

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 to the glory of God from Melba and Danny Slaven in honor of their 49th wedding anniversary.

Sanctuary Flowers - If you would like to purchase 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 a note on the back, then place it in the offering plate.** A volunteer will address and mail it for you.

Remember in your thoughts and prayers:

Health concerns: Louis McCaleb; Dave Askine; Frances Jamison; Paul McGoff (Lavinia Brown's nephew-in-law); Emma Abrams; Jimmy Gilchrest; Luis Alvarez; Robert Corkran; Jamie Jamison; Imelda Carrillo; Donna Morrison; Leah Palmer.

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 12/15/2019 -108

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Today, Dec. 22	Sunday School	9:00 am
	Worship	10:30 am
	Handbells	12:15 pm
Tuesday, Dec. 24	Office Closed - Christmas Eve	
	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service	
	Communion 7:00 pm	
Wednesday, Dec. 25	Office Closed - Christmas Day	
	Informal Worship in Narthex	10:30 am
Thursday, Dec. 26	Yoga Chair - FH	5:00 pm
	Yoga Floor - FH	6:15 pm
Sunday, Dec. 29	Sunday School	9:00 am
	Worship	10:30 am
	Handbells	12:15 pm



FRIDGE NOTES - December 22, 2019 - Fourth Sunday of Advent

*“Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;
go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!”*

Upcoming Worship Services

Christmas Eve Candlelight & Communion Worship for all ages Tuesday night at 7 pm.

Christmas Day Informal Worship Tuesday morning, at 10:30 am. Come celebrate with songs, scripture, stories and prayers as we gather in a circle around the manger in the narthex for this cozy FPC tradition.

Today is the Fourth Sunday of Advent. Today we light the fourth (LOVE) candle on the Advent wreath and sing special Advent hymns in worship. To add meaning to this season, pick up a copy of the **2019 Advent Devotional** on the glass table in the narthex.

The Christmas JOY OFFERING provides critical financial assistance to church leaders in need and supports opportunities for future leaders at Presbyterian racial ethnic schools. Please give generously to this special offering on Sunday, December 22.

YOGA Classes led by Carey Coker. \$5 each on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. 5 pm for chair/standing yoga class / 6:15 pm for full mat yoga class. **No Yoga classes on Dec. 24 or Dec. 31.**

The Bethlehem Market, the alternative gift market, is open in the narthex after worship services today and the next two weeks. You may donate by cash or check (written to FPC) 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.

Brunch & Book Group meets next on Saturday, January 18, 10-12 pm, in the Fellowship Hall to discuss “Upheaval” by Jared Diamond. All are invited - whether you have read the book or not!

New and Improved Website - Please go to www.fpcpasadena.org and check out the church website. **Every week** Bonnie Keith and Amanda Baker add new information about FPC Pasadena. It is fun and informative, you might even find out something new! If you have any suggestions or corrections, please contact Bonnie Keith at bonniejeith@hotmail.com.

Brown Bag Bible Study, led by Rev. Fairfax Fair, returns Wednesday January 8, Noon-1 pm, in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your lunch and join in the study. Rev. Fair would like to know if you have a particular book of the Bible you would like to study. Please email her at revfair@fpcpasadena.org or call the church office at 281-991-8700.

2020 PLEDGE UPDATE: Thanks to those who have turned in their pledge cards. And if you haven't...it's not too late! Your turning in the pledge card helps the session know how to plan for next year.

Church offices will be closed on the following dates:

- * December 24-25, Tuesday & Wednesday, in observance of Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.
- * January 1, Wednesday, for New Year's Day

The Installation of Rev. Dr. Fairfax Fair is January 19, Sunday, during Worship at FPC Pasadena. There will be a BBQ lunch celebration following the installation and worship.

Cookies for Kairos. The upcoming Kairos events are in February 2020 and March 2020 and we need cookies. 300 dozen is the goal, 150 per event. You can start today and put them in the kitchen freezer! Cookie bags, place mats, and money have no expiration date and are always accepted! You are a blessing to many men that were totally lost and now they have Jesus Christ to ponder. Thank you in advance for what you do for the call of Christ. Questions? Contact Janis Corder at 281-221-6349.

Barbara Davis will be out of the office December 23-27.

