
ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, January 26, 2020

1:00 pm English Service

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The heavens tell of the glory of God, and all creation tells God's story.

People: All God's creatures reflect God's beauty.

Leader: Our life together speaks of God's wisdom.

People: The life of Jesus shows forth God's love.

Leader: Our faith tells God's story. Let us worship our God.

*PRAISE SONG " *Today Is The Day* "

OPENING PRAYER

Leader: Undaunted you seek the lost, O God, exultant you bring home the found. Touch our hearts with grateful wonder at the tenderness of your forbearing love. Grant us delight in the mercy that has found us, and bring all to rejoice at the feast of forgiveness. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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

All: God of grace, love, and communion, we confess that we have failed to love you with all our hearts, soul, and mind; and to love our neighbor as ourselves. We ignore your commandments, stray from your way, and follow other gods. Have mercy on us. Forgive our sin and raise us to new life that we may serve you faithfully and give honor to your holy name. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: By Christ's work, we are reconciled and united with God and with one another. Thanks be to God for the Good News.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

*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 READING Isaiah 9: 1-4 (p. 638)

GOSPEL READING Matthew 4: 12-23 (p. 3-4)

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

SERMON " *A Great Light* "

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE

***PRAISE SONG** " *I Can Only Imagine* "

***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** " *Because Of Your Love* "

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

**Please stand if you are able.*

WELCOME!

Today – *The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*
January 26, 2020 @ 1:00 pm – English Worship Service

SPEAKER: Dr Gerald Liu
WORSHIP LEADER: Suzanne Yong-Sellers
MUSIC LEADER: Kyle Tsang
USHER: Vicki Louie-Shek

Next Week – *The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*
February 2, 2020 @ 1:00 pm – English Worship Service with Holy Communion

SPEAKER: Reverend Lisa Hill
WORSHIP LEADER: Donald Lee
MUSIC LEADER: Doreen Cheung
USHER: Jimmy Shek
COMMUNION ASSISTANT: William 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 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 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	January 26---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. Gerald C. Liu is Assistant Professor of Worship and Preaching at Princeton Theological School. An ordained United Methodist Elder of the Mississippi Annual Conference, he also serves as a Minister in Residence Congregation in Manhattan. He is the son of culturally Buddhist immigrants from Taiwan, and is the author of *Music and the Generosity of God* (Palgrave, 2017).
- 3) **BASIC Fellowship** is meeting today in room 309 at 2pm. Justin will lead our program and refreshments are served.
- 4) **Board of Deacons....** February stated meeting will convene next Sunday February 2, 2020 at 2 p.m. in room 302.
- 5) **Our New Member....** We welcome Mrs. Oi Mei Lee as a new member to our church. Her baptism has been conducted by Reverend Laura Jervis at her house on December 29, 2019, in the witnesses of Elder Jonathan Chui and Deacon Donald Lee.
- 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 February 2020** **at 1 p.m.**

Date	Speakers	Worship Leaders	Music Leaders	Ushers	Communion Assistant
2/2	Rev. Lisa Hill	Donald Lee	Doreen Cheung	Jimmy Shek	William Tsang
2/9	Dr. Henry Kuo	William Tsang	Suzanne Yong-Sellers	Justin Choy	
2/16	Elder Dan DeBrucker	Rosalynn Mok	Alex Sze	Milton Mui	
2/23	Dr. Henry Kuo	Vicki Louie-Shek	Kyle Tsang	Peter Yap	
