First Presbyterian Church



January 21, 2024, at 10am

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172 years in Mountain View

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE Tan Sang

WELCOME Tom Perloff

*PRAISE "Who Am I" Praise Team

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Mark Shirley

Leader: We come to worship with family – family by birth, by marriage, by

friendship

People: As Noah's wife and children filled the ark, as Aaron spoke for

Moses, as Ruth came alongside Naomi, we are surrounded by so

great a cloud of witnesses.

Leader: We come to worship with neighbors – neighbors by proximity, by

circumstance, by need.

People: As God's people traveled together in the wilderness, as Abraham

entertained angels unawares, as the Samaritan cared for the Israelite, we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses.

All: As we come before you, O God, make us your cloud of

witnesses.

*HYMN "Faith of Our Fathers" #279 (1,3,4)

CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Mark Shirley

Our heavenly Father, we want to run with perseverance the race marked out for us. We want to run this race with faith in you, trusting in you, focused on you in our lives in every way. Help us to turn aside from sin. Help us not to toy with sin, not to become entangled in sin, not to become entangled in other pursuits in this world. Help us to take You seriously. Hear us, as runners of the race, as we lay aside the sins that weigh us down and entangle us.

SILENT TIME OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Mark Shirley

The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. (Psalm 103: 8-12)

*PRAISE "I Thank God" Praise Team

*PASSING THE PEACE Mark Shirley

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you!

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 91:1-12 Mark Shirley

*HYMN "Fairest Lord Jesus" #88

SCRIPTURE READING Hebrews 10:1-2 Mark Shirley

MESSAGE "Crossing the White Tape" Tom Perloff

*APOSTLES' CREED Tom Perloff

RESPONSE TO GOD'S GOODNESS "Find Us Faithful" Chancel Choir

PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR THE OFFERING (Unison)

Tom Perloff
Holy God, these offerings are only a portion of all that you have given us.

We gratefully present these gifts and entrust them to your work in this
world. May our gifts share the good news of the gospel to those who are in
need. May these gifts help unburden those with the heaviest of loads. Amen

A TIME FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tom Perloff

A TIME FOR PRAISES AND PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" #52 (1,2,3,6)

*THE BENEDICTION

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

Serving in Worship

Wendy Nelson, Greeter, Mark Shirley, Liturgist
Janelle Hererra, 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 Hererra, Ian-Carl Floirendo Benji Bhattacharya, AV Assistant

Week at FPCMV

Sunday 9:00am Bible Study on Isaiah/Chapel

10:00am Worship

Worship Committee Meeting/Library

Son Ringers Rehearsal (see Ian please)

Thursday 7:30pm Choir Rehearsal/Chapel

Next Sunday: Deacons Meeting following the service/Library

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

Pancake and Slipper Brunch Sunday, February 4 | 11:15am in the Chapel | Casual Dress Sign Up Today!

Menu: Hot cakes, syrup, fruit salad, other kinds of salads, coffee cake, comfort foods, breakfast food from other countries.

January Food Drive

CSA is requesting the following items, yet all non-perishable donations are gratefully accepted!

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

Your donations will go to help people in need. Please bring your donations and place them in the "Cart of Good Giving" by Sunday, January 29. Thank you!

Fairest Lord Jesus

Fairest Lord Jesus,
Ruler of all nature,
O Thou of God and man the Son;
Thee will I cherish,
Thee will I honor,
Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

VERSE 2

Fair are the meadows,
Fairer still the woodlands,
Robed in the blooming garb of spring;
Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer,
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

VERSE 3

Fair is the sunshine,
Fairer still the moonlight
And all the twinkling, starry host;
Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels heaven can boast.

VERSE 4 Beautiful Savior, Lord of all nations, Son of God and Son of man!

Glory and honor,
Praise, adoration,
Now and forevermore be Thine!

Faith of Our Fathers

Faith of our fathers! living still,
In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword;
O how our hearts beat high with joy
Whene'er we hear that glorious word:
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death!

VERSE 3

Faith of our fathers! we will strive To win all nations unto thee, And thro' the truth that comes from God,
Mankind shall then be truly free.
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death!

VERSE 4

Faith of our fathers! we will love
Both friend and foe in all our strife;
And preach thee, too, as love knows how,
By kindly words and virtuous life;
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death!

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come, Our shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal home!

VERSE 2

Under the shadow of thy throne, Thy saints have dwelt secure; Sufficient is thine arm alone, And our defense is sure.

VERSE 3

Before the hills in order stood, Or earth received her frame, From everlasting thou art God, To endless years the same.

VERSE 6

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be thou our guard while troubles last,
And our eternal home!

