

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Welcome and Announcements

Please sign the Friendship Folder and pass it to others seated on your pew.

Minute for Mission

Bonnie Keith

Passing the Peace of Christ

Organ Voluntary *Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands*

CHRIST LAG IN TODESBANDEN, arr. Paul Manz

Introit #396 *Brethren, We Have Met to Worship*

HOLY MANNA

†Call to Worship

Imsaal Dean

One: We gather to listen and to discern God's will.

All: We join together and share our testimony in the presence of God.

One: Our delight in God is our unified song of praise.

All: We come together to worship God with our hearts united.

†Hymn #734 *Hope of the World*

DONNE SECOURS

*Hope of the world, thou Christ of great compassion:
speak to our fearful hearts by conflict rent;
Save us, thy people, from consuming passion,
who by our own false hopes and aims are spent.*

*Hope of the world, God's gift from highest heaven,
bringing to hungry souls the bread of life:
Still let thy Spirit unto us be given
to heal earth's wounds and end our bitter strife.*

*Hope of the world, afoot on dusty highways,
showing to wandering souls the path of light:
Walk thou beside us lest the tempting byways
lure us away from thee to endless night.*

*Hope of the world, who by thy cross didst save us
from death and deep despair, from sin and guilt:
We render back the love thy mercy gave us;
take thou our lives and use them as thou wilt.*

*Hope of the world, O Christ, o'er death victorious,
who by this sign didst conquer grief and pain:
We would be faithful to thy gospel glorious;
thou art our Lord! Thou dost forever reign!*

Prayer of Confession

O God, you came and lived among us, prayed for us, died for us, and live for us. You taught us that we belong to you and that your word is our truth. Forgive us, O Lord, when we live as if we belong only to ourselves. Forgive us, O Lord, when we foolishly think that power is the ultimate truth. You are the source of life itself, and only in you can we truly live. Speak your words of peace to us this day and make our lives a testimony to your grace.

(Silent Confession)

Assurance of Pardon

†Response #248 *Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna! (verse 1)*

HYMN TO JOY

***Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna! Celebrate this day of days!
Christ is risen! Hush in wonder: all creation is amazed.
In the desert all surrounding, see, a spreading tree has grown.
Healing leaves of grace abounding bring a taste of love unknown.***

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Reading Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred and twenty people) and said, 'Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus— for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.'

So one of the men who have accompanied us throughout the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.' So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, 'Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.' And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

Anthem *Love Lifted Me*

Joseph Martin

Nathan Gonzalez, flute

I was sinking deep in sin, far from the peaceful shore,
Oh, very deeply stained within, sinking to rise no more.
But the Master of the sea heard my despairing cry,
Oh, from the waters lifted me, now safe am I.

Love lifted me! When nothing else could help, Love lifted me.

Souls in danger look above, Jesus completely saves;
Oh, He will lift you by His love out of the angry waves;
Yes, He's the Master of the sea, billows His will obey;
Oh, He your Savior wants to be, be saved today.

Love lifted me! When nothing else could help, Love lifted me.

Love lifted me!

Second Scripture Reading John 17:6-19

'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

†Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed (p.35)

†Hymn #754 *Help Us Accept Each Other*

BARONITA

*Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us;
teach us as sister, brother, each person to embrace.
Be present, Lord, among us and bring us to believe
we are ourselves accepted, and meant to love and live.*

*Teach us, O Lord, your lessons, as in our daily life
we struggle to be human and search for hope and faith.*

*Teach us to care for people, for all, not just for some,
to love them as we find them, or as they may become.*

*Let your acceptance change us, so that we may be moved
in living situations to do the truth in love;*

*To practice your acceptance until we know by heart
the table of forgiveness, and laughter's healing art.*

*Lord, for today's encounters with all who are in need,
who hunger for acceptance, for justice and for bread,
We need new eyes for seeing, new hands for holding on:
renew us with your Spirit; Lord, free us; make us one!*

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Call to Offering

Offertory *At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing*

SONNE DER GERECHTIGKEIT, arr. Paul Manz

†Doxology #606

†Prayer of Dedication

†Hymn #722 *Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak*

CANONBURY

*Lord, speak to me that I may speak in living echoes of your tone.
As you have sought, so let me seek your erring children, lost and lone.
O lead me, Lord, that I may lead the wandering and the wavering feet.
O feed me, Lord, that I may feed your hungering ones with manna sweet.
O teach me, Lord, that I may teach the precious truths which you impart.
And wing my words that thy may reach the hidden depths of many a heart.
O fill me with your fullness, Lord, until my very heart o'erflow
in kindling thought and glowing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.
O use me, Lord, use even me, just as you will, and when, and where
until your blessed face I see, your rest, your joy, your glory share.*

†Charge and Benediction

†Response #695 *Change My Heart, O God*

CHANGE MY HEART

Postlude *A Hymn Of Glory*

LASST UNS ERFREUEN, arr. Paul Manz

Flowers today are given to the *glory of God* by the Worship Ministry in honor of all Mothers.

Please take a carnation of your choosing as you leave. 

Worship in the Sanctuary is at 10:30 am each Sunday. Livestream can be found at fpcpasadena.org.

Next Sunday, May 19, is Pentecost Sunday — Wear Red!

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: 1 Corinthians*, by N. T. Wright.
- **Current Christianity**—Room #8. Mark Clemmons leads the current study of the book *Elusive Grace: Loving Your Enemies While Striving for God's Justice* by Dr. Scott Black Johnston.
- **Kindergarten through 5th grade**—Room #7. Led by Bonnie Keith and Donna Gilchrest.
- **6th-12th grade** led by James Jackson and Brian Davis meets in Room #10.



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.

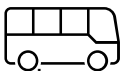
Presbyterian Women Birthday Luncheon (*covered dish*)—**Tuesday, May 14, 10 am**—for the day and night circles (*no night circle*). Study is the ninth lesson from their Bible study book; Election of their 2024-25 officers; and presentation of the **Presbyterian Women Honorary Life Membership Award**. All women of the church are invited!

BRUNCH & BOOK GROUP — this Saturday, May 18, 10-Noon in the Fellowship Hall to discuss the book **Tom Lake**, by Ann Patchett. Look for the flyer of upcoming books in the hallway.

The Mo-Ranch Women's Conference will be June 7-9. The theme this year is Getting to the Good Part! Weaving Community in Christ, based on Luke 10:38-42. The cost per person will be \$425. If you are interested in going, please contact Bonnie Keith. Carpooling can be arranged. For more information, go to: <https://www.moranch.org/attend-a-conference/adult-conferences/womens-conference/>.

Taco and a Prayer—this **Thursday morning, May 16**. Free breakfast tacos and verbal prayers are offered in a "drive-thru experience" in the church parking lot from **6:30-9 am**. At **5:30 the food prep team** begins cooking. At **6:30 the prayer team** begins delivering tacos and prayers. Come be part of this meaningful ministry in our community!

Young at Heart meets this Thursday, May 16th @ 10 am. Please bring your happy self and we will order pizza for lunch and have fun and games!



The next **Young at Heart BUS Trip** is **Friday, May 17**, to the National Museum of Funeral History, where you will discover America's largest collection of historic funeral items and so much more! For more information, flyers are in the hallway, or contact Ruth Askine @ 713-515-9248.

Attention High School Seniors: If you are a member of FPC and are a 2024 high school graduate, you are eligible to apply for the annual \$300 Young at Heart Memorial Scholarship. Application deadline is June 12, 2024. Applications located under the *bulletin boards*.

Remember in your thoughts and prayers:

Health concerns: Kay Goates; Mary & Rex Knapik; Mike & Susan Wallace; Margaret Bardin; Emma Abrams; Maurice Barclay; Pat Pesl; Kay Hutson; Brad Stratton; Imelda Carrillo; Anne Berridge; Cathy Armstrong; Corrie Martinez, friend of Richard Heeth; Patricia Roberts, John Griswold's sister; Scott Bash; Akilah Woods, friend of Samantha Cayton; Bill Myers, friend of John and Liz Griswold; Scott Moelman, Lou Anne Sinor's nephew; Sherry Sinor, the Sinor's daughter-in-law; Leah Slaven; Deborah Gaskins, Joan Gibertini's daughter; Ukraine and the Middle East.

Sunday, May 12	Sunday School-Men's Class—Library	8:45 am
MOTHER'S DAY	Sunday School-All Ages	9:00 am
	Fellowship—FH	10:00 am
	Worship Service	10:30 am
	Discipleship Ministry—Library	11:30 am
	NO Handbell Practice	12:15 pm
	Ministerio Corban—FH	4-8:30 pm
Monday, May 13	Mission & Outreach Ministry—Library	1:00 pm
Tuesday, May 14	Presbyterian Women Luncheon—FH	10:00 am
	Chair Yoga—FH	5:00 pm
	Floor Yoga—FH	6:15 pm
	NO PW Night Circle	
Wednesday, May 15	ECP Last Day of School	
	Baywood Crossing	10:00 am
	Brown Bag & Bible	12:00 pm
	Cut-Ups Last Class till August!—#9	1:00 pm
	Prayer Shawl—#10 and Zoom	1:00 pm
	Stewardship—Library	2:00 pm
	ECP Graduation	6:00 pm
	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
	Ministerio Corban—FH	7-10:00 pm
Thursday, May 16	Taco and a Prayer	5:30 am
	Men's Breakfast—Frank's	7:30 am
	Young at Heart	10:00 am
	Chain Stitchers—FH	12:00 pm
	Intercessory Prayer—Library	1:00 pm
	Chair Yoga—FH	5:00 pm
	Chain Stitchers—#9	6:00 pm
	Floor Yoga—FH	6:15 pm
Friday, May 17	YAH BUS TRIP	8:45 am
Saturday, May 18	Brunch and Book Group—FH	10:00 am
Sunday, May 19	Sunday School-Men's Class—Library	8:45 am
Pentecost Sunday	Sunday School-All Ages	9:00 am
	Fellowship—FH	10:00 am
	Worship—Communion	10:30 am
	Deacons Meeting—#10	11:30 am
	Handbell Practice—#11	12:15 pm
	Ministerio Corban—FH	4-8:30 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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