# **NEED TO KNOW COLUMN**

# Sunday, September 11

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

# Wednesday, September 14

7:00 p.m. - Session Meeting

### Thursday, September 15

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### Sunday, September 18

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

12:00 p.m. - Lemonade on the Lawn

### Tuesday, September 20

7:00 p.m. - Christian Education Committee Meeting via Zoom

### Wednesday, September 21

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, September 22 through Sunday, September 25

Rev. Doughton will be away for his High School Reunion & family visit

# Thursday, September 22

The Church Office will be closed - Renee is attending Presbytery Meeting

# Saturday, September 24

8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. - Faith Builders and L.I.F.E. Youth Trash Bash

# Sunday, September 25 - Guest Preacher, Rev. Krueger

7:30 a.m. - Men's Council Breakfast

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

### Wednesday, September 28

5:45 p.m. - Wednesday Night Live Dinner

6:30 p.m. - Art Anywhere by Pete Allen

6:30 p.m. - Adult Class led by Rev. Doughton

7:15 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### Saturday, October 1

TBD - Addressing Mesquite Day

### **Sunday, October 2 - World Wide Communion**

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

4:00 p.m. - Church Picnic at Town Center Park in Sunnyvale

6:00 p.m. - Vespers at the Picnic

# Mission Opportunity for All!

The Presbyterian Women are collecting school supplies for Florence Black Elementary School. Please drop off school supplies in the container near the Welcome Center through September.



Wednesday Night Live will return for an eightweek run starting Wednesday, September 28 through November 16.

Chef Rod Graham will prepare a light meal. The price is \$5 each. Please sign up to attend, there is a sign-up sheet in the Welcome Center.

Pete Allen will offer a different type class, "Art Anywhere." Pete will cover drawing, sketching, and using colored pencils.

Rev. Doughton will begin a short series on his trip to the Holy Land.

We offer for children and youth "First Wednesdays" on October 5 and November 2. There will be a special program for them on those nights.

Childcare will be provided upon request. Please call ahead and let us know you would like to utilize childcare, we want to have someone scheduled on staff.

# Order your FPC Mesquite T-Shirt or Polo Shirt today

The Women's Retreat Committee has arranged for the church to have T-Shirts and Polos made and available for purchase to the congregation. The Committee is also paying for a portion of the order to make the shirts more affordable for everyone.

There is a poster displaying the shirts in the hallway near the Welcome Center. There will be a list in the Welcome Center, please place your name on the list with your size to show your interest in this purchase.

### 18th Annual Addressing Mesquite Day

Addressing Mesquite Day is held in partnership with the Mesquite Ministerial Alliance and the City of Mesquite. This annual one-day event focuses on home repairs needed by senior citizens, single parents, military veterans, the disabled, and other homeowners in Mesquite.

This year's AMD will be held on Saturday, October 1, 2022. We have already been assigned a home and family to assist. Each year we volunteer our time as an All-Church Mission Outreach. Please sign up to help at the Welcome Center. There is a form to be completed and submitted to Eric Schwartz, who is our representative this year.

### Trash Bash

Faith Builders and L.I.F.E. Youth will join together with others in the community Saturday, September 24 at 8:00 a.m. to participate in a community litter cleanup event! Forms will be in the Sunday School Classes and in the Welcome Center. Please sign up today.

Contact Amanda Aynes or Sheila Hammer to participate in this event.

# THE CHALLENGE

Feeding the Community

The 100 Can Challenge continues. . .

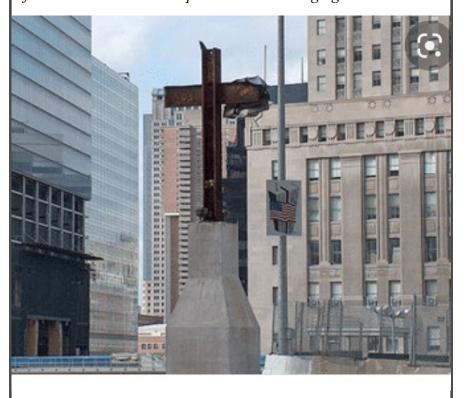
Let us carry on THE CHALLENGE to collect can goods and other non-perishable items. The donated items will be given to Sharing Life, as they feed those in need in our community. Our total for September is currently 21 items.

# **GUIDE TO WORSHIP**

September 11, 2022 8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Our cover today is a picture of a cross at Ground Zero. Today, we recall that terrible day 21 years ago. During the Prelude and Postlude please take time to reflect on those who lost their lives that day, their friends, and their loved ones.

God is our refuge and strength, an ever present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging. Psalm 46:1-3



Welcome to First Presbyterian Church! We hope you find a welcome here worthy of the gracious God we serve. Conventions in this bulletin include: an asterisk (\*) invites you to stand, as health allows, material printed in bold is for the congregation to sing or say, and material printed in italics may provide some helpful information. Let us worship God!

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

STRIKING OF THE HOUR FOR WORSHIP

Sonata #14 'Moonlight' **PRELUDE** L. van Beethoven

Op. 27, no. 2, I Adagio sostenuto

MOMENT OF SILENCE

102 Seconds

INTROIT Be Not Afraid arr. John L. Bell

Be not afraid; sing out for Joy! Christ is risen, alleluia! Be not afraid; sing out for joy! Christ is risen, alleluia!

**CALL TO WORSHIP** 

Philippians 1:2

Grace to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

And also to you.

As the deer pants for the water, so do our hearts long after You; You alone are our souls desire and we long to worship You. Let us worship God.

\*HYMN 370

This Is My Father's World

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy, Mighty, and Merciful God, in every age You have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. Forgive our indifference to Your will. You have commanded us to speak, but we have been silent. You have called us to do what is just, but we have been fearful. Have mercy on us, Your faithless servants. Keep before us faithful people for us to follow, so that living with courage and love, we may inherit the kingdom promised in Jesus Christ, and reign with Him forever. Amen.

#### \*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

\*RESPONSE (Hymn 581)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. A-men. A-men.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS #

**ANTHEM** Blessed Are They John Leavitt

Chancel Choir

Blessed are they, happy are they, Blessed are they of God.

Happy are those who are poor, for they shall be blessed of God.

He gently will lead them; He gladly will feed them; their home is the heart of God.

And blessed are those with sorrow and woe: His comfort and joy will overflow.

The meek and the lowly, blessed and holy: great is their gift from God. Happy are those who desire the righteousness born of God.

> He blesses their hunger; He fills them with wonder; their rest is the peace of God.

> > (continued)

And blessed are those who mercy do show: His grace and compassion will know. The purest of children see now this heaven, held in the hand of God.

Happy are those who love peace, for they are the sons of God. His light does shine through them; His truth will be in them; their life is the light of God.

The world will now hate them; it hates him before them; their part is the love of God.

Blessed are those who are poor; Happy are those who do mourn; Blessed are those who are meek; Happy are those whose hearts yearn; Blessed are those who show grace; Happy are those who are pure; Blessed are those who seek peace; Happy are those who know God.

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION #

Gracious and All Knowing God give us ears to hear, minds to understand, feet to act as we hear Your word read and preached in Jesus Name. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON ◆ (In unison)

Psalm 23KJV

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside still waters; He restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for His name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

### SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON •

*Matthew 6:5-8* 

"And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret, and your Father who sees in secret will reward you." "When you are praying, do not heap up empty phrases as the gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard because of their many words. Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Rev. Doughton The children and youth are asked to come forward at this time.

\*HYMN 803 My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

**SERMON** 

Do Not Be Like the Hypocrites Rev. Doughton

PRAYER FOR THE ANNIVERSARY OF 9/11

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*DOXOLOGY (Hvmn 606)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

\*HYMN 841

God Is My Strong Salvation

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE O God, You Are My God

O God, You are my God, and I will ever praise You.

O God, You are my God, and I will ever praise You.

I will seek You in the morning. and I will learn to walk in Your ways.

And step by step You'll led me, and I will follow You all of my days.

**POSTLUDE** 

Venetian Boat Song Op. 30, no. 6

F. Mendelssohn

**David Strasser** 

Note: Congregants are invited to remain seated during the Postlude. All may exit during the playing of the Recessional.

\*RECESSIONAL You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord Michael Joncas

### **ASSISTING IN WORSHIP**

**Elder # -** Paula Kusewitt (8:45); Meg GarverHamilton (11:00) Deacon/Ushers - Gina Villafana, Brittany Hammer, and David Howard (8:45);

> Gina Villafana, Brittany Hammer, David Howard, and Larry Thomas (11:00)

Youth Readers ◆ - Zoe Futrell (8:45); Mackenzie Davila (11:00)

## **THOSE WHO SERVE**

Rev. Dr. E. Jones Doughton, Pastor Ben Clifton, Director of Music Ministries Ryoji Shimpo, Organist Renee Stormer, Administrative Assistant Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Wilbanks. Pastor Emeritus