

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

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Sunday, August 25 , 2019

9:30 a.m. English Service

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### WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

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#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; serve the Lord with gladness and come before God's presence with a song.

**People: Know this: the Lord alone is God; we belong to the Lord who made us, we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.**

Leader: Enter God's gates with thanksgiving; go into his holy courts with praise; give thanks and call upon the name of the Lord.

**All: For good is the Lord, whose mercy is everlasting; and whose faithfulness endures from age to age. Let us worship our God!**

#### \*PRAISE SONG " *Unashamed Love* "

#### OPENING PRAYER

Leader: Lord our God, in Jesus Christ you have taught us that love is the fulfilling of the laws. Send your Holy Spirit upon us, and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, that we might love you with our whole being, and our neighbors as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: *Trusting in God's love and mercy let us freely confess our sins before God and our neighbor.*

**All: Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and apart from you. We have ignored the pain of the world and passed by the hungry, the poor and the oppressed. In your great mercy forgive our sins and free us from the selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

#### SILENT PRAYER

#### \*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn?

**People: Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.**

Leader: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

**All: Through Christ we know that we have been forgiven and we can live in peace now.**

#### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

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

### WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

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**RESPONSIVE READING** Jeremiah 1:4-10 (p. 698)

**GOSPEL READING** Luke 13:10-17 (p. 76)

#### A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

**SERMON** " *Freed To Rejoice* "

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE

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**\*PRAISE SONG** " *Carrier* "

**\*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** " *New Doxology* "

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** (led by the usher)

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** (led by the usher)

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** (in 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

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**\*PRAISE SONG** " *You Are God Alone* "  
(Please gather in center aisle to sing)

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*FOURFOLD AMEN**

*\*Please stand if you are able.*

## WELCOME!

Today—*Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
August 25, 2019 @9:30 am – English Worship Service

SPEAKER: Elder Marranda Major  
WORSHIP LEADER: Jonathan Chui  
MUSIC LEADER: Vicki Louie-Shek  
USHER: Rosalynn Mok

Next Week –*Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
September 1, 2019 @ 1:00 pm – English Worship Service with Holy Communion Service

SPEAKER: Reverend Nancy Talbot  
WORSHIP LEADER: Vicki Louie-Shek  
MUSIC LEADER: Jimmy Shek  
USHER: Milton Mui  
COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Milton Mui

## 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 those who are in ill health or recovering.
- Prayers for strength, faith and wisdom for all brothers and sisters who dedicate themselves to our church ministry.
- Prayers for Mrs. Jocelyn Lee’s mom Ms. Justa Pickens’ full recovery.
- Prayers for Jimmy Cheung’s full recovery.
- Prayers for the wisdom, strength, and the guidance of the Holy Spirit working on the Pastor Nomination Committee and their service.

## FELLOWSHIPS & GATHERINGS

HAPPENINGS	REGULAR MEETING	TIME	CONTACT	NEXT MEETING
Brothers & Sisters In Christ (BASIC)	4th Sunday	2:00 PM	Gilbert Wong Connie Leung	
Sunday School (K-5)	Every Sunday	On Summer break on July and August	Doreen Cheung & Vicki Louie-Shek	Classes will resume on Sunday, September 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2019
Sunday School (6-12)	Every Sunday	On Summer break on July and August	Doreen Cheung & Vicki Louie-Shek	Classes will resume on Sunday, September 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2019

## 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.....** Marranda Major is a Candidate under care of the Presbytery of New York City. A native West Virginian, Marranda graduated from Wellesley College with a degree in Peace Studies before serving as a Young Adult Volunteer in Belfast, Northern Ireland and Washington, DC. Marranda completed her Masters of Divinity at Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York and is the recipient of the 2018 Seaver Award for Worship and the Arts.

**3) Back to regular time....** starting in September English worship service will begin at 1:00 pm.

**4) 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.

**5) Schedule of Upcoming Sunday English Worship Service for September 2019 at 1:00 p.m.**

Date	Speakers	Worship Leaders	Music Leaders	Ushers	Communion Assistant
9/1	Rev. Nancy Talbot	Vicki Louie-Shek	Jimmy Shek	Milton Mui	Milton Mui
9/8	Dr. Henry Kuo	Rosalynn Mok	Suzanne Yong-Sellers	Jonathan Chui	
9/15	Dr. Henry Kuo	Geoffrey Chan	Doreen Cheung	Justin Choy	
9/22	Rev. Gerald Liu	Sharon Moi-Yap	William Tsang	Peter Yap	
9/29	CRE Peng Leong	Milton Mui	Kyle Tsang	Herbie Chan	