

#### **SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

Please sign the Friendship Folder and pass it to others seated on your pew. If you have a prayer request, complete a yellow prayer card. Ushers will collect them during the opening hymn.

Minute for Mission Chain Stitchers Donna Gilchrest

**Passing the Peace of Christ** 

Organ Voluntary Toccata from Variations on America Austin Lovelace

Introit The Pledge of Allegiance Linda Spevacek

†Call to Worship James Jackson

One: We are grateful for your steadfast love, O God, All: and our praise reaches to the ends of the earth.

One We tell the next generation: God will be our guide forever.

All: Let us rejoice in our mighty Lord!

**†Hymn #263** All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name! CORONATION

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!

Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all! Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe on this terrestrial ball to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all! To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all! We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all!

### **Prayer of Confession**

You are love, O God, and you have loved us from the beginning. Forgive us when we do not share your love with the world, when we choose selfishness over compassion, what feels comfortable over what is right. Forgive us when we strive for success instead of faithfulness, when we value independence over community. Forgive us of the ways we fall short, O God, and free us to try again, allowing your love to lead the way.

(Silent Confession)

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

### †Gloria Patri #581

## **Prayer for Illumination**

# Old Testament Reading: Ezekiel 2:1-5

He said to me: "O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you". And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. He said to me, 'Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them', and you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God.' Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them."

**Anthem** 

The Mansions of the Lord

Nick Glennie-Smith, arr. Benjamin Harlan

To fallen soldiers let us sing, where no rockets fly nor bullets wing; Our broken brothers let us bring to the mansions of the Lord.

No more bleeding, no more fight, no prayers pleading through the night; Just divine embrace, eternal light in the mansions of the Lord.

Where no mothers cry and no children weep, we will stand and guard though the angels sleep; All through the ages safely keep, the mansions of the Lord.

#### **New Testament Reading:** Mark 6:1-13

He left that place and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

Sermon "Select Company" Rev. Dr. Fairfax Fair

†Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed (p.35)

O Christ, the healer, we have come to pray for health, to plead for friends. How can we fail to be restored when reached by love that never ends?

From every ailment flesh endures our bodies clamor to be freed; yet in our hearts we would confess that wholeness is our deepest need.

How strong, O Lord, are our desires, how weak our knowledge of ourselves! Release in us those healing truths unconscious pride resists or shelves.

In conflicts that destroy our health we recognize the world's disease; our common life declares our ills. Is there no cure, O Christ, for these?

Grant that we all, made one in faith, in your community may find the wholeness that, enriching us, shall reach the whole of humankind.

## Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

**Call to Offering** 

**Offertory** What is the World to Me from Cantata 129

J. S. Bach, arr. Barbara Harback

†Doxology #606

†Prayer of Dedication

†Hymn #331

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

NATIONAL HYMN

God of the ages, whose almighty hand leads forth in beauty all the starry band of shining worlds in splendor through the skies, our grateful songs before thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past. In this free land by thee our lot is cast. Be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay: thy word our law, thy paths our chosen way.

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence, be thy strong arm our ever sure defense. Thy true religion in our hearts increase. Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

Refresh thy people on their toilsome way. Lead us from night to never-ending day. Fill all our lives with love and grace divine, and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.

#### †Charge and Benediction

**Postlude** 

From Sea to Shining Sea

Samuel A. Ward, arr. Maurice Whitney

\*Flowers today are given to the GLORY OF GOD by Milo and Chére Wharry in celebration of their 63rd wedding anniversary on July 9<sup>th</sup>!

Worship in the Sanctuary is at 10:30 am each Sunday. Livestream can be found at fpcpasadena.org.

FPC Sunday School: All classes except Men's Bible Study begin at 9 am.

- Sunday Morning Bible Study—8:45 am in the Library. Led by Mark Corder.
- **Stepping Out in Faith**—Bride's Room & Zoom (contact Bonnie Keith for the Zoom link). Pat Abrams leads the current study of Paul for Everyone: 1 Corinthians, by N. T. Wright.
- Current Christianity—Room #8, resumes August 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Kindergarten through 5th grade—Room #7. Led by Bonnie Keith and Donna Gilchrest.
- 6th-12th grade—Room #10. Led by James Jackson and Brian Davis.



Drop by the Fellowship Hall after Sunday School or before worship for fellowship, a cup of coffee, and possibly a 'treat'... 10-10:30 every Sunday morning.

**First Sunday Lunch is Today!** Join us in the Fellowship Hall after worship for an All-American meal of hotdogs, chips, and watermelon.

**The Brunch and Book Group** meets next on Saturday, **July 20**, 10-Noon in the Fellowship Hall to discuss the book **Ashes: A Ludington-van der Berg Mystery**, by M. M. Lindvall.

During July – the following groups will **NOT** meet:

- Brown Bag and Bible
- Ministries/Committees
- Session
- Handbells

The Chain Stitchers (date change: July 11 will meet on Wednesday, July 10, noon – 3, in the Fellowship Hall) latest sewing project is Bibs, Burps, Blankets, & More. Patterns and leadership by Donna Gilchrest. The Chain Stitchers meet most Thursdays from noon-3 in the Fellowship Hall, or 6-9 pm in Room #9. Come and work on the current project or bring a project of your own. Stay for the fellowship and fun!

The next Young at Heart Bus Trip (for ages 55+) is Friday, July 26, to Orange, Texas. You will tour First Presbyterian Church of Orange, a unique, historical, and very special house of worship and the Stark Museum of Art, where you will find one of the nation's most significant collections of American Western art, and view original pictorial quilts that tell the story of Black history in the West from the 1500s through the civil rights movement. Lunch at Robert's Steak House (your cost). Bus loads at 7:45 am, departs at 8:00 am.

### Remember in your thoughts and prayers:

**Health concerns:** Ann Wright; Jim Tinney; Nola Bray; Kay Goates; Frank Kucera; Mary & Rex Knapik; Mike & Susan Wallace; Margaret Bardin; Emma Abrams; Pat Pesl; Kay Hutson; Brad Stratton; Imelda Carrillo; Anne Berridge; Cathy Armstrong; Jennifer Cannon; Lavinia Brown's sister, Edith Morehead; Leah Slaven; Ukraine and the Middle East.

Sunday, July 7	Sunday School-Men's Class—Library	8:45 am
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	Sunday School-All Ages	9:00 am
	Fellowship—FH	10:00 am
	Worship Service	10:30 am
	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday Lunch— <b>July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration!!</b>	11:30 am
	Ministerio Corban—FH	4-8 <b>:</b> 30 pm
Tuesday, July 9	Chair Yoga—FH	5:00 pm
	Floor Yoga—FH	6:15 pm
Wednesday, July 10	Baywood Crossing	10:00 am
	Chain Stitchers—FH	12:00 pm
	Prayer Shawl—#10 and Zoom	1:00 pm
	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
	Ministerio Corban—FH	7-10:00 pm
Thursday, July 11	Men's Breakfast—Frank's	7:30 am
	Intercessory Prayer—Library	1:00 pm
	Chair Yoga—FH	5:00 pm
	Floor Yoga—FH	6:15pm
Sunday, July 14	Sunday School-Men's Class—Library	8:45 am
	Sunday School-All Ages	9:00 am
	Fellowship—FH	10:00 am
	Worship Service	10:30 am
	Ministerio Corban—FH	4-8:30 pm

### **Mission Statement**

"Our mission is to live and share the good news of God's love, grace, and mercy in Jesus Christ, to equip people for discipleship and service, and to work for social justice and peace."

#### **FPC Elders**

<b>Class of 2024</b> Brett Coe Trustee	Class of 2025 Roy Kreitz Trustee	Class of 2026 Betsy Marlow Trustee
Donna Gilchrest	James Jackson	Sarah Brown
Bonnie Keith	Pat McPhail	Jason Reed
Tom Swan	Laura Phipps	Barry Webb

#### **FPC Deacons**

Class of 2024	Class of 2025	Class of 2026
Donna Coe	Imelda Carrillo	Samantha Cayton
Rhonda Haskins	Cappy Phipps	David Kirkpatrick
Elois Murray	Liz Reed	Claudia Kreitz
James Taylor	Karen Schimnowski	Dolores Thacker

## **Leading in Worship Today**

Rev. Dr. Fairfax F. Fair
James Jackson, Liturgist
Marilyn Wilkins, Music Director
Ron Ollis, Organist
Daniel Contreras, Trumpet
Ty Walker, Trumpet
Luna Vazquez, Trombone
Konner Wetterstrom, Trombone
Barry Webb, Audio-Visual
Yulissa Delgado, Nursery Attendant
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