

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, March 15, 2020

1:00 pm English Service

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: With the Good Shepherd as our guide, we shall want for nothing.

People: God leads us along peaceful paths, restoring our souls.

Leader: Even in the shadow of death, we fear no evil.

People: For the Good Shepherd walks with us day and night.

Leader: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow all the days of our lives.

People: We shall dwell in the house of the Holy God all our life long.

***PRAISE SONG " Lord I Lift Your Name On High "**

OPENING PRAYER

Leader: Eternal God, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son. Help us to hear your Word and obey it, that we may become instruments of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: God, our comforter and guide, we confess what comes between us and you. We have been blind to the faults in ourselves that we so readily detect in others: prizing appearance and credentials, and failing to see the heart; rushing headlong into temptation, without thought for what is right; keeping secret what would shame us, if it were known; denying truths voiced by people we disdain. God of light, expose to us our own sin, that we may confess it and turn from it, and so live in the light of your forgiveness and love.

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 Exodus 17: 1-7 (p. 64)

GOSPEL READING John 4: 5-42 (p. 94-95)

**A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES
SERMON " Living Water "**

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE

***PRAISE SONG " God Will Make A Way "**

***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 " Doxology "**

WOMEN'S APPRECIATION & BLESSINGS

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 " Today Is The Day "**
(Please gather in center aisle to sing)

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***FOURFOLD AMEN**

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

WELCOME!

Today – *Third Sunday In Lent*

March 15, 2020 @ 1:00 pm – English Worship Service

SPEAKER: Dr. Gerald Liu
 WORSHIP LEADER: Milton Mui
 MUSIC LEADER: Suzanne Yong-Sellers
 USHER: Justin Choy

Next Week – *Fourth Sunday in Lent*

March 22, 2020 @ 1:00 pm – English Worship Service

SPEAKER: Rev. Bertram Johnson
 WORSHIP LEADER: Sharon Moi-Yap
 MUSIC LEADER: Tony Chan
 USHER: Peter Yap

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.
- Remembering the many families who lost loved ones on the tragic helicopter crash.
- Continued prayers for those affected by the outbreak of COVID-19 in Asia, the United States and other parts of the world, including Elder David Michel who is self-quarantined after possible exposure.
- 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	Grades K-5 – 2 nd Floor
Sunday School (6-12) / JYF	Every Sunday	11:00 AM-12:30 PM	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 at the Church of Village, a United Methodist 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) The BASIC Fellowship** is collecting empty shampoo, conditioner, or body care bottles for recycling. Please drop off empty and preferably dry plastic bottles in the box labeled “**Bottle Recycling**” in Room 309. For any questions, please contact Connie Leung.
- 4) The Session...** March stated meeting will be held today 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
3/22	Rev. Bertram Johnson	Sharon Moi-Yap	Tony Chan	Peter Yap
3/29	Dr. Henry Kuo	Alex Sze	Jimmy Shek	Kyle Tsang
