

First Presbyterian Church



Reformation Sunday

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172 years in Mountain View

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

October 29, 2023

PRELUDE

Tan Sang

WELCOME

Pastor Larry Thorson

***HYMN**

"A Mighty Fortress is our God"

#26 (1 & 4)

***RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Kathleen Breedlove

Leader: We have gathered today in search of reformation.

All: **We want to reform ourselves, our church, and our society.**

Leader: We stand fearless at the edge of a changing world.

All: **For God is in the midst of us, and in God we rest secure.**

Leader: Be still and know that the Lord is God.

All: **The Lord is our stronghold and our redeemer.**

***PRAISE**

"As the Deer"

Paulina Acosta and Tan Sang

Sang

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Kathleen Breedlove

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, Too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open us to a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow in our discipleship as we follow Jesus, the One who walks with and ahead of us.

SILENT TIME OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Kathleen Breedlove

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 is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

PRAISE SONG

"I Am Set Free"

Paulina Acosta and Tan Sang

***PASSING THE PEACE**

Kathleen Breedlove

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you!**

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 124:1-7 Kathleen Breedlove
HYMN “Glorify Thy Name” #29 (1 & 2)
SCRIPTURE READING Colossians 2:16-23 Jerry Kixmoeller
MESSAGE “What is Reformed Worship?” Pastor Larry Thorson
APOSTLES’ CREED
RESPONSE TO GOD’S GOODNESS “On Eagle’s Wings” Tan Sang

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** “To God Be the Glory” #66 (1 & 3)

***THE BENEDICTION**

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

Serving in Worship Today

Ron Breedlove, Greeter, Kathleen Breedlove & 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
Benji Bhattacharya, AV Assistant

Week at FPCMV

Sunday	9:00am	Bible Study on Isaiah/Chapel & Zoom
	10:00am	Worship
	10:45am	Gathering/informal gathering with Pastor Larry
	11:15am	Deacons Meeting/Library

*The Zoom links in the weekly emails. Contact the office at 650.968.4473 or firstpresbyterian@fpcmv.org and Margie will place you on the list.

International Potluck | Sunday, November 5

Everyone is invited following the service. Please sign up at the entrance to bring an international item. Drop off your item in the Chapel before the service begins.

Autumn Food Drive | Please bring items by November 5

The following items are needed, yet all donations are gratefully accepted!

- Healthy snacks (all kinds/small individual packages)
- Cereal (regular size)
- Cookies (all kinds)
- Crackers (all kinds)
- Small bottles of any juices or beverages for unhoused clients
- Cake mixes (all kinds)
- Small instant coffee jars or packages (all kinds)
- Tea (all kinds)
- Regular size flour (all kinds)
- International sauces (all kinds)
- Pop-top soups (not condensed)
- Mayonnaise (regular size)
- Shelf stable milk/dairy/almond/soy/coconut (8oz. & quart size)
- Empty dozen-size egg cartons

Reception for Executive Presbyter | Rev. Joey Lee

Saturday, November 4, 2pm-4pm | Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church

The Presbytery will honor our Executive Presbyter's decades of faithful leadership.

The following RSVP link goes directly to the presbytery.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfq6c0NbX_h4iNISUp4d5OyMfQ97ijpZXR3ZKSi3ba5q2nbw/viewform

A Mighty Fortress is Our God

A mighty fortress is our God,
A bulwark never failing;
Our helper He amid the flood,
Of mortal ills prevailing;

For still our ancient foe,
Doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and pow'r are great,
And armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not His equal

VERSE 4

That word above all earthly pow'rs,
No thanks to them, abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours
Through Him who with us sideth:

Let goods and kindred go,
This mortal life also;
The body they may kill:
God's truth abideth still,
His kingdom is forever.

Glorify Thy Name

Father we love You,
We worship and adore You.
Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Glorify Thy name ,
Glorify Thy name,
Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Verse 2

Jesus we love You,
We worship and adore You,
Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Glorify Thy name,
Glorify Thy name,
Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

To God Be the Glory

To God be the glory great things He hath done!
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin
And opened the life gate that all may go in.

Chorus 1

Praise the Lord,
Praise the Lord,
Let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord,
Praise the Lord,
Let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory great things He hath done!

Verse 3

Great things He hath taught us,
Great things He hath done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer and higher and greater will be
Our wonder, our transport when Jesus we see,

Chorus 1

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