

# THE JESUS CREED

## LOVING GOD, LOVING OTHERS

Hear O Israel, the Lord our God is one, love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength and your neighbor as yourself.



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171 years in Mountain View

# GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

March 12, 2023

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

## PRELUDE

Tan Sang

## \*OPENING PRAISE SONG

"Your Great Name"

Praise Band

## \*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Ken Newman

**Leader:** Ashes have been smeared and sins have been confessed...

**People:** **We follow our faithful Lord.**

**Leader:** These times are troubling and this journey is hard...

**People:** **We follow our faithful Lord.**

**Leader:** It is God who sustains, not the temptations of this world...

**People:** **We follow our faithful Lord.**

**Leader:** In the Lord is our trust, our protection from harm...

**People:** **We follow our faithful Lord.**

**People:** **O Lord, you are the refuge we seek when we are troubled and the courage we need when we venture into our days. Bless us today with your steadfast love as we declare our trust in you. Amen.**

## \*HYMN

"Jesus, Stand Among Us"

#586

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Ken Newman

**Creative, passionate God, you delight to shape the world in beauty and harmony. You invite us to participate in the balance of creation. Yet too often we give in to temptation that disrupts the joyous, chaotic order of the universe. We cannot undo all our mistakes, but we can turn once more to the living presence of Jesus and find new ways to live and love each other. Do not let our hearts be fearful, but let us in silence acknowledge our sins and seek the forgiveness that restores your peace. Now may you search our hearts as we sit in silence before you.**

## SILENT TIME OF CONFESSION (Unison)

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Ken Newman

**Hear the good news! If we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus. Friends, believe the good news. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

**\*RESPONSE**

“Gloria Patri”

#623

**\*PASSING THE PEACE**

**Leader:** May the peace of Christ be with you.

**People:** **And also with you!**

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Ecclesiastes 4:7-12 (NIV)

Ken Newman

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

“Rejoice, the Lord is King”

Son Ringers

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Mark 2:14-17 (NIV)

**SERMON**

“How to Love God with all Our Mind”

Pastor Larry Thorson

**SHARING OF PRAISES AND PRAYERS**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**OFFERING**

**DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING (Unison)**

**As we bring our offerings to you, we give back to you from the abundant blessings you have given us. May our gifts be acceptable in your sight, O Lord our God. Blessings and glory, wisdom and thanksgiving, honor, and power and strength, be unto you our God forever and ever. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**\*HYMN**

“Abba Father”

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**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

“My Life is In You”

**Assisting in Worship Today**

Cindy Newman, Greeter, Ken Newman, Liturgist

Janelle Herrera, 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 Herrera, Ian-Carl Floirendo

Matthew Bhattacharya, AV Assistant

## Welcome from Pastor Larry

If you are visiting today, we hope you enjoy worshipping with us. If you would like to communicate with me, contact me at [larry@fpcmv.org](mailto:larry@fpcmv.org) 650.968.4473.

### This Week at FPCMV

Sunday	9:00am	Bible Study on Revelation/Library
	10:00am	Worship
	11:00pm	Congregational Meeting
	11:15am	Son Ringers Rehearsal/Sanctuary
Monday	7:00pm	Session (Zoom)
Thursday	1:00pm	Deacons (Library & Zoom)
		Sing-along (resumes March 23)
	7:30pm	Choir/Chapel

\*The Zoom links may be found in the weekly church emails sent at the end of each week. If you wish to receive the weekly emails, please contact Margie Haines at the church at 650.968.4473 or [firstpresbyterian@fpcmv.org](mailto:firstpresbyterian@fpcmv.org)

### Mission Committee News

We are once again assisting the Cuesta Park Neighborhood Association (CPNA) by collecting food for the Community Services Agency (CSA). Please consider donating one or more items and placing them in the Boxkette no later than Sunday, March 26.

- Oatmeal (regular size)
- Cereal (regular size)
- Shelf stable dairy milk/almond milk/soy milk/coconut milk (8 ounce size and quarts)
- Snacks of all kinds (small individual packages)
- International sauces of all kinds
- Instant coffee (regular size jars and individual packets)
- Tea (all kinds)
- Pop-top soups (not condensed)
- Regular size flour (all types)
- Regular size rice (all varieties)
- Peanut butter, almond butter, nutella (regular size)
- Mayonnaise (regular size)
- Dozen-size egg cartons



# Jesus, Stand Among Us 586

*Jesus . . . stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" John 20:19*

1. Je - sus, stand a - mong us In Thy ris - en power;  
2. Breathe the Ho - ly Spir - it In - to ev - ery heart;

Let this time of wor - ship Be a hal - lowed hour.  
Bid the fears and sor - rows From each soul de - part. A - men.

TEXT: William Pennefather  
MUSIC: Friedrich Filitz

BEMERTON  
6.5.6.5.

## ABBA FATHER

Abba Father Abba Father  
Deep within my soul I cry  
Abba Father Abba Father  
I will never cease to love You

Father Father Jehovah Shammah  
You are the One who's standing near  
Father Father Jehovah Shalom  
You are my peace Jehovah Ropheh  
You are my healing Yaweh my God