

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.*

WORSHIP TODAY

Flowers today are given by Sandra Baswell in memory of Richard Baswell.

Sanctuary Flowers - If you would like to donate flowers for the Sunday Worship Services, please sign your name on the **2019 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: Margaret Plunkett; Imelda Carrillo; Louis McCaleb; Bobby Caldwell; Dannie Bryars; Roy Kreitz; Don Kreitz; Celia Scheer; Virginia Fitz; Jackee Baggott; and Elois Murray.

WORSHIP HELPS

Jesus said "Let the children come to me." Families with young children are invited to sit in the pews on the organ side of the sanctuary (if desired) to allow the children to do quiet activities using the tables and pillows in our "pray ground". As always, our nursery (Room 1) is open for children 4 and younger following "Chancel Time with Children", should parents/grandparents choose that option.

Bibles and hearing enhancement devices are available at the back of the sanctuary.

Coffee, Wassail, and Cookies are available before and after worship in the fellowship hall.

Attendance: 12/2/2018 - 98

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Today, Dec. 9	Sunday School	9:00 am
	Worship	10:30 am
	Musical Rehearsal	12:00 pm
	YGAC	12:00 pm
	Handbells	12:15 pm
Monday, Dec. 10	Elder Training/Called Session Meeting	6:00 pm
Tuesday, Dec. 11	Presbyterian Women Day Circle	10:00 am
	Pilates	10:15 am
	Prayer Shawl	2:00 pm
	Yoga/Chair	6:00 pm
	Presbyterian Women Night Circle	7:00 pm
Wednesday, Dec. 12	Yoga/Floor.	7:00 pm
	Baywood Crossing	10:00 am
	Intercessory Prayer	11:00 am
	Brown Bag & Bible	12:00 pm
	ECP Christmas Program	6:00 pm
Thursday, Dec. 13	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
	Men's Breakfast at Frank's	7:00 am
	Pilates	10:15 am
	Yoga/Chair	6:00 pm
	Spanish Bible Study	6:00 pm
	Men's Bible Study	7:00 pm
	Interfaith Manor Board Meeting	7:00 pm
Saturday, Dec. 15	Yoga/Floor	7:00 pm
	<i>Men's Breakfast in Fellowship Hall</i>	8:00 am
Sunday, Dec. 16	Sunday School	9:00 am
	Worship-Musical	10:30 am
	YGAC Party	12:00 pm
	Handbells	12:15 pm

Presbyterian Women

1. The *Joint Christmas Circle Meeting and Luncheon* is Tuesday, Dec 11, 10 am. Bring a favorite holiday dish and let's celebrate together. Night Circle meets that evening, Dec. 11, 7 pm. Please come and join us either time for an enjoyable, prayerful time with like minded ladies.

Officer Training/Called Session Meeting

ALL (Current, Incoming & Outgoing) Elders Operational Training and Called Session Meeting Monday, 12/10/18, 6 - 9 pm, Bride's Room.

Advent Devotionals - This year there are two devotionals to choose from. One for families, good for all ages; and one from Pittsburgh Seminary, for adults. Pick up your copy today in the narthex.

Brown Bag Bible Study meets Wednesday, 12-1 pm, in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your lunch and join this lively discussion! **"The Inn Crowd", An ALL Church Musical During Worship, December 16**

If you would like to join the cast and crew for the musical, which will be the sermon, on Dec. 16, please join us for lunch, then practice today after church and Dec. 16 at 9 am. There is always room for more Inn guests, shepherds, animals, and angels on the morning of the 16th. If any questions, ask Marilyn or Jessie dce@fpcpasadena.org.

Yoga and/or Pilates - Cost \$5 - Yoga Chair Tue/Thur at 6 pm. Yoga 7 pm. Pilates meets Tue/Thur at 10:15 am.

Spanish Bible Study

The Spanish Bible Study, led by Imelda Carrillo, meets Thursday at 6 pm in the Prayer Shawl Room. All are invited! *Estudio Biblico en Español. Los Jueves a las 6:00 pm. Todos Estan Invitados. Mas Information Llame la Iglesia.*

Pasadena Interfaith Manor "IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE" at Pasadena Little Theatre

The Board of Directors of PIM invite you to Pasadena Little Theatre's Presentation of "It's a Wonderful Life" on Friday, December 14, 2018, 8 pm, \$10 each. *Tickets: Lavinia Brown, Brian Davis, Milo Wharry*

Pasadena Community Ministry needs your help for Christmas baskets

1. Your \$10.00 to PCM will help fill a basket for Christmas for those less fortunate in Pasadena and Deer Park. Checks can be made payable to PCM. Ruth Askine will deliver the money to PCM, and we thank you very much!
2. PCM needs volunteers in the food pantry on Tuesday mornings and Thursday afternoons. The location is at Faith Presbyterian Church, at 2301 South Houston Road and Queens Road, across the street from Nelda Sullivan Middle School. For more information see Tom Hoffman, Dee Lowery, or Ruth Askine.

Chrismon Kits available in the hall outside the Bride's Room. Pick up your Chrismon to take home and decorate!

Bethlehem Market

Today in the bulletin you will find an order form for The Bethlehem Market, an alternative gift market. You may take the form home and return it next week with cash or check written to FPC. You donate to your favorite mission in honor of someone, and you will be given a gift card to send to the person you are honoring. Stop by to shop and give a gift that will make a difference.

Seafarers Boxes

Many seafarers are away from home during the holidays. Brighten their trip to Houston by filling a Christmas box for Port chaplains to distribute. Empty plastic boxes and directions can be found in the narthex. Please return filled and wrapped boxes by Sunday, December 16. Special thanks to the Presbyterian Women for the 40 boxes they filled.

Confirmation Class

All youth who are not yet confirmed are invited to be part of the upcoming series of classes and experiences. Classes will begin January 6, at 2 pm. For more information and to sign up please see Jessie by Dec. 19.

Youth Trips

The youth will be going on three different trips in 2019. More information to follow in the newsletter and the youth bulletin board. Information and some deposits are due to Jessie Dec. 16.

Financial Update from Kimberly Waggett-Pledges are up to \$323,312.00. Have you turned in your pledge today?

Giving Tree

Mission and Outreach Committee is sponsoring the Giving Tree for a Pasadena family in need. It is on the table that you see near the front door of our church. Gloria is a handicapped single mom with three children, ages 16,12 and 9. She frequently attends Pasadena Community Ministry for food and clothing. Some of our volunteers at PCM have known her and befriended her for about 12 years.

- Choose an ornament, or tag, from the tree with a name and a gift to purchase.
- Wrap the gift, with a tag for the recipient's name.
- Return it to church by **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23**. Place it/them under the big tree in the narthex.

Tamale Sunday

Plan now to pick up a dozen tamales on Sunday, December 16. \$10.00 for these fresh, hot tamales (chicken or pork), available in the fellowship hall, after church. Hugs and thanks for your help for Gloria's family in need--The Mission and Outreach Committee.

URGENT SAFETY REQUEST! Please confirm church outside doors are locked at all times (except during Sunday mornings and specific church functions). If you unlock, you must be responsible for locking. Never assume someone else will lock up. If in doubt, please lock!