
ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, February 24, 2019

1:00 pm English Service

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

★CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: From the deepest places in our lives we cry to God.

People: God, hear my voice, do not be far from me.

Leader: Let us not forget God's steadfast love and power to redeem

People: We wait for God, and in God's Word we find hope.

★HYMN #18 *"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"*

OPENING PRAYER

Leader: Almighty God, our Redeemer, in our weakness we have failed to be your messengers of forgiveness and hope. Renew us by your Holy Spirit, that we may follow your commands and proclaim your reign of love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Risen Lord, how often you come to us, and we do not recognize you. In friends and strangers, who seek and offer kindness; in world that make sense of our lives and the world around us; in living, enduring promises that we have all but forgotten, you come, O God, but our hearts are slow to see and honor you. Forgive us, we pray. Do not leave us, but stay with us, and awaken us to your presence. Kindle within us deep and genuine love for you, and for the brothers and sisters you give to us.

SILENT PRAYER

★ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Hear the good news!

People: The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

Leader: He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good.

People: We declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

★PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

RESPONSIVE GOSPEL READING Luke 6: 27-31 (P. 64)

OLD TESTAMENT READING Genesis 45: 3-11, 15 (P. 42)

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

SERMON *"Remembering Vengeance"*

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE

★HYMN #234 *"Lord, Thy Word Abideth"*

★AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *"The Apostles' Creed"* (front cover of hymnal)

PRAYER CARD PREPARATION

OFFERING AND PRAYER CARD COLLECTION

Leader: With grateful and humble hearts let us return to God a portion of the blessings of our lives.

★OFFERTORY SONG *"Doxology"*

ANNOUNCEMENTS (led by the usher)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

WE BEAR GOD'S LOVE INTO THE WORLD

★HYMN #365 *"More Love To Thee"*

★CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

★FOURFOLD AMEN #675

★Please stand if you are able.

WELCOME!

Today – *Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*
February 24, 2019 at 1:00 pm – English Worship Service

SPEAKER: Dr. Henry Kuo
WORSHIP LEADER: Milton Mui
MUSIC LEADER: Joy Tso
USHER: Justin Choy

Next Week – *Transfiguration of the Lord*
March 3, 2019 at 1:00 pm – English Worship Service with Holy Communion

SPEAKER: Rev. Jill Shaeffer
WORSHIP LEADER: Geoffrey Chan
MUSIC LEADER: Vicki Louie-Shek
USHER: Herbie Chan
COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Donald Lee

PRAYERS & PRAISE

- Thanksgiving for the free gift of God’s grace, the fellowship we share as a church family and the many blessings we have been given.
- Prayers for strength, faith and wisdom for the newly installed elders, deacons, and all brothers and sisters who dedicate themselves to our church ministry.
- Prayers for those who are in ill health or recovering.
- Prayers for the safety and smooth progress on the church renovation.
- Prayer for Ms. Anna Fong’s speedy and full recovery.
- Prayer for Mrs. Jocelyn Lee’s mother Ms. Justa Pickens’ full recovery.
- Prayers for the leaders of our country to receive the wisdom of God, to act in obedience to that wisdom and for the power of God to flow in their lives.
- Prayers for peace in the midst of the conflicts, wars, and divisions that are taking place in our world.

FELLOWSHIPS & GATHERINGS

HAPPENINGS	REGULAR MEETING	TIME	CONTACT	NEXT MEETING
Brothers & Sisters In Christ (BASIC)	4th Sunday	2:00 PM	Gilbert Wong Connie Leung	February 24 --- Room 309
Sunday School (K-5)	Every Sunday	11:00 AM	Doreen Cheung & Vicki Louie-Shek	Grades K-5 ---2 nd Floor
Sunday School (6-12)	Every Sunday	11:00 AM-12:30 PM	Doreen Cheung & Vicki Louie-Shek	Grades 6-12--4 th Floor

FCPC NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

1) Welcome to the First Chinese Presbyterian Church (FCPC). Thank you for joining us for worship today. We are glad God led you our way. With a handshake and a smile, with fellowship and cheer, as part of God’s family, you are always welcome here. We hope you have a spiritual stay in our church and feel free to inquire about our other activities and various fellowships FCPC has to offer. No matter how old or young you are, there is something for everyone here!

2) Our Speaker today....Dr. Henry Kuo is now filling out a load of graduation forms and all. He is working on transforming his dissertation into a book sometime in the near future.

3) Board of Deacons Meeting....March stated meeting will convene next Sunday March 3, 2019 at 2:00 pm in room 302.

4) 2019 PYT: The 2019 Presbyterian Youth Triennium – a gathering for HS youth from the PC(USA) and the Cumberland Presbyterian Church (9th-12th Grades) occurs every three years. The 2019 event is July 16-20,2019 at Purdue University. The theme for the 2019 event is “Here’s My Heart!” Registration, event plans the travel information is at <https://presbyterianyouthtriennium.org>. All participants must be registered through a local presbytery or church delegation. Speak to church office if you would like to attend.

5) Volunteers on duty for English Worship Service... please be at the sanctuary by 12:45 pm to be in preparation for 1 pm worship on every Sunday.

6) Keep updated on FCPC news...Check out our website at <http://fcpc.org>, where you can read upcoming announcements, find the weekly Order of Worship, and listen to past sermons. Like our page at <http://facebook.com/fcpcnyc> to get the latest news and connect with other members.

7) Schedule of Upcoming Sunday English Worship Services for March 2019 at 1 p.m.

Date	Speakers	Worship Leaders	Music Leaders	Ushers	Communion Assistant
3/3	Rev. Jill Shaeffer	Geoffrey Chan	Vicki Louie-Shek	Herbie Chan	Donald Lee
3/10	Dr. Henry Kuo	Doreen Cheung	Suzanne Yong Sellers	Jimmy Shek	
3/17	Dr. Henry Kuo	Justin Choy	William Tsang	Vicki Louie-Shek	
3/24	CRE David Michel	Peter Yap	Jimmy Shek	Milton Mui	
3/31	CRE David Michel	Jonathan Chui	Kyle Tsang	Rosalynn Mok	