

# *First Presbyterian Church*



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172 years in Mountain View

# GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

Tan Sang

WELCOME

Tom Perloff

\*PRAISE

"In Christ Alone"

Praise Team

\*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Arianna Perloff

**Leader:** God of the living church empower. Thine ancient might reveal;  
Give wisdom for this crucial hour; and in Thy Mercy, heal.

**All:** **God of the living church forgive; Renew, perfect, translate,  
in Thee to be, and move, and live, Immanuel, we wait.**

**Leader:** God of the living church renew, fresh vision now impart, and as we  
strive to live for You sustain each faithful heart.

**All:** **God of the living church we plead, bestow Thy mighty pow'r.**

From: *The Hymnal for Worship and Celebration Page #290,*  
*"God of the Living Church" by Alfred H. Ackley*

\*HYMN

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

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**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)**

Arianna Perloff

**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, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.**

**SILENT TIME OF CONFESSION**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Arianna Perloff

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

<b>*PRAISE</b>	“Love of God”	Praise Team
<b>*PASSING THE PEACE</b>		Arianna Perloff
	<b>Leader:</b> May the peace of Christ be with you.	
	<b>People: And also with you!</b>	
	<b>Leader:</b> Greet one another with the peace of Christ.	
<b>SCRIPTURE READING</b>	Isaiah 43:16-19, Jeremiah 29:11-13	Arianna Perloff
<b>*HYMN</b>	“I Love to Tell the Story”	#297 (1,3)
<b>SCRIPTURE READING</b>	Acts 2:42-47	Arianna Perloff
<b>MESSAGE</b>	“A Call to the Church”	Tom Perloff
<b>*APOSTLES’ CREED</b>		Tom Perloff
<b>RESPONSE TO GOD’S GOODNESS</b>	“I Feel the Spirit”	Chancel Choir
<b>PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR THE OFFERING (UNISON)</b>		Tom Perloff
<p><b>You are the source of every good and perfect gift, O God. Use these tithes and offerings for your glory. Let your church be a spring whose waters never fail; and let your people be repairers of the breach and restorers of streets to live in. We pray in Christ's name.</b></p> <p>Adapted from Isaiah 58:11-12</p>		
<b>A TIME FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>		Tom Perloff
<b>A TIME FOR PRAISES AND PRAYERS</b>		Tom Perloff
<b>THE LORD’S PRAYER</b>		Tom Perloff
<b>*HYMN</b>	“Pass It On”	#309
<b>*THE BENEDICTION</b>		Tom Perloff
	*We invite all to stand either in body or in spirit.	

### **Serving in Worship**

Marie Casey, Arianna Perloff, Liturgist  
 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 Schoepf, Janelle Herrera, Ian-Carl Floirendo

Benji Bhattacharya, AV Assistant

### **Week at FPCMV**

Sunday	9:00am	Bible Study on Isaiah/Chapel
	10:00am	Worship
	11:00am	Son Ringers Rehearsal (see Ian please)
	11:15am	Worship Committee Meeting/Library
Thursday	7:30pm	Choir Rehearsal/Chapel

\*The Zoom links are in the weekly emails. Contact the office at 650.968.4473 or [firstpresbyterian@fpcmv.org](mailto:firstpresbyterian@fpcmv.org) if you wish to be sent the weekly emails.

**Our weekly FPCMV Newsletter now comes from a new sender:  
[fpcmv.org@shared1.ccsend.com](mailto:fpcmv.org@shared1.ccsend.com)**

### **Pastor Nominating Report**

We did it! After two years, the Pastor Nominating Committee has selected a candidate to be our permanent pastor. Sunday, March 3 will be Candidate Sunday. Our candidate will be preaching and leading worship. Following worship, the Session will officiate a Congregational Meeting to call the candidate to be our Pastor. Everyone is invited to attend the meeting. However, only official members will be allowed to place a vote. A Meet-and-Greet time is planned to introduce the candidate on Saturday, March 2, from 2:00pm-3:30pm. To protect the identity of the candidate, we cannot provide their name at this time. A letter will be mailed to members and friends of the church about a week before the Congregational Meeting, which will include a biography of the candidate.

### **Family Supportive Housing | Last day to donate is Sunday, February 25**

FSH needs the following items at this time. Please consider donating: NEW full-size bath towels, NEW twin and full-size blankets. Jennifer Saxton, Volunteer Coordinator for FSH, will be speaking during the Missions spot in the order of service on Sunday, February 25. FSH has been helping homeless single-and two-parent families with children for more than thirty years, addressing their needs for shelter, food, employment, and education.

### **Please Help**

We need people to sign up to help clean up the refreshment table after the service. It does not require a lot of time. More helpers make the job faster and lighter. Sign up for at the entrance table today please. Any questions, please see Ken or Cindy Newman. Thank you!

## **Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee**

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love.  
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee,  
Opening to the sun above.

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,  
Drive the dark of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
Fill us with the light of day.

### Verse 2

All thy works with joy surround Thee,  
Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays.  
Stars and angels sing around Thee,  
Center of unbroken praise.

Field and forest, vale and mountain,  
Flowery meadow, flashing sea.  
Chanting bird and flowing fountain,  
Call us to rejoice in Thee.

### Verse 3

Thou art giving and forgiving,  
Ever blessing, ever blest,  
Well spring of the joy of living,  
Ocean depth of happy rest!

## **I Love to Tell the Story**

I love to tell the story  
Of unseen things above  
Of Jesus and His glory  
Of Jesus and His love  
I love to tell the story  
Because I know 'tis true  
It satisfies my longings  
As nothing else can do

### Chorus 1

I love to tell the story  
'Twill be my theme in glory  
To tell the old old story  
Of Jesus and His love

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### Verse 3

I love to tell the story  
For those who know it best  
Seem hungering and thirsting  
To hear it like the rest  
And when in scenes of glory  
I sing the new new song  
'Twill be the old old story  
That I have loved so long

### Chorus 1

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'Twill be my theme in glory  
To tell the old old story  
Of Jesus and His love

### **Pass It On**

It only takes a spark,  
To get a fire going.  
And soon all those around,  
Can warm up in its glowing.

That's how it is with God's love,  
Once you've experienced it.  
You spread His love to everyone,  
You want to pass it on.

### Verse 2

What a wondrous time is spring,  
When all the trees are budding.  
The birds begin to sing,  
The flowers start their blooming.

That's how it is with God's love,  
Once you've experienced it.  
You want to sing, it's fresh like spring,  
You want to pass it on.

Verse 3

I wish for you my friend,  
This happiness that I've found.  
You can depend on Him,  
It matters not where you're bound.

I'll shout it from the mountain-top  
"GOD LOVES YOU",  
I want my world to know.  
The Lord of love has come to me,  
I want to pass it on.

