

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 in honor of Jim and Martha Braswell's 49th wedding anniversary on May 11.

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; Robert Corkran; Jackie & Granville Sydnor; Richard Baswell; Kenny Gilchrest; Norma Shepherd; Carol Tompkins; Garland DeLoach; Darcy McPhail; Frances Jamison; Susan Robinson; and David Brakebill.

Loss of a Loved One: Brakebill 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: 4/30/107

FPC Event Calendar			
Today	Sunday School for all ages	9:00	a m
	Worship	10:30	a m
	First Sunday Lunch <i>-Provided by Caring Committee!</i>	12:00	a m
	Handbells	12:00	p m
	YGAC/Kids Against Hunger	12:00	p m
Tuesday, May 9	PW Luncheon	10:00	a m
	Pilates	10:45	a m
	Prayer Shawl	2:00	p m
	PW Night Circle	7:00	p m
	Yoga	6:00 & 7:00	p m
Wednesday, May 10	Baywood Crossing	10:00	a m
	Gathering Place Board Meeting	10:30	a m
	Intercessory Prayer	11:00	a m
	Brown Bag and Bible	12:00	p m
	Decluttering Group	6:15	p m
	Choir Practice	7:00	p m
Thursday, May 11	Men's Breakfast at Franks	7:00	a m
	Pilates	10:45	a m
	Girl Scouts	6:30	p m
	Spanish Bible Study	6:30	p m
	Men's Bible Study	7:00	p m
	Yoga	7:00	p m
Saturday, May 13	Brunch & Book Group	10:00	a m
	Birthday Celebration - Joan Gibertini - Fellowship Hall	3:00	p m
Sunday, May 14 <i>Mother's Day</i>	Sunday School for all ages	9:00	a m
	Worship	10:30	a m
	Handbells	12:00	a m
	YGAC	12:00	p m

FRIDGE NOTES May 7, 2017 - 4th Sunday of Easter

*“The Lord is never far away, but, through all grief distressing,
an ever present help and stay, our peace and joy and blessing,
as with a mother’s tender hand God gently leads the chosen band:
To God all praise and glory!”*

Hymn #645 “Sing Praise to God” verse 3

First Sunday Lunch is TODAY following worship and provided by the Caring Committee! The meat is being cooked by Jim Tinney, brisket and sausage. Side dishes and desserts are included. Also, fresh corn-on-the-cob from our garden! **All** are invited to a time of food and fellowship.

“Kids Against Hunger” TODAY! All youth and adults are invited to be part of a life-changing experience as we caravan to St. Philip Presbyterian for an afternoon of packing meals for hungry people. We will leave following our BBQ lunch here (around 12:45) and return by 3:30 p.m. Sign up on the glass table so we can plan transportation. *“When I was hungry, you gave me something to eat.” Matthew 25:35*

Presbyterian Women Luncheon - This Tuesday! Please join the Presbyterian Women May 9 at 10:00 am for their birthday joint meeting and luncheon. There will be a Bible study, lifetime member award, and recognition of officers. A catered lunch will follow. Circle members meet at 9:30 am for a short meeting and nomination of new officers. Night circle will meet at their usual 7:00 pm time.

Sanctuary Prayer Stations Stop and walk through the interactive stations any Monday-Thursday from 10-4 for a time of rest and renewal and to offer prayers of gratitude and hope.

Yoga Classes Tuesday at 6 & 7 p.m. and Thursday at 7 p.m. New members are always welcome. No experience? No problem! Simply wear clothes that move with you and bring a mat, \$5, and an open heart.

Pilates Classes Meet Tuesday & Thursday mornings at 10:45. Come join friends (and make new ones) as you grow in strength and flexibility!

Hymnal Dedications Want to Honor, Thank or Remember a Loved One? Stop by the table 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.

The FPC Decluttering Group will meet this Wednesday, May 10 at 6 p.m. in Room 11. All those looking to simplify their lives are encouraged to come for support and practical suggestions for minimizing “stuff”. It’s inspiring and inspirational...and a lot of fun!

FPC Brunch & Book Group This Saturday, May 13, from 10-12. We’ll gather in the narthex to discuss the book *A Gentleman in Moscow*, by Amor Towles. The group is open to all readers within and beyond this congregation. Find your copy today and begin reading this delightful novel filled with wisdom, hope and humor, then come be fed in body and spirit as we share insights and lively conversation.

The May 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.

Calling ALL 2017 Graduates! On Sunday, June 11, we will honor all graduates (high school, community college, university, post graduate, etc.) during worship. To make sure we don’t leave anyone out, please contact the church office with the name of your FPC graduate. May God bless each one (and their families) during this important time of transition.

Teacher Appreciation Sunday Next Sunday, May 14, we will honor and thank our teachers who have helped us grow in grace and gratitude this year. May God continue to bless the seeds that have been planted through Sunday morning and mid-week classes/studies.

Wonderful Wednesday...Save the Date! On Wednesday, May 17, we will hear stories and see images from Carol Latimer and Jane Swanson who have recently travelled to Cuba on two different trips. Come enjoy delicious food at 5:30, then be fed in spirit as we learn about this country that has been closed to most of us. If you’d like to bring a salad, please sign up on the glass table in the narthex. Thanks!

FPC Handbells has openings for Ringers! No musical experience necessary, we’ll teach you all you need to know...joy and pride is the added bonus! Handbells meet each Sunday after worship for an hour. Join us this, or any, Sunday, to see what we are all about. Contact Martha Braswell, Handbell Director, with any questions at 713-854-2639 or email magtoc@aol.com.

Taken any inspirational pictures lately? Please send any of your favorite images for possible use on slideshows, newsletters, bulletins to Barbara at office@fpcpasadena.org.

**We will be celebrating The Lord’s Supper
May 21 during Worship Service**

**There will be a Called Congregational meeting after worship on
Sunday, May 28, 2017, to elect the 2017 Nominating Committee:
Jim Braswell, Lavinia Brown, Danny Slaven, and Joy Webb.**