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要尋求耶和華與祂的能力，時常尋求祂的面

*Seek The Lord And His Strength, Seek His Presence Continually*

二零一八年九月九日

*The Ninth Day of September 2018*

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, September 9, 2018

1 p.m. English Service

### WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come one and all to meet God here. Let all who are suffering find hope in this place.

**People: We have come that God might raise us up. Our only hope is in the maker of heaven and earth.**

Leader: God hears our prayers and answers us. God equips us to be helpful to one another.

**People: Come together to sing songs of praise to God. Give thanks for God's wondrous deeds. God's glory abides in this place of worship. Let us worship our God.**

#### \*PRAISE SONG "Lord I Lift Your Name"

#### 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. Trusting in God's love and mercy let us freely confess our sins before God and our neighbors.

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**All: Eternal God, as the Christ you showed us that love looks not to its own interests, but to the interests of others. We lament how little we resemble you in your humility, dedication and love. We are driven too often by ambition and conceit. We defend our views, arguing without understanding. We speak of love, but resist the sacrifices love requires. Gracious God, you are at work in us. Fill us and shape us with your Holy Spirit that we may will and work for your pleasure, loving our neighbors as ourselves. 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

**RESPONSIVE READING** Psalm 125:1-5 (p. 572)

**NEW TESTAMENT READING** James 2:1-9 (p. 229)

### A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

**SERMON** "The Poverty Of Faith"

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE

**\*PRAISE SONG** "You Are My All In All"

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** "The Apostles' Creed" (first page of the 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** (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

**\*PRAISE SONG** "You Shine"

(Please gather in center aisle to sing)

**\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**\*FOURFOLD AMEN** (led by the speaker in a cappella)

\*Please stand if you are able.

### WELCOME!

Today – *Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
September 9, 2018 @ 1:00 pm – English Worship Service

SPEAKER: Mr. Henry Kuo  
WORSHIP LEADER: William Tsang  
MUSIC LEADER: Doreen Cheung  
USHER: Anna Fong

Next Week – *Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
September 16, 2018 @ 1:00 pm – English Worship Service

SPEAKER: Mr. Henry Kuo  
WORSHIP LEADER: Vicki Louie-Shek  
MUSIC LEADER: Suzanne Yong-Sellers  
USHER: Kyle Tsang

### 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 all those struggling during these difficult times.
- Prayers for strength, faith and wisdom for all FCPC members.
- Prayers for the safety and smooth progress on the church renovation.
- Prayers for forgiveness, healing, and reconciliation between friends, families, communities, and nations.

### FELLOWSHIPS & GATHERINGS

HAPPENINGS	REGULAR MEETINGS	TIME	CONTACT	NEXT MEETING
Brothers & Sisters In Christ (BASIC)	4th Sunday	2:00 PM	Gilbert Wong Connie Leung	September 23 –Room 309
Sunday School (K-5)	Every Sunday	11:00AM	Doreen Cheung and Vicki Louie-Shek	Grades K-5 ----- 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor
Sunday School (6-12)	Every Sunday	11:00AM-12:30PM	Doreen Cheung and Vicki Louie-Shek	Grades 6-12 ----- 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor

## FCPC NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

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- 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) **Today's Speaker...** Henry Kuo is a doctoral candidate in systematic theology at the Graduate Theological Union/University of California at Berkeley.
- 3) **Children's Ministry Committee Meeting....** stated meeting will convene today September 9th at 2:30 p.m. in room 309.
- 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 and 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) **Keep updated on FCPC news....** Check out our website at <http://fcpc.org>, where you can read upcoming announcement, 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.

6)  
**Schedule of Upcoming Sunday English Worship Services for September 2018  
at 1 p.m.**

Date	Speakers	Worship Leaders	Music Leaders	Ushers
9/16	Mr. Henry Kuo	Vicki Louie-Shek	Suzanne Yong-Sellers	Kyle Tsang
9/23	Rev. Lisa Hill	Sharon Moi-Yap	Jimmy Shek	Peter Yap
9/30	CRE David Michel	Milton Mui	Tony Chan	Connie Leung

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