# **January 15, 2023**



### **Persevere**

"Blessed is the one who perseveres under trial because, having stood the test, that person will receive the crown of life that the Lord has promised to those who love him."

**James 1:12** 

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# **GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

\*We invite all to stand either in body or in spirit.

PRELUDE Tan Sang

\*OPENING PRAISE SONG "Reckless Love of God" Praise Band

### \*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Steve Nelson

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord with willing hearts, offering praise and

glory to the God who sustains our very being.

People: Great are God's works; the ways of the Lord are studied by all

who delight in them.

**Leader:** The deeds of the Lord are full of majesty and splendor; God performs

acts of justice and mercy across the whole earth.

People: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; may thanks and

praise endure among God's people forever!

**Leader:** Let us worship God with praise.

\*HYMN "I Love You, Lord" #80

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Steve Nelson

Lord, cast out our sin and cleanse our minds of wrongful thoughts. Have mercy upon us and forgive us in our failures. Then, fill our lives with your love. Help us to be moved by a sense of purpose as we serve to make the earth a better place in which to live, a world where nature and humanity can live in harmony. Before you, O God, our lives are exposed, and all our needs are known. Be at work in our lives to shape and mold us into your likeness. Search our hearts, please, as we sit before you in silence.

### SILENT TIME OF CONFESSION

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Steve Nelson

Hear the good news! The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin and be alive to all that is good. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Glory to God. Amen.

\*PASSING THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you!

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 27 (NIV) Steve Nelson

SPECIAL MUSIC Mary Hamilton, piano

SCRIPTURE READING James 1:9-18 (NIV) Larry Thorson

SERMON "Persevering Under Trial" Larry Thorson

SHARING OF PRAISES AND PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

\*HYMN "Day by Day-A Prayer" #56 vss. 1,3

\*BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "Everlasting God"

## **Assisting in Worship Today**

Mickey Hu, Greeter | Steve Nelson, Liturgist
Janelle Hererra, Music Director, Praise Band Co-Leader
Ian-Carl Floirendo, AV Director, Son Ringers Director, Praise Band Co-Leader
Tan Sang, Pianist | Mary Hamilton, Choir Director & Pianist
Band: Daniel Williams, Sophie Schoepp, Janelle Hererra, Ian-Carl Floirendo
Matthew Bhattacharya, AV Assistant

## **Welcome from Pastor Larry**

If you are visiting today, we welcome you and hope you enjoy worshipping with us. If you have any questions, or would like to communicate with me my contact information follows: <a href="mailto:larry@fpcmv.org">larry@fpcmv.org</a> or the church office at 650.968.4473

### This Week at FPCMV

Sunday 10:00am Worship

9:00am Bible Study/Book of Job/Library

Thursday 3:00pm Sing-A-Long (Zoom)

7:30pm Choir/Chapel

Bell Choir: Please contact lan-Carl Floirendo for rehearsals.

# January Food Drive for Community Services Agency The last day to donate will be Sunday, January 22.

We are collecting food items this month. Please place the donations in the BOXKETTE located at the entrance to the sanctuary.

- Oatmeal (regular size)
- Shelf stable milk/almond milk/soy milk (8 ounce size and quarts)
- Snacks of all kinds (small individual packages)
- International sauces of all kinds (glass or plastic bottles are fine)
- Instant coffee (regular size jars and individual packets)
- Tea (all kinds)
- Pop-top soups (not condensed)
- Regular size flour (all types)



80 I Love You, Lord Love the Lord, all His saints/ Ps. 31:23



TEXT and MUSIC: Laurie Klein; arranged by Eugene Thomas

I LOVE YOU LORD Irregular meter

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# Gloria Patri 623

GREATOREX Irregular meter



TEXT: Gloria Patri; Traditional, 2nd century MUSIC: Henry W. Greatorex

