



SERMON

ON THE MOUNT



EASTERTIDE

May 15, 2022, 9:00am

Welcome!

Thank you for joining us for worship in the FPC Sanctuary and welcome to those of you worshipping with us online.

Learn about activities and ministry opportunities in the Announcements section and on the church's website.

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First Presbyterian Church
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The Lord's Supper Instructions

We observe the Lord's Supper every week in worship. This communion meal is meant to unite us to Jesus Christ as well as each other. In it, we reaffirm the promises of our baptism and recommit ourselves to love and serve God and neighbor. We prepare to celebrate the Lord's Supper by putting our trust in Christ, confessing our sin, and seeking reconciliation with God and one another.

While we are being served communion at the table, the pastor will bring both bread and cup to all who are seated and cannot come to the table.

At the end of all being served, a deacon will come to the table and take from the table some bread and cups, and exit up the aisle.

Later that day and during the week the deacons will take these to our members who could not attend worship, thus extending the communion to all our members.

If you are not a Christian, please consider using this communion time to pray with one of the following printed prayers:

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior. Amen.

First Presbyterian Church of San Diego

Worships God

by
Gathering around the Word
Hearing the Word
Responding to the Word

Eastertide

May 15, 2022, 9:00am

Gathering Around the Word

Singing Our Praise

Lion and the Lamb

Being Called to Worship

*Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!*

For he is our God,

**and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.**

Psalm 95:6-7a

Singing Our Praise

Rejoice, the Lord is King, #155

Announcing the Gospel

*God, who is rich in mercy,
out of the great love with which he loved us,
even when we were dead through our trespasses,
made us alive together with Christ –
by grace you have been saved.*

Ephesians 2:4,5

*As forgiven people,
we have courage to be honest about our lives, confessing our sin.*

Confessing our Sin

**Eternal God, our Judge and Redeemer,
We confess that we have tried to hide from you,
for we have done wrong.**

We fail to worship and serve you rightly.

**We live for ourselves,
and turn from our neighbors
refusing to bear their troubles.**

**We ignore the pain of the world,
passing by the hungry,
the poor, and the oppressed.**

**We remain captive to doubt and fear,
bound by the ways that lead to death.**

(silence for individual confession)

**God of mercy,
forgive us our sin.**

**In raising Jesus from the grave
you shattered the power of sin and death.**

**Deliver us from selfishness,
that we may choose your will
and obey your commandments,
that we may know the joy of life abundant
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Declaring God's Pardon

*All of us, like sheep, have gone astray,
but now we have returned
to the Shepherd and Guardian of our souls.*

1 Peter 2:25

In Christ, your sins are forgiven. Know this and be at peace.

Offering Our Lives in Gratitude

How shall we show our gratitude for such a salvation?

**“I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt,
out of the land of slavery.**

“You shall have no other gods before me.

**“You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of
anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the
waters below. You shall not bow down to them or worship
them; for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing
the children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth
generation of those who hate me, but showing love to a
thousand generations of those who love me and keep my
commandments.”**

Deuteronomy 5:6-10

Passing the Peace

*Because Christ has established this peace for us with the Father,
so too ought we to be at peace with one another.*

*The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.***

Let us greet one another in this way.

(Children may come forward to the front pew for Telling the Story)

Singing Our Praise

Christ Be Magnified

Offering Our Prayers

Hearing the Word

Telling the Story & Praying the Lord’s Prayer

The God Who Sees

Matthew 6:1-18

(After this, children may leave for Kidz Worship)

Offering Our Music

He Has Forgiven Me, arr. J. Daniel Smith

Praying for Illumination

Reading the Word Matthew 6:1-18

Declaring the Word Drawing Near to God

Responding to the Word

Presenting God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offering Our Music

Our Father, arr. Craig Courtney

Celebrating the Lord's Supper

Singing Our Praise

Living Hope

Receiving the Charge & Blessing

Postlude

Heaven Medley, arr. Halling

Servant Schedule

Liturgy Pastor: Jeff Myers

Preaching Pastor: Margaret Walls

Offering our Prayers: Chrissy Ambler

Offering our Music:

Worship Leader & Electric Guitar: Adam Michel

Bass Guitar: Martin Mele

Electric Guitar: Jeremiah Flietstra

Drums: Danny King

Piano: Sharon Esqueda

Westminster Choir: Rodney Girvin, Director & Organist

Bass Soloist: Glenn Thomas

Westminster Orchestra: Judith Thomas, Director

Tech Director: Dave Jones

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Academy of Faith – Sundays, 10:30am

All adults are welcome and encouraged to attend one of these classes after the 9:00am worship service:

The Ten Commandments: In a culture that glorifies self and disregards truth, God's Word speaks clearly into every area of our lives. The Ten Commandments are a mirror to expose our sin and send us to Jesus Christ as Savior, charting our pathway.

Kirk Rogers, teacher – West Room

Mere Christianity: An overview of C.S. Lewis' seminal defense of Christianity through lecture and discussion, equipping participants to more effectively communicate their faith to non-believers.

Greta Myers, teacher – West Tower

FPC Sunday School – 10:30am

The Nest: Infant through 4 years old – Early Childhood Classroom

The Flock: Kindergarten through 5th grade – Christian Ed Building Roof

Children are also invited to attend Kidz Worship following Telling the Story in the 9:00am worship service.

For more information, contact Peggy Gross: peggy.gross@fpcsd.org

The Gathering: Middle School and High School – Youth Room

For more information, contact Micah Howard: micah.howard@fpcsd.org

Jazz Vespers – Sundays, 4:30pm – 4th Avenue Chapel

Archie Thompson's Archtones, guest musicians, and our pastors lead us in worship with jazz, blues, and gospel, prayers, preaching from the Word of God, and communion. Please join us in the Chapel. If you can't attend in person, the services are available at livestream.com/fpcsd

Ukraine Outreach Foundation Appeal

Thanks to many generous gifts, The Outreach Foundation (TOF) has been able to send funds to Ukraine, assisting both Ukrainians fleeing and those staying in Ukraine. TOF is also sending funds to Poland and Lithuania to provide Ukrainian refugees (more than 3 million so far!) with food, water, medicine, and clothes.

FPC has sent \$2000 from our Missions emergency account to The Outreach Foundation, one of our trusted mission partners. We encourage you to give donations through them: theoutreachfoundation.org/ukraine-appeal

Ladle Fellowship

Chefs Needed!

Prepare and share your favorite family recipe! We have open spots for Ladle chefs. Ladle Fellowship needs volunteers who enjoy cooking and have a heart to serve the urban poor and our vulnerable neighbors on the streets.

Each week, our volunteer chefs and Ladle team serve hundreds of meals to those in need. We provide the commercial kitchen and ingredients, but we need your culinary talent and heart to serve. Please contact Ladle Director, John Savidge, john.savidge@fpcsd.org

Reading Glasses Roundup!

Give your older reading glasses a new life. Many Ladle guests use readers and it's often requested. Any type – Any strength. Please drop them off at the Office or Narthex.

Upcoming Events:

May 21 – San Diego Master Chorale Concert – 7pm in the Sanctuary

Be a part of the 60th season celebration as the San Diego Master Chorale returns to First Presbyterian Church, the beautiful setting of their 2016 performance of Shawn Kirchner's "Songs of Ascent", the series of Psalms. Sunday May 21, 2022. Doors open at 5:45pm, Pre-concert talk with composer Shawn Kirchner and director Dr. John K. Russell at 6:15. Performance at 7:00pm.

Tickets available at www.fpcsd.org/events and at the door.

May 22 – Odeum Guitar Concert – 7pm in the Chapel

"A Concerto Programme" featuring Fred Benedetti with Nancy Coto on piano.

They will be playing pieces from "Concierto de Aranjuez" by Joaquin Rodrigo and "Concerto in D" by Antonio Vivaldi.

General Admission \$15. Seniors, Students & Military \$10.

May 24 – Honoring Our Seniors – Noon – West Room

3rd Tuesday Fellowship has been rescheduled this month! Lunch at Noon.

Presentation follows. Join us as we honor our special members.

Suggested \$5 donation. Register at www.fpcsd.org/events

June 11 - God at Work in San Diego: A Call to Action! – 8:00am - Noon

Learn and work alongside others as we partner with our local missions:

Downtown Fellowship, Ladle, New Day, and the San Diego Rescue Mission.

Bring your children! And please, ask your friends and neighbors to join you! Meet

in the Assembly Room at 8:00am for a quick snack and a devotional from Ben

Montoya before we head out to one of the four locations. Find more information

and sign up today at www.fpcsd.org/missions.

July 3-8 and July 31-Aug 5 – Forest Home Summer Camp 2022

After a 2-year hiatus, FPC is going to Forest Home again!

Current 2nd-4th Graders – Church subsidized cost: \$300 (actual \$439).

July 3-8. For more info, contact: peggy.gross@fpcsd.org

Current 5th-12th Graders – Church subsidized cost: \$425 (actual \$589).

July 31-Aug 5. For more info, contact micah.howard@fpcsd.org

Weekly Opportunities:

Sundays

9:00am – Worship Service in the Sanctuary (or online)

10:15am – Coffee Fellowship – Assembly Room
(extended fellowship last Sunday of each month)

10:30am – Sunday School & Academy of Faith
(except last Sunday of each month)

2:30pm – Middle School Girls Bible Study
Bi-weekly. Contact Carol Rogers for info: kandcrog@cox.net

4:30pm – Jazz Vespers – 4th Avenue Chapel (or online)

Tuesdays

8:00-9:00am – Praying for Our Families – Sanctuary
Stay for 5 minutes or an hour. Spend time in silence. You may also drop off prayer requests. Contact Peggy: peggy.gross@fpcsd.org

6:45pm – Analytical Bible Study for Men & Women – Zoom
Contact Glenn: glenn@gcthomas.com

Wednesdays

12:00-12:30pm – Midweek Prayer
Join us Wednesday as we pray for the world, our nation, city, and church family. Meet in the Prayer Room at Noon. For more information, contact Jeff: jeff.myers@fpcsd.org

6:00-8:00pm – Westminster Orchestra Rehearsal
Contact: Judith Thomas, judith@gcthomas.com

Thursdays

7:00-8:00am – Men’s Bible Study – Zoom

Contact Lloyd: lloyd.tooks@fpcsd.org

9:30am – Women’s Bible Study – Zoom

Studying the book of *John*. Contact Sharon: slaabs@spice-weasel.com

6:00-7:30pm – *The Gathering*: FPC Youth Group, 6-12th Grades

Enjoy pizza, games, and friends on the Roof. For more info, contact Micah: micah.howard@fpcsd.org

6:00-7:30pm – Parenting Class – West Room

Grace Based Parenting. Join us for study and discussion, *Creating an Atmosphere of Grace*, by Dr. Tim Kimmel. Childcare provided in Scout Room. For more information, contact Peggy: peggy.gross@fpcsd.org

7:00-9:00pm – Westminster Choir Rehearsal – Rehearsal Room

Contact Rodney Girvin, rodney.girvin@fpcsd.org

Fridays

8:30-9:45am – Women’s Bible Study – West Room & Zoom

God of Freedom: A Study of Exodus 19-40. Join us for this 10-session study by Jen Wilkin, beginning April 1.

12:00-12:30pm – Midweek Prayer – Zoom

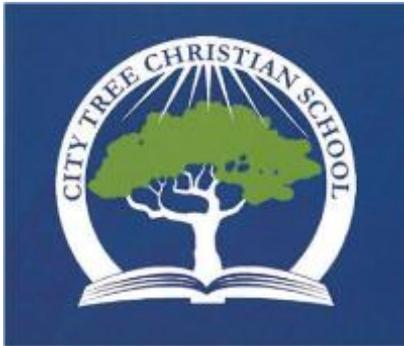
Join us Friday as we pray for the world, our nation, city, and church family. Request the Zoom link from Jeff: jeff.myers@fpcsd.org

FPC MINISTRIES



Our **FPC Mission Partners** share the good news of God's love with people around the world. Please pray for them throughout the year as they come alongside people in the difficult places where God has called them, in San Diego and beyond. Pray that we will all learn more about what it means to make mission our life's purpose and the purpose of the church. Read about our mission partners and

see how you can pray, give, and go where God calls. For more info, contact: missions@fpcsd.org or visit us at www.fpcsd.org/missions



City Tree Christian School, an outreach ministry of First Presbyterian Church of San Diego, is dedicated to academic excellence integrated with the teachings of Jesus Christ found in the Bible. Children will excel academically, be good citizens, and know God when provided educational experiences, needed care and protection in a loving Christian environment. Founded in 1976, City Tree began as a preschool and has grown to now serve infants through 8th grade.

www.citytree.org



**LADLE
FELLOWSHIP**

Ladle Fellowship, a ministry of FPC since 1983, now *Beyond a Soup Kitchen*, lovingly addresses the needs of the poor and those experiencing homelessness. We serve meals and provide clothing for those in need on Sundays at 2:00pm and Wednesdays at 5:00pm. Our San Diego

Street Choir rehearses each week and our medical ministry, Street Corner Care, provides medical care for the poor and individuals suffering on the streets. We've partnered with "Walk With Me" – a new approach to mentoring our vulnerable neighbors experiencing homelessness through the gift of friendship.

www.ladlefellowship.org