
ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, March 1, 2020

1:00 pm English Service with Holy Communion

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Do not worry about your life, for we are held in the palm of God's hand.

People: We gather this day as people of hope, striving to trust in God's care.

Leader: Do not fret about the clothes you will wear, for we are clothed in the loving compassion of Christ.

People: We gather this day as people of hope, striving to trust in God's grace.

Leader: Do not think about what you will eat, for we are filled with the Spirit of God.

People: We gather this day as people of hope, striving for the kingdom of God.

*PRAISE SONG " *Everlasting God* "

OPENING PRAYER

Leader: God of all times and places, in Jesus Christ, lifted up on the cross, you opened for us the path to eternal life. Grant that we, being born again of water and the Spirit, may joyfully serve you in newness of life and faithfully walk in your holy ways; 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

People: God of compassion, in Jesus Christ you reveal the light of your glory, but we turn away, distracted by our own plans. We confess that we speak when we should listen, and act when we should wait. Forgive our aimless enthusiasm. Grant us wisdom to live in your light and to follow in the way of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

People: We declare, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. May the God of mercy who forgives us all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: Hear the teaching of Christ: A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have loved you. 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 FOR GOD'S WORD

RESPONSIVE READING Philippians 2: 1-11 (p. 197)

GOSPEL READING Matthew 11: 28-30 (p. 12)

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

SERMON " *Seek The Heart Of Jesus* "

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE

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

PRAYER CARD REQUEST & PREPARATION

OFFERING AND PRAYER COLLECTION

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

***OFFERTORY HYMN** " *Give Thanks* "

ANNOUNCEMENTS (led by the usher)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (led by the usher)

THE SEALING OF GOD'S WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

COMMUNION HYMN #244 " *Let Us Break Bread Together* "

THE INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

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, the power and the glory, forever. Amen

WE BEAR GOD'S LOVE INTO THE WORLD

***PRAISE SONG** " *Blessed Be Your Name* "

***CHARGE AND BEDICTION**

***HYMN** #675 "Fourfold Amen"

***Please stand if you are able.**

WELCOME!

Today – *First Sunday in Lent*

March 1, 2020 @ 1:00 pm – English Worship Service with Holy Communion

SPEAKER: CRE Peng Leong
 WORSHIP LEADER: Donald Lee
 MUSIC LEADER: William Tsang
 USHER: Jonathan Chui
 COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Rosalynn Mok

Next Week – *Second Sunday in Lent*

March 8, 2020 @ 1:00 pm – English Worship Service

SPEAKER: Dr. Henry Kuo
 WORSHIP LEADER: Doreen Cheung
 MUSIC LEADER: Vicki Louie-Shek
 USHER: 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 the wisdom, strength, and the guidance of the Holy Spirit working on the Pastor Nominating Committee and their service.
- Continued prayers of healing for Donald Lee’s sprained ankle.
- Remembering the many families who lost loved ones on the tragic helicopter crash.
- Prayers in facing the outbreak of COVID-19 in Hong Kong, Macau, Taiwan and China Mainland and other parts of the world especially in United States.
- Prayers for Elder Dan DeBrucker who is battling an infection following a recent foot surgery.

FELLOWSHIPS & GATHERINGS

HAPPENINGS	REGULAR MEETING	TIME	CONTACT	NEXT MEETING
Brothers & Sisters In Christ (BASIC)	4th Sunday	2:00 PM	Gilbert Wong Connie Leung	March 22--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...** CRE Peng Leong has been commissioned by NYC Presbyterian Church (USA) to serve Holy Communion to churches and the homebound members. She is also commissioned as Christian Educator and at this transition period without a Pastor. She serves as Lay Pastor of FCPC.
- 3) Board of Deacons...** March stated meeting will be held on Room 302 today at 2:00 pm.
- 4) Children’s Ministry Committee...** March stated meeting will convene on March 8 at 2:30 pm in room 309.
- 5) Tax Refund...** The receipt of your offerings for the year 2019 is ready for your tax report. Please talk to Mr. Sam Yu to register your request if you need.
- 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 2020 at 1 p.m.**

Dates	Speakers	Worship Leaders	Music Leaders	Ushers
3/8	Dr. Henry Kuo	Doreen Cheung	Vicki Louie-Shek	Milton Mui
3/15	CRE David Michel	Milton Mui	Suzanne Yong-Sellers	Justin Choy
3/22	Rev. Bertram Johnson	Sharon Moi-Yap	Tony Chan	Peter Yap
3/29	Dr. Henry Kuo	Alex Sze	Jimmy Shek	Kyle Tsang
