

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 with love by Barbara Davis in honor of Brian Davis's birthday on March 12.

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 - both are 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 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: Brenda McCaleb; Sue Miller; Doris Reed; Nancy Heeth; Jo Anne Reed; Jane Christopher; Robert Corkran; Marjorie Wells; Jackie & Granville Sydnor; Mel Hutchinson; Richard Baswell; Olga Pate; Kenny Gilchrest; Barbara Droll; Benjamin Ahles Iverson; Kyle Emmerick; Kay Wood; and Linda Blackwell.

Attendance: 2/26/17 97

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.

FPC Event Calendar

Today	Pot Luck Lunch YGAC Handbells	following worship following lunch 12:15 pm
Monday, March 6	Financial Peace Sanctuary Open for Prayer 10-4 Committee Meetings	6:00 pm 10:00 am 6:45 pm
Tuesday, March 7	Sanctuary Open for Prayer 10-4 Pilates Reformation Tour Departs for Germany Prayer Shawl Deacon's Meeting Yoga	10:00 am 10:45 am 11:30 am 2:00 pm 6:00 pm 6:00 & 7:00 pm
Wednesday, March 8	Sanctuary Open for Prayer 10-4 Baywood Crossing Gathering Place Board Meeting Intercessory Prayer Choir Practice	10:00 am 10:00 am 10:30 am 11:00 am 7:00 pm
Thursday, March 9	Men's Breakfast at Franks Sanctuary Open for Prayer 10-4 Pilates Spanish Bible Study Men's Bible Study Yoga	7:00 am 10:00 am 10:45 am 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm
Sunday, March 12	TIME CHANGE - Spring Forward Sunday School Worship Handbells	9:00 am 10:30 am 12:15 pm

FRIDGE NOTES 3-5-2017 First Sunday in Lent

*“No more we play the judge, for by your grace we live.
As you, O God, forgive our sin, may we forgive.”
Hymn #445, verse 3b*

Youth Group After Church (YGAC) TODAY After the Potluck Lunch, all 6th-12th graders are encouraged to meet in The Oasis (Room 12) for a time of service and recreation. First, we'll set up the Lenten Prayer Stations in the sanctuary then we'll play. From 2-2:30, there will be an important youth, parent and grandparent meeting in The Oasis to learn about our June trip to Ghost Ranch in northern New Mexico. All interested youth need to be at this meeting.

No YGAC March 12 or 19 due to the FPC Reformation Tour & Spring Break. See you on March 26!

Pot Luck Lunch TODAY following worship. Plan to stay for food and fellowship around the tables.

Financial Peace University concludes tonight from 6-7:30 with Lesson 9. We are grateful for Bryan Avis for his faithful leadership over the past 2 months!

Committees Meet Tomorrow Night at 6:45 in the Sanctuary. After announcements and a devotional, we will scatter to plan in our various meeting rooms. These are open meetings and new members are always welcome. Your voices and ideas are important as together we plan the ministries of FPCP. Come and visit a committee (or three) to find your place to serve.

Reformation Tour Group Leaves This Tuesday, March 7! All pilgrims heading to Germany (and Prague in the Czech Republic) are reminded to meet at FPC between 11:30-11:45 ready to board the five reserved shuttles to the airport. As we celebrate the 500th anniversary of the beginning of the Protestant Reformation, we pray for safe travel, prayerful attention, keen insights, and joy. The group will return on Friday, March 17.

The March Newsletter is available online at www.fpcpasadena.org and in the narthex. Stay informed about our church family life by reading “At First” each month. We are grateful to Barbara Davis for the excellent work she is doing as our new Office Manager, including publishing her first newsletter. It looks wonderful!

Lenten Resources to Deepen the Meaning of the Season as we Journey from Ash Wednesday to Easter.

“Meeting Jesus”, a 2017 Lenten Devotional. This year's booklet offers daily scripture readings, reflections (creatively written from the perspective of 47 Biblical characters!) and a simple prayer. This resource is perfect for individuals and families to read together during the 40 days (plus Sundays) until Easter.

“We Celebrate Lent” a weekly calendar for children with tabs and suggested scripture and activities to prepare for the coming week. (1/family)

“What is Lent?” A coloring and activities book. (1/child)

Self-Guided, Interactive Lenten Prayer Stations in the Sanctuary. Come spend an hour or an afternoon in reflection and contemplation Monday-Thursday from 10-4. The hours will be extended during Holy Week. See newsletter for details.

Young at Heart will be looking for Bluebonnets on the first day of Spring, Monday, March 20th. We'll take a bus to Washington on the Brazos and see the sights and Bluebonnets along the way. We will dine at a fine eating establishment on the way home. Please make reservations early. If we don't have the required number of people by Friday before the trip, it will be cancelled. See Jamie or Joan soon!

Hymnal Dedications. Want to Honor or Remember a Loved One? Stop by the table under the cross wall in the narthex for details. If you have recently purchased a hymnal, find the hymnal you bought on the same table and then place it wherever you'd like in the sanctuary. Suggested love offering is \$15/hymnal. All money goes to support the mission and ministry here at FPC and beyond.

Growing in Faith Beyond Our Walls. Our second **Day of Silence and Solitude** is Tuesday, March 28, at Villa De Matel, a beautiful retreat center just minutes from Pasadena. A sign up with additional information is on the glass table in the narthex. This new tradition through FPC is a wonderful way to respond to God's invitation to **“Be still and know that I am God”** this Lenten season and beyond.

Yoga Calendar. Our regular Yoga classes WILL meet as usual this Tuesday and Thursday, with Joy Webb serving as host while Jo Ann Currie is in Germany. Yoga will NOT meet on March 14 or 16 during Spring Break, but will resume on March 21 in the narthex.

Church Family,

It is **KAIROS** Event time again. We need your efforts for coloring place mats and cookie bags at Sunday Dinners, signing Prayer Chains, writing letters, baking cookies, and as always financial support. Please consider and help! These guys need your help to see a loving world, not the one they came from. The Kairos Event is March 10 through 12, The Closing Ceremony is March 12 at 4:30 PM at the Chapel Gate.

Cookies are due by March 8, not later, and letters are due by March 6, please.

Place cookies in the church freezer and mark **KAIROS** on the bag. For more information, call Janis Corder at 281-998-1376.

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Mark Corder

Thanks to everyone who made cookies for the last KAIROS event in October 2016. We exceeded our 100 dozen goal with 114 dozen!