

First Presbyterian Church



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171 years in Mountain View

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

July 16, 2023

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

PRELUDE

Tan Sang

WELCOME

Pastor Larry Thorson

***OPENING PRAISE SONG**

"See the Light"

Praise Band

***RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Now is the moment of grace. This is the hour of blessing.

People: Today is the day of salvation. Here is the path to new life.

Leader: Already joy is abounding, and love is flowing

People: For this is the day God is making. Let us rejoice and sing.

***HYMN**

"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessings"

#2 (1,3)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Maureen Moore

All-knowing God, we come to you this day knowing we have sinned. We have sought after possessions that would please us, but we know our happiness is only temporary. We have sought to worship idols of laziness, luxury, and prestige. We have sought power over others at their expense, yet we have not found the happiness we were seeking. Remind us again that we must choose life and not death. We must choose you over what others tempt us to do and to be. We must choose forgiveness over harboring grudges and hate. Deliver us from temptation and evil this day. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray.

SILENT TIME OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Maureen Moore

Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. Anyone who lives in Christ becomes a new creation. When the old life has gone; a new life begins. Friends, believe the gospel.

HYMN

"Bless His Holy Name"

#13

***PASSING THE PEACE**

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you!

SCRIPTURE READING	Exodus 7:17	Maureen Moore
HYMN	“Thy Word”	#272
SCRIPTURE READING	Matthew 13:53-58	Jerry Kixmoeller
SERMON	“Preaching in Your Hometown”	Pastor Larry Thorson
OFFERING	“Wheeler’s Waltz”	Jason Keiser

PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR 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.

SHARING OF PRAISES AND PRAYERS

THE LORD’S PRAYER

*HYMN	“Blessed Assurance”	#345 (1,3)
*BENEDICTION		
*RESPONSE	“He is Our God”	Praise Band

Assisting in Worship Today

Jennifer Perloff, Greeter | Maureen Moore and Jerry Kixmoeller, Liturgists
 Janelle Herrera, Music Director, Praise Band Co-Leader
 Ian-Carl Floirendo, AV Director, Son Ringers Director, Praise Band Co-Leader
 Tan Sang, Pianist
 Band: Daniel Williams, Sophie Schoepp, Janelle Herrera, Ian-Carl Floirendo
 Matthew Bhattacharya, AV Assistant

Week at FPCMV

Sunday	9:00am	Bible Study on Revelation/Chapel & Zoom
	10:00am	Worship

*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

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY AT 9AM

The group will resume meeting next Sunday, July 23.

MISSIONS UPDATE

A big thank you to all who have contributed all the needed items to our Family Giving Tree Back-to-School Drive. Special thanks to Sheryl Fonda, who helped Mission Committee chair, Wendy Nelson, fill the 12 backpacks with supplies after church on July 9. Also, a thanks to the Mission Committee members, Sandy Perloff and Maureen Moore, for inspiring this drive and Pastor Larry Thorson for his encouragement and support.

The backpacks will go to local schools where more than 80% of all enrolled students qualify for free or reduced-price meals through the National School Lunch Program.

We appreciate Maureen Moore, who will deliver the filled backpacks and extra supplies to the drop-off center this week.

Come Thou Fount of Ev'ry Blessing

Come Thou Fount of ev'ry blessing,
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melodious sonnet
Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount—I'm fixed upon it—
Mount of Thy redeeming love.

VERSE 3

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter,
Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee.

Prone to wander—Lord, I feel it—
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart—O take and seal it,
Seal it for Thy courts above.
Amen.

Bless His Holy Name

Bless the Lord,
O my soul, and all that is within me
Bless His holy Name

He has done great things,
He has done great things,
He has done great things,
Bless His holy Name

Bless the Lord,
O my soul, and all that is within me
Bless His holy Name

Thy Word

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and light unto my path.
Thy Word is a lamp unto my fee and a light unto my path.

Blessed Assurance

Verse 1

Blessed assurance Jesus is mine
O what a foretaste of glory divine
Heir of salvation purchase of God
Born of His Spirit washed in His blood

Chorus 1

This is my story this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long
This is my story this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long

Verse 3

Perfect submission all is at rest
I in my Savior am happy and blest
Watching and waiting looking above
Filled with His goodness lost in His love

Chorus 1

This is my story this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long
This is my story this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long

