

## 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 Bonnie and Jim Keith in celebration of their 48th wedding anniversary on August 30th.

**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; Olga Pate; Maurice Barclay; Donny Kreitz (Roy's brother); David Askine; Jackie Baggott; Margaret Plunkett (Jim Currie's sister); Joy Webb; and Bill McPhail.

**Loss of Loved One:** Braswell 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.

**Attendance: 08/20/17 - 120**

FPC Event Calendar		
Today	Sunday school - Adult	9 : 0 0 a m
	Worship	1 0 : 3 0 a m
	Handbell Practice	1 2 : 0 0 p m
Tuesday, August 29	Pilates	1 0 : 4 5 a m
	Prayer Shawl	2 : 0 0 p m
	Yoga	6:00 pm & 7:00 pm
	Nominating Committee	6 : 0 0 p m
Wednesday, August 30	Baywood Crossing	1 0 : 0 0 a m
	Intercessory Prayer	1 1 : 0 0 a m
	Brown Bag and Bible	1 2 : 0 0 p m
	Choir Practice	7 : 0 0 p m
Thursday, August 31	Men's Breakfast at Franks	7 : 0 0 a m
	Pilates	1 0 : 4 5 a m
	Yoga - <i>Sitting/Standing/Free</i>	6 : 0 0 p m
	Spanish Bible Study	6 : 3 0 p m
	Men's Bible Study	7 : 0 0 p m
Sunday, September 3	Yoga	7 : 0 0 p m
	Sunday School - Adult	9 : 0 0 a m
	Worship	1 0 : 3 0 a m
	NO Handbell Practice	1 2 : 0 0 p m
Monday, September 4	<b>Church Offices Closed</b>	

## FRIDGE NOTES August 27, 2017 ~ Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

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***“I’m gonna live...work...pray...sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!”***

Glory to God #700

***Passing the Plate...So Much More than Money*** - Each Sunday morning, we “pass the plate” while the offertory is played. Since some of us give our financial pledges/gifts on a monthly basis or online via the church website, it’s tempting to wave the plate on when it’s handed our way. But the session would like to remind *everyone* that the plate is so much more than a place to deposit money. In addition to receiving our financial gifts and yellow prayer cards, the offering plate itself is a strong symbol of (and tool for) expressing our gratitude to God in a variety of ways. *Today, as the ushers come to each pew, let’s try something new. Whether or not we have a physical gift to offer this morning, let’s take the plate, hold it in our hands and spend a moment to privately offer the gifts of our mind, our heart, our hands, our voice, our attitudes, and/or our whole life to God, then pass the plate on down the row. This prayer practice just might transform the way we experience this important weekly ritual. May God bless all of our offerings as we grow in grace and gratitude here at First Presbyterian Church.*

***Yoga News*** - Good news! By popular request, the Sitting/Standing yoga classes will continue Thursdays from 6-7 p.m. There is still no fee for this hour of strengthening, but a love offering basket will be available for anyone who’d like to share a dollar or more. Come grow more flexible and fit each week. It’s just one way to be good stewards of the bodies God has given us. ***The regular full yoga Tuesday and Thursday classes will continue to meet as usual...Tuesdays at 6 & 7 and Thursdays at 7 p.m. Come and bring a friend.***

***Brown Bag Bible Study continues each Wednesday in the fellowship hall*** - The study, led by Jim Currie, meets weekly from noon to 1:00 p.m. Bring a lunch and be fed in body and spirit as the group walks through the Letter to the Galatians. All are welcome!

***Rally Day September 10*** - Mark your calendar for our annual “Rally Day” to kick-off a brand new year of Sunday School for all ages. Children, youth and adults will “rally” in the sanctuary at 9 a.m. for a time of singing and prayer then move to classrooms to begin a new year of growing in the faith. Watch for class details coming in the September newsletter.

***The August Newsletter is available online at [www.fpcpasadena.org](http://www.fpcpasadena.org) and in the narthex.*** Stay informed about our church family life by reading “At First” each month. The September Newsletter will be available this week.

***The 2nd Annual Fall Craft Bazaar will be held October 14, 2017*** - Call Donna Gilchrest at 281-830-3176 for more information and/or application.

***Pasadena CROP Hunger Walk*** - On 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!

***Nominating Committee News*** - In the pews for the next couple of weeks we will have forms for nominating Deacons and Elders for the class of **2020**. This is so the congregation will have an opportunity to suggest names the committee might not have considered.

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**NO Potluck on Sunday, September 3, 2017 because...we will have BBQ on Rally Day, September 10, 2017!** Jim Tinney will barbecue chicken and sausage for the Rally Day Event. Sides and desserts are provided by the Caring Committee. Love offering will be accepted.

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**The church offices will be closed Monday, September 4th, for Labor Day**