

## Second Sunday in Lent

## Welcome and Announcements

Please sign the Friendship Folder and pass it to others seated on your pew. If you have a prayer request, complete a yellow prayer card. Ushers will collect them during the opening hymn.

## Passing the Peace of Christ

## Prelude

*This Is My Father's World*TOPLADY  
arr. Diane Bish

## Introit #520

*Refrain from Taste and See*

James E. Moore Jr.

## †Call to Worship

Chere Wharry

One: The Lord is our light and our salvation; whom shall we fear?

**All: The Lord is the stronghold of our life; of whom shall we be afraid?**

One: We seek your face, O Lord.

**All: Do not hide your face from us!**

One: Do not forsake us, O God of our salvation!

**All: Make us strong, and let our hearts take courage.**

## †Hymn

*Hearing God's Call*

TOULON

*Hearing God's call, we gather in this place  
Pledging our faith, responding to God's grace  
Poured out on us in this community;  
Together we rejoice in unity.*

*Through all our days, the steadfast faithfulness  
Of God's great love has been our blessedness,  
Leading us on in times of ease or stress,  
Always secure in God's inclusiveness.*

*Women and men, all ages, rich and poor,  
Each seeking soul will find a welcome sure  
To fellowship in this church family,  
Sharing our strength in our diversity.*

*So let us join in song and let us raise  
Joyful voices in gratitude and praise*

*For all the days through which we have been led.*

*Trusting in God, we greet the years ahead.*

## Prayer of Confession

Loving God, you have formed a covenant with us, committing yourself to us and inviting us to walk with you. We confess that we have resisted, seeking other companions, going in different ways, thinking that we know best. Now we find ourselves far from life and further still from you. Have mercy on our waywardness. Help us find our way back. Give us faith so that we can hold the hand you extend to us in Jesus Christ.

(Silent Confession)

**Kyrie** Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

## **Assurance of Pardon**

## **Prayer for Illumination**

### **Old Testament Reading:** Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the Lord, “My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust.” Because you have made the Lord your refuge, the Most High your dwelling-place, no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent. For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways. On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone. You will tread on the lion and the adder, the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot. Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name. When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them. With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.

## **Anthem**

### *Nothing But the Blood of Jesus*

Craig Courtney

*What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
O precious is the flow that makes me bright as snow,  
No other fount I know; nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
For my pardon this I see: nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
For my cleansing this my plea: nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
O precious is the flow that makes me bright as snow,  
No other fount I know; nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
This is all my hope and peace; nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
This is all my righteousness: nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
Nothing can for sin atone: nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
Naught of good that I have done; nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
O precious is the flow that makes me bright as snow,  
No other fount I know nothing but the blood of Jesus.*

### **New Testament Reading:** Romans 10:8b-13

“The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

## **Sermon**

### *“Saved?”*

Rev. Dr. Fairfax Fair

## **†Hymn #481**

### *I Believe in God the Father*

GENEVAN 42

*I believe in God the Father, merciful and mighty Lord,  
maker of the earth and heavens, whom we worship and adore;  
And in Jesus Christ the Son, only Savior, sovereign one,  
by the Holy Spirit given, born of Mary, blessed virgin.  
Under Pilate, Jesus suffered, faithful to his final breath.  
He was crucified and buried, and descended into death.*

*From the grave he did arise; he ascended through the skies;  
now enthroned with God in heaven, he will judge the dead and living.*

*I believe in God the Spirit, and the church in every place;  
saints in glorious communion, all forgiven, full of grace;  
Flesh and blood will live again; life in Christ will never end.  
Holy Spirit, Son and Father: I will praise your name forever.*

## Call to Offering

### Offertory

*If Thou But Suffer God To Guide Thee*

WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT LASST WALTEN  
arr. Flor Peters

## Sacrament of Holy Communion



### Invitation to the Lord's Table

### Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

### Words of Institution

### Receiving the Elements

*(The individual wrapped pieces of bread are gluten free.)*

### Prayer after Communion

### †Hymn #516

*For the Bread Which You Have Broken*

KINGDOM

*For the bread which you have broken, for the  
wine which you have poured, For the words which you have  
spoken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.*

*By this promise that you love us, by your  
gift of peace restored, by your call to heaven  
above us, hallow all our lives, O Lord.*

*With the saints who now adore you seated  
at the heavenly board, may the church still waiting  
for you keep love's tie unbroken, Lord.*

*In your service, Lord, defend us; in our  
hearts keep watch and ward; in the world to which you  
send us let your kingdom come, O Lord.*

## †Charge and Benediction

### †Response #568

Amen

Marty Haugen

### Postlude

*Fugue in C Major*

Felix Mendelssohn

†Please stand in body or spirit.


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 **Flowers** today are given to the **GLORY OF GOD** in memory of Emma Abrams.

**Worship** in the Sanctuary is at 10:30 am each Sunday. Livestream can be found at [fpcpasadena.org](http://fpcpasadena.org).

**FPC Sunday School: All classes except Men's Bible Study begin at 9 am.**

- **Sunday Morning Bible Study**—8:45 am in the Library. Led by Mark Corder.
- **Stepping Out in Faith**—Bride's Room & Zoom (contact Bonnie Keith for the Zoom link). (Pat Abrams leads the current study of *Paul for Everyone: 2 Corinthians*, by N. T. Wright.) This class is taking a break.
- **Current Christianity**—Room #8, discussion of the book *The Day I Met Jesus*, by Frank Viola and Mary E. DeMuth.
- **Kindergarten through 5th grade**—Room #7. Led by Bonnie Keith and Donna Gilchrest.
- **6th-12th grade**—Room #10. Led by James Jackson and Brian Davis.

 Drop by the Fellowship Hall after Sunday School or before worship for fellowship, a cup of coffee, and possibly a 'treat'... 10-10:30 every Sunday morning.

**Memorial Service for Emma Abrams** is today at 1:30 pm. Reception following.

The 2025 Lent Daily Devotional, **The Hardest Part: Hurt We Carry, Hope We Find**, is located on the FPC website at [fpcpasadena.org](http://fpcpasadena.org).

**Young at Heart** YAH will meet this Thursday, March 20 @ 10 am, we will have a special guest. Come join us for a good time and some fellowship.

**The next Young at Heart Bus Trip** (for ages 55+) is Friday March 21, to Washington on the Brazos State Historic Site Complex, where we will get a unique insight into the lives of the people who established the Republic of Texas. Cost (\$6.00) Lunch (\$20.00), at Martha's Bloomers Café and Store. Bus will load at 7:45 am, depart at 8:00 am and return at about 4:00 pm. Please sign up early with Ruth (713-515-9248).

**The 85th Anniversary Planning Committee** wants your help! Who at FPC has made a difference in your life? Write 3-4 sentences about a saint among us past or present and submit it to [office@fpcpasadena.org](mailto:office@fpcpasadena.org) or drop it by the office. Sketches (subject to editing) will be included in upcoming bulletins as we draw closer to October 12, 2025, and our grand celebration.

**Easter Lilies** may be purchased March 23—April 13 for \$12.00 in honor or memory of a loved one and taken home after the worship service on Easter Sunday. Envelopes will be located on the pews and in the Narthex.

**Loss of loved one:** Cindy Lamb and family. Her mother Shirley Bobo died March 4, 2025. The Funeral Service is March 22, 2025 at Forest Park Lawndale. Visitation at 1:00, Funeral at 2:00, Burial at 3:00. Please keep their family in your prayers.

**Remember in your thoughts and prayers:** Pat Abrams and family; Barry Webb; Marvin Clark; Jim Tinney; Frank & Glenda Kucera; Mike & Susan Wallace; Laura Neal Hatridge and her family; Kay Hutson; Imelda Carrillo; Maurice and Joyce Barclay; Mark Clemmons' son, Adam; Iliana Vela's sister, Maribelle; Anne Berridge; Cathy Armstrong; Elois' son, Steve; Lavinia Brown's sister, Edith Morehead.

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Sunday, Mar 16	Sunday School/Men's Class—Library	8:45 am
	Sunday School/All Ages	9:00 am
	Worship With Communion	10:30 am
	Deacon's Meeting—#10	11:30 am
	<b>No Handbells</b>	
	Memorial Service Emma Abrams	1:30 pm
Monday, Mar 17	Session Meeting—FH	6:45 pm
Tuesday, Mar 18	Chair Yoga—FH	5:00 pm
	Floor Yoga—FH	6:15 pm
Wednesday, Mar 19	Brown Bag & Bible—FH	12:00 pm
	Prayer Shawl—#10 & Zoom	1:00 pm
	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
Thursday, Mar 20	Men's Breakfast—Frank's	7:30 am
	Young At Heart—FH	10:00 am
	Intercessory Prayer—Library	11:00 am
	Chain Stitchers—FH	12:00 pm
	Chair Yoga—FH	5:00 pm
	Chain Stitchers—#9	6:00 pm
	Floor Yoga—FH	6:15 pm
Friday, March 21	Young At Heart Bus Trip	7:45 am-4:00 pm
Sunday, Mar 23	Sunday School-All Ages	9:00 am
	Fellowship—FH	10:00 am
	Worship Service	10:30 am
	Handbells—#11	12:15 pm

### Mission Statement

"Our mission is to live and share the good news of God's love, grace, and mercy in Jesus Christ, to equip people for discipleship and service, and to work for social justice and peace."

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#### **Leading in Worship Today**

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