

First Presbyterian Church



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10:00am

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172 years in Mountain View

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME ~The Fifth Sunday of Lent

PRELUDE

Tan Sang

WELCOME

Pastor Larry Thorson

*PRAISE

"Give Thanks"

Praise Team

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Marie Casey

ONE: I lift up my eyes to the hills — from where will my help come?

ALL: **My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**

ONE: God will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

ALL: **God who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.**

*HYMN

"Lift High the Cross"

#304 (1,2,3)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION/UNISON

Marie Casey

God of majesty, we lift our hearts to you, acknowledging that we have disobeyed your laws and commandments. We have been led astray by temptation and we have sinned. Have mercy upon us according to your grace; heal us, restore us, shine your light into the path before us. Be glorified in us and through us; that with gladness of heart we may testify of your merciful kindness and steadfast love to us, through Jesus Christ, our saving Lord.

SILENT TIME OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Marie Casey

Hear the good news: The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. In Jesus Christ we are offered mercy and grace; we are forgiven and healed as we are empowered to forgive others. Be at peace, and walk in faith, hope, and love. Thanks be to God.

*PRAISE

"Freedom"

Praise Team

*PASSING THE PEACE

Marie Casey

ONE: May the peace of Christ be with you.

ALL: **And also with you!**

ONE: Greet one another with the peace of Christ.

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 12:1-4

Marie Casey

***HYMN** "Be Exalted, O God" #5

SCRIPTURE READING John 3:1-7 Marie Casey

MESSAGE "Give Up Expectations" Pastor Larry Thorson

***APOSTLES' CREED**

RESPONSE TO GOD'S GOODNESS

"All Things Bright and Beautiful" Chancel Choir

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.

A TIME FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

A TIME FOR PRAISES AND PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

***HYMN** "Blessed Assurance" #345

***THE BENEDICTION**

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

Serving in Worship

Arianna Perloff, Greeter, Marie Casey, 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 Schoepp, Janelle Herrera, Ian-Carl Floirendo

Benji Bhattacharya and Gabe Escatel, AV Assistants



Week at FPCMV

Sunday	9:00am	Bible Study on Isaiah/Chapel
	10:00am	Worship
	11:15am	Son Ringers Rehearsal (see Ian please)
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 if you wish to be sent the weekly emails.

Reverend Kim Dorr-Tilley Pentecost Sunday, May 19

Pastor Kim, her husband Bob and their dog Tebow will move here from Los Angeles in May. Pentecost Sunday will be her first Sunday as our new pastor. Please hold them in your prayers during this time of transition.



Community Services Agency

We are joining the Cuesta Park Neighborhood Association (CPNA) and collecting for CSA non-perishable food items throughout the Spring months of March, April, and May. CSA is requesting the items on the list, yet all non-perishable donations are gratefully accepted. Please place your items in the labeled cart in the narthex.

- 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, tea (all kinds)
- Regular size flour (all types)
- International sauces (all types)
- White rice, pasta
- Mayonnaise (regular size)
- Shelf stable dairy milk/almond milk/soy milk/coconut milk (8oz/quarts)
- Empty dozen-size egg cartons.

Lift High the Cross

Lift high the cross,
The love of Christ proclaim,
Till all the world adore ,
His sacred name.

VERSE 1

Come, Christians,
Follow Where our Savior trod,
Our King victorious,
Christ, the Son of God.

CHORUS

Lift high the cross,
The love of Christ proclaim,
Till all the world adore ,
His sacred name.

VERSE 2

Led on their way,
By this triumphant sign,
The hosts of God,
In conquering ranks combine.

CHORUS

Lift high the cross,
The love of Christ proclaim,
Till all the world adore ,
His sacred name.

VERSE 3

O Lord, once lifted,
On this glorious tree,
As Thou hast promised,
Draw men unto Thee.

CHORUS

Lift high the cross,
The love of Christ proclaim,
Till all the world adore ,
His sacred name.

Be Exalted, O God

I will give thanks to Thee,
O Lord, among the people.
I will sing praises to Thee,
Among the nations.

For Thy steadfast love is great,
Is great to the heavens,
And Thy faithfulness to the clouds.

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens.
Let Thy glory be over all the earth.
Be exalted, O God, above the heavens.
Let Thy glory be over all the earth.

Blessed Assurance

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

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 2

Perfect submission, perfect delight!
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight.
Angels descending bring from above,
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Chorus

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.