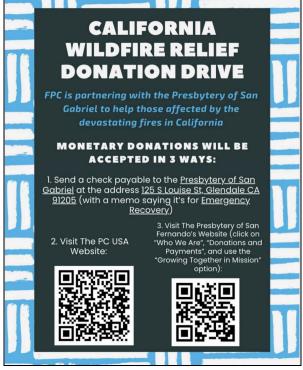


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March 30, 2025



Gathering Around God's Word

PRELUDE "Tango Brasileiro" by Ernesto Nazareth (Brazilian music)

Luyang Liu

Fourth Sunday in Lent

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING HYMN #2274 "Come all You People" (sung three times)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Happy are those who are honest with God.

All: Happy are those whose sin is forgiven.

One: Therefore, let all who are faithful offer prayers in times of distress.

All: For God is our refuge and protects us in times of trouble.

One: Be glad in the Lord and rejoice!

All: Let us shout for joy! Let us worship God!

* HYMN "Glorious Day" by K. Stanfill, K. Ingram, J. Smith and S. Curran

CALL TO CONFESSION & SILENT PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we confess that we keep silent when we should speak. We see iniquity and the injustices of the world, yet are content not to call them out. We withhold kind words, yet are quick to speak in judgment. Forgive us, O God. Direct the way we should go and help us to use our voices to spread your grace and truth. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* GLORIA PATRI #579

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Hearing God's Word

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Children ages preschool through fifth grade may leave for church school after the message.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING from Psalm 33

One: Shout for joy, praise God, you who believe in justice. Shout for joy, praise God, you who walk in God's way.

All: Tune up your instruments; strike up the band!
God's word is always true, God's work is everlasting.
God loves justice and fairness, and fills the whole earth with goodness.

One: God's word created the heavens and all that shines in the sky. God set a limit for the seas and stored their depths below.

All: Let the whole earth stand in awe, revering its mighty maker.

God spoke the world into being; God commanded and earth appeared.

One: God shatters a country's intentions, and foils a nation's plans; but God's intentions are constant, heaven's purposes have no end.

All: God's eye rests on the faithful who hope in God's constant love to deliver their souls from death, and keep them alive through disaster.

One: Our souls wait for God. God, our help and defense.
Our hearts delight in our Maker whose holy name we cherish.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING from Mark 10: 35-45

MESSAGE "Like A Boss"

Rev. Dr. Stacy Smith

Responding to God's Word

OFFERTORY "Good Good Father" by P. Barrett and A. Brown

* DOXOLOGY #592

Praise God throughout these forty days; praise Christ our Lord whom God did raise; and praise the Spirit who imparts God's love in Christ into our hearts. Amen.

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from a Brief Statement of Faith

In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples, to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sent Out By God's Word

* HYMN "Ain't Nobody" by C. Carnes

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Dengoso" by Ernesto Nazareth

Luyang Liu

Your ushers today are Elizabeth Martinson and Kim Whitefield.

Welcome to Pastor Stacy!

We warmly welcome our new Interim Pastor, Rev. Dr. Stacy Smith. She can be reached at 908-889-8891 or fanwoodpcpastor@gmail.com. You're also invited to drop by the office for coffee, prayer, chats, whatever! This week Stacy will hold open office on Monday from 1-3 PM, Tuesday from 10 AM - 12 PM, and Wednesday from 4-6 PM.