

## 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 in celebration of their sixth anniversary.

**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, 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 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; Jane Christopher; Jackie and Granville Sydnor; Norma Shepherd; Sybil Matthews; David Askine; Margaret Plunkett (Jim Currie's sister); Joy Webb; Barry Webb; Bill McPhail; Jim Currie; Jamie Jamison; and Dianne Bunnell

### 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.

**Attendance: 09/24/17 - 101**

FPC Event Calendar		
Today, October 1	Worship - Communion	10:30 a m
	First Sunday Potluck	12:00 p m
	Handbell Practice	12:00 p m
Monday, October 2	Committee Meetings	6:45 p m
Tuesday, October 3	PW Board Meeting	9:30 a m
	Pilates	10:45 a m
	Prayer Shawl	2:00 p m
	Deacons Meeting	6:00 p m
	Yoga	6:00 pm & 7:00 pm
Wednesday, October 4	Baywood Crossing	10:00 a m
	Intercessory Prayer	11:00 a m
	NO Brown Bag and Bible	1:00 p m
	Decluttering Group	6:00 p m
	Choir Practice	7:00 p m
Thursday, October 5	Men's Breakfast at Franks	7:00 a m
	Pilates	10:45 a m
	Yoga - <i>Sitting/Standing</i>	6:00 p m
	Spanish Bible Study	6:30 p m
	Men's Bible Study	7:00 p m
Sunday, October 1	Yoga	7:00 p m
	Sunday School for all ages	9:00 a m
	Worship	10:30 a m
	Handbell Practice	12:00 p m
	YGAC	12:00 p m

***“Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,  
Pass the Word around: loaves abound!”***

*Glory to God Hymnal #526*

***Finding Your Sunday School Home, Sunday Mornings at 9*** - We've started a new year of growing in the faith through our FPC Sunday School classes. If you aren't part of a class yet, we hope that you will find a place to call home each Sunday morning at 9:00. See the newsletter and/or first bulletin board for options and locations, or talk to Jo Ann Currie.

***Committees Meet Tomorrow Night at 6:45*** for a brief devotional to begin this prayerful time of planning. Each committee will then move to a classroom to make plans for the coming season. Youth and adults are encouraged to be part of this team ministry here at FPC. Your energy and ideas are welcome! Most committees close in prayer between 8:15-8:30.

***Weekly Brown Bag Bible Study*** is pausing while Jim Currie recovers from ankle surgery. The group will resume on Wednesday, November 1 from noon to 1 p.m. in the fellowship hall. The book of Daniel will be our next study.

***LOST: Gathering Place Scrapbook*** in a 3-ring binder. Last seen at the August 24 gathering. If found, bring to the church office or contact Sue Clark at 713-946-3608.

***FALL CRAFT BAZAAR is Saturday, October 14th, from 10:00 am-4:00 pm at FPC Pasadena.*** Bring your friends and neighbors and join us for a day of fun, food, and holiday shopping, while supporting FPC ministries. Sign-up sheets are in the narthex. For more information, please contact Donna Gilcrest at 281 830-3176.

***Blood Drive will be held on October 14 during the Fall Craft Bazaar.*** If you have any questions, please contact Betsy Marlow at 281-642-5624.

***Yearning to Simplify Your Surroundings?*** Join FPC Decluttering Group this Wednesday from 6-7 pm in Room 11 near the narthex. We share ideas, joys and challenges as we support one another on the road to letting go of our excess in order to live the life God might be calling us to live. All are invited...including your friends!

***Youth Group After Church (YGAC)*** begins a new year of faith and friendship next Sunday, October 8, following worship. All 6th-12th graders are invited and encouraged to gather in The Oasis (Room 12) for lunch, recreation and mission. Parents and grandparents may pick up youth at 2 p.m. Bring a friend to church and stay for YGAC!

***ECP Fundraiser*** - Order your cookie dough or braided bread for this delicious fundraiser that supports our ***Early Childhood Program*** here at FPC! Look for the order form in the narthex.

***Brunch & Book Group...Looking Ahead...*** On Saturday, October 21, from 10-noon, the FPC group will discuss the book, *West With the Night*, by Beryl Markham. Get your copy today and plan to come for a lively and meaningful conversation as we are fed in body and spirit. New friends are ALWAYS welcome!

***Shredding Day October 28, from 9 to Noon.*** Save the date AND your sensitive papers for our annual autumn on-site shredding day. Once again, A-1 Shredding will park its truck in the front driveway of the church. All we have to do is drive through and our bags and boxes of papers will be unloaded and shredded immediately, to be recycled later. Practice good stewardship of the earth while clearing out closets, cabinets, files and garages.

***Pasadena CROP Hunger Walk, Sunday, October 15, at 1:30 pm.*** We will gather at the Rotary Pavilion at Crenshaw Park/Lake, at Burke and Crenshaw. At 2 pm we will begin walking with others in our community to fight hunger both here and around the world. So....mark your calendar now, and materials will soon be available for you to participate as a Walker or a Sponsor!

***Mental Health Seminar Saturday, October 21, 2017,*** 10 am to 2 pm, at Webster Presbyterian Church, 201 NASA Road 1, Webster, TX 77598. Free lunch included. Watch "Fridge Notes" for more details.

**Four ways KAIROS needs your help:**

1. ***Cookies*** - We need ***800 dozen cookies*** for the Carol Vance Kairos Event for ***October 13***. Don't say "that's impossible" or the number is too great, just do what YOU can do.
2. ***Prayer Chain*** - The Volkswagen commercial says: "Sign then Drive". Kairos Says: "Sign then Pray". The cost to you is the time it takes you to offer a prayer and put your name on the chain. It's life changing.
3. ***Bags and Place Mats*** - Show our Brothers in White you care by coloring a cookie bag or a place mat.
4. ***Letters*** - Tell your Brothers in White they are loved, they are important, and they can make a difference, all in a simple letter. A letter is one image of God sharing with another image of Christ. We are here to care and share for one another.

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**Today is World Communion Sunday. We will be celebrating The Lord's Supper during Worship**

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**Peace & Global Witness Offering** is one of the four session-approved *special offerings* we participate in each year. Your gift to this offering can help to provide relief, shelter, and hope to families who've fled their homes in search of safety.