park (4950 Burke Road, just south of Crenshaw). This is part of Pasadena Faith in Action. If you are interested, please complete a "City of Pasadena Volunteer Release" form in the church office and leave it for Jim Currie. Thanks so much!

**Save Your Papers for the Community Shredding Event, October 29, here at FPC!** Also tell your neighbors and friends to save old documents and bring to FPC parking lot from 9-noon to dispose of them responsibly and safely. All papers will be shredded on site and recycled to take care of God’s planet.

**Thanksgiving Dinner November 6th....**Come join us November 6th for our annual Thanksgiving Dinner after worship. The Caring Ministry will be providing fried turkey. Please feel free to bring your favorite holiday dish or dessert. We hope to see you there.

**Anyone willing to help with the November 19th Presbytery Meeting is asked to visit the sign-up sheets in the fellowship hall. Any questions should be directed to Jim Keith.**

**There will be a Called Congregational meeting after worship on Sunday, October 23, 2016 to elect elders and deacons for the Class of 2019.**

**Class of 2019 Deacons:** Joyce Barclay, Barbara Chitwood, Sue Clark, and Betty Pendleton.

**Class of 2019 Elders:** Maurice Barclay, Donna Morrison, Jim Tinney, and Chere Wharry.

### Website Fun Facts

Did you know ....the special service information is being added to the Worship page as they are celebrated? Look at last Sunday's World Communion pictures! Go to the Welcome tab, Worship page for the link.

**FPC T-Shirts are available for sale in the hallway across from Room 11. Pick up yours today for just \$12. Christmas is coming soon...remember the cookbooks and notecards are also still available.**