

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 Martha Braswell in celebration of Jim's 70th 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; Jim Tinney; Sally Carr; Doris Reed; Nancy Heeth; Virgil Cammack; Olga Pate; Carolyn Oliver; Patsy Dunbar; Michael Lopez; George Druck; JoAnne Reed; Deborah Arambula; Gayle Warzon; Nathan Neal; Rheta Bravo; Kimberly Mejia; Sid; Jimmy Gilchrest; Rex Knapik; Rita Ross; Brian Hall; Kim Coxie; and Mel Hutchinson.

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 worshiping! 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: 4/17/16 93 Celebration Service 20

FPC Event Calendar

Today	Handbells	12:15 pm
Tuesday, April 26	Pilates	11:30 am
	Prayer Shawl	2:00 pm
Wednesday, April 27	Baywood Crossing	10:00 am
	Intercessory Prayer Group	11:00 am
	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
Thursday, April 28	Men's Breakfast at Frank's	7:00 am
	Gathering Place/Common Ground	10:00 am
	Pilates	10:15 am
	Men's Bible Study	7:00 pm
	Spanish Bible Study (BR)	7:00 pm
Saturday, April 30	Men's Breakfast	8:00 am
	PFIA	7:30 am
Sunday, May 1	Sunday School	9:00 am
	Worship	10:30 am
	First Sunday Lunch - Potluck	12:00 pm
	Handbells	12:15 pm

FRIDGE NOTES 4-24-16 Fifth Sunday of Easter

*Welcome to First Presbyterian Church,
where we remember that Easter is a season, not just one day.
We pray that the words, the music, and even the silent spaces we experience
will reflect the Good News we have to share here in this community and beyond...
Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed!*

Prayer Stations Transformation Our prayer stations at the back of the sanctuary are now stations of God's love and light. Stop by anytime the building is open to offer prayers of gratitude, healing and hope in the name of Jesus Christ.

Brown Bag Bible Study will not meet this Wednesday, April 27th. The study will resume on Wednesday, May 4th.

Attention Volunteers - The Gathering Place will meet on April 28th at 10:00 am. This month's theme is "April in Paris." Volunteers please be at the church no later than 9:30 am on that morning.

Pasadena Faith in Action will gather at 7:30 a.m. this Saturday, April 30, at the parking lot for Surgical Specialty Hospitals of America ER, 4301 Vista, between Preston and Watters, for prayer and instructions. Then we will depart for our various job sites around Pasadena. We are so happy and blessed to have our FPC church members take active participation in providing helping hands...and backs... to help others in need!

Attention Men: the Men's Breakfast is this Saturday, April 30th at 8:00 am.

First Sunday Lunch...Join us after worship next Sunday, May 1st for a pot luck lunch. Bring your favorite dish(s). Join us for good food and fellowship!

Grief Support Group Will Meet on Sunday, May 1st at 1:00 pm in the Bride's Room.

April Newsletter in Narthex and on Website...www.fpcpasadena.org For more details about the above as well as more of the life of this community, please check out the April Newsletter. *The May newsletter will be available next Sunday, May 1.*

Committees Are just around the Corner! Our next monthly committee meetings are Monday, May 2, at 6:45. We begin in the sanctuary with announcements and a devotional then move to rooms to prayerfully plan upcoming ministry. All are invited to be part of one of these ministry teams...Discipleship, Worship, Mission and Caring. (Stewardship meets on another evening.) Come deepen friendships as you make a difference in the name of Christ.

FPC Brunch & Book Group...A Different Date in May! The monthly gathering will be **Saturday, May 7**, from 10-noon. This is an earlier meeting date so please note the change. The current book is *The Light Between Oceans* by M. S. Stedman. Come be part of these enlightening and lively mornings at First and be fed in body and spirit. New faces are always welcome...whether or not you've read the book.

All Church Garage Sale, Saturday, May 14 from 8-3...Clean A Closet and Support Youth Ministry! You may bring your gently-used treasures to the fellowship hall beginning Sunday, May 8. We will begin setting up on Wednesday afternoon, May 11. Looking for a way to help? The sign-ups for this event are now in the narthex under the cross wall.

If you have a large piece of furniture that you'd like to have picked up, please sign the sheet in the narthex. We will have a truck and strong arms available on Wednesday evening, May 11, for those who register in advance. Thanks for helping make this a fabulous fundraiser!

Session Meeting Update Due to severe storms and area flooding last Monday, our monthly session meeting was cancelled. There will be no make-up so our next meeting will be on the regular date, Monday, May 16. Bonnie Keith will lead our Bible study with Lesson 3 of "Come to the Waters." If there is any action your committee needs to take before May, please contact Jim Currie so he can arrange for a called session meeting or an email vote. Thanks!

Worship Bags & Books for Children We are delighted to welcome babies and children to worship! Each week, Ruth Askine lovingly prepares the bags and binders for our little ones, including fresh playdoh to keep small hands busy. Parents and grandparents, encourage your little ones to take the playdoh home each week as our gift to them.

Just a reminder: Presbyterian Women are collecting men and women's coats starting this month for the veteran's party in December. You can continue bringing them throughout the rest of this year. There will be a box setup to put them in outside the fellowship hall.

Pastor's Discretionary Fund

People need help in our broken world. Most are embarrassed about their need. Some of them we know. Others come to us as strangers. The Pastor's Discretionary Fund allows the pastor to confidentially help those in need. Please consider marking your envelope "Pastor's Discretionary Fund," in order to be instruments of the Lord in a hurting world.

Church Family,

The next Kairos Event is June 3-5 and yes that means we need cookies, place mats, letters, cookie bags and money. All of this to show the face of Christ to broken people.

And there is more, our first team meeting was April 9 and there were only 12 volunteers; we need 50-60, men and women. If you have been saving yourself for the right moment, that moment is now. Please consider, and yes pray, about how you can muster the courage to volunteer, they are people just like you and me.

The next training session is April 23, May 7 and May 21, the event is June 3-5. PLEASE, we need you.