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WORSHIP

Sundays at 10:00
YMCA Gymnasium
855 Sacramento Street
San Francisco, CA 94108



FIRST CHINESE BAPTIST CHURCH
of SAN FRANCISCO



WORSHIP ORDER

WE PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

Prelude
Call to Worship
Opening Prayer

WE PRAISE OUR GREAT GOD

Praise Songs

WE EMBRACE CHRIST OUR SAVIOR

FCBC Life and Events
Prayers of God's People

WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

Sermon Title:
Passage:

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S BLESSINGS

Offering
Praise Songs

GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD

Benediction

Today's Flowers are given in Wishing a Happy
Birthday to Wally Poon.

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WHO WE ARE

"First Chinese Baptist Church, San Francisco is a multigenerational bilingual bicultural church. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, we are called to be a person so transformed by God's gracious love in Jesus Christ that we joyfully commit ourselves in worship, witness, discipleship, and ministry."

WHAT IS THE GOSPEL

We believe that the gospel is the good news of Jesus Christ—God's very wisdom. This good news is Christological, centering on the cross and resurrection. Consequently, the gospel is not proclaimed if Christ is not proclaimed, and the authentic Christ has not been proclaimed if His death and resurrection are not central. This good news is biblical (his death and resurrection are according to the Scriptures), theological and salvific (Christ died for our sins to reconcile us to God), historical (if the saving events did not happen our faith is worthless, we are still in our sins, and are to be pitied more than all others), apostolic (the message was entrusted to and transmitted by the apostles who were witnesses of these saving events), and personal (where it is received, believed, and held firmly, individual persons are saved).

WORSHIP SERVICE

Join us Sunday Mornings for our worship service.

Every Sunday
10:00am

Location: 855 Sacramento Street
San Francisco, CA 94108

MONTHLY PRAYER FOCUS

God has invited us to accomplish His works through the power of prayer. We want to continue to pray for our pastoral search committee as we continue to seek our new senior pastor.

FCBC's budget process and the World Mission Offering.

All the folks impacted by the hurricanes and earthquakes.

Our government leaders.

2017 CHURCH THEMES: Evangelism & Fellowship

2017 CHURCH SLOGAN: Proclaim & Present

2017 CHURCH THEME VERSE:

"It is he [Jesus] whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ." Colossians 1.28



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Jr. High

Beginning today, we will be meeting at 10 am in Room 350A of the church.

Sr. High

We will be meeting after service 11:30am on the 2nd floor in the classroom at the YMCA.

Young Adult

(college & post college)

Join us after service 11:30am for Bible study, fellowship, and prayer. Location: 3rd floor loft at the YMCA.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA FIRE DISASTER AID – In response to wildfires that have been raging throughout Northern California since Oct. 8, American Baptist Home Mission Societies, on behalf of American Baptist Churches USA, has released a \$5,000 One Great Hour of Sharing Emergency Disaster Relief Grant to the Growing Healthy Churches region.

The region office will distribute funds to these California churches: CrossWalk Community Church, Napa; New Vintage Church, Santa Rosa; and First Baptist Church, Ukiah. Two of the churches are housing evacuees, while the third is partnering with a community evacuation center. Donations can be made via the enclosed envelope. Please designate “OGHS-No. CA Fires” in the memo line.

WORLD MISSION OFFERING (WMO) – To date we have collected \$1730. If you have not already given, please consider a cheerful and generous gift to the WMO offering.

“LIVE GENEROUSLY”—2018 Canvass

On October 2nd, the congregation heard about the upcoming ministries in our church. Canvass materials were sent to your homes inviting you to support the work of FCBC. Our pledge goal is \$635,000 which is the same as 2017. Please prayerfully consider making your pledge commitment by bringing in your pledges on Oct. 29, at the 10:00 All-Church Worship at the YMCA, or scan the QR code to pledge online. Canvass chairs are Nelson Wong & Charles Yong.



BAPTISM/MEMBERSHIP CLASSES

Pastors Linda (adult) and Visal (youth) will be offering a class for those who are prayerfully thinking about Baptism and/or church membership beginning on Sunday, Nov. 5 at 10:00a.m. Believers Baptism is on Dec. 17th. If you are interested in exploring this decision, please contact your pastor.

THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON & SENIORS APPRECIATION

Plan now to attend the annual Thanksgiving Luncheon of turkey, sticky rice, and dessert on November 19th at 12:30. Seniors 65 and older are our guests and we'll celebrate their contributions as sages and guides for the next generations. Tickets are available from the Social Committee. Adults and Youth--\$5; Children 5-12--\$3; and Seniors and Children 4 and younger—Free.

SAVE THE DATES

THE ONE THING TO GET RIGHT – if you are a leader, are interested in being a leader, or simply want to know what the one thing to get right is, plan to attend the Leadership Development workshop on Nov. 4 from 1-3 p.m. in Room 350A. A light lunch will be served at 12:45. Please RSVP to the office by Oct. 30.

HEALTH SEMINAR – will be held at 2 pm in the fellowship hall on Nov. 5th. Rev. Dr. Timothy Tin will be the speaker and he is keen on Chinese medicine. He will also teach physical exercises to improve our health. Limited health consultation quotas are available before and after the semester. Details please refer to flyers/posters. You may contact Pastor Lydia for questions.

GET YOUR OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD BOXES NOW! Operation Christmas Child partners with churches worldwide to reach boys and girls with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. After receiving a shoebox gift, children can enroll in a Bible student course, *The Greatest Journey*, where they learn to become faithful followers of Christ and share their faith with others.



A \$9 donation per shoebox gift is critical to cover shipping and other ministry expenses, please make a check payable to **Samaritans Purse** for the total of your boxes or give online by scanning the QR code to [Follow Your Box](#). Boxes are available in the entryway. Please note that toothpaste and candy are NO longer allowed in shoeboxes due to customs regulations. Please bring your completed shoeboxes to church on Sunday, November 12th or 19th. Latest collection time at FCBC is 12:30PM on November 19th.

NAMES FOR THE MESSIAH – Advent Series

A four-session advent series, written by best-selling author Walter Brueggeman, is available for Bible Study Groups, Fellowship Groups or individuals who want to deepen their appreciation for and understanding of the Advent season. In addition, an adult Sunday school class in which this study will be used will be offered at 10:00 starting on Dec. 3.

The study is based on Isaiah 9:6 where a divine utterance is given using four royal titles - Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace. Names for the Messiah ponders each royal designation and how the people understood it then, how Jesus did or did not fulfill the title, and how Christians interpret Jesus as representative of that title. In this study, Brueggemann tackles the questions: "What were these expectations?" and "Did Jesus fulfill them?"

If you are interested in obtaining a hard copy, please contact the office. An E-book edition is available at christianbook.com. Reimbursement for the purchase of an E-book is available by turning your receipt in to the office.

Upcoming Events

10/29

Pledge Sunday/Joint Service
10AM @YMCA



Rebuilding, Restoring, Renewing Puerto Rico

In response to the devastating one-two punch leveled at Puerto Rico by hurricanes Irma and Maria, American Baptist Home Mission Societies (ABHMS), in partnership with American Baptist Churches USA, has launched “Rebuilding, Restoring, Renewing Puerto Rico.”

The multi-year initiative seeks to raise **\$1 million** within the next three to six months through One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) to support rebuilding communities and lives. **ABHMS has pledged \$25,000, matching OGHS funds already earmarked for Puerto Rico recovery.**

“We will work with our American Baptist partners to restore all 114 churches and nine missions in Iglesias Bautistas de Puerto Rico as well as Corporación Milagros del Amor and Seminario Evangélico de Puerto Rico,” says ABHMS Executive Director Dr. Jeffrey Haggray.

The first phase will address Puerto Rico’s pressing need for supplies, including bottled water; medicines; baby wipes, diapers and formula; canned milk; bedding; insect repellent; first-aid kits; and construction materials.

Your contribution—no matter the size—will make a big difference for our Puerto Rican American Baptist family. One hundred percent of donations go to relief efforts. No dollars are retained for administrative costs.

> Go to www.abhms.org and click GIVE NOW.

To ensure that your church receives credit for your gift, write the church name in the “comment” box.

If making a donation via check, please make check payable to “FCBC” with Memo “OGHS-Puerto Rico”, put into the envelope provided or mail to:

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See the Economic and Community Development video at www.worldmissionoffering.org.

Reducing poverty through economic development

International Ministries personnel are engaged in income-generation and sustainable livelihood programs around the world that seek to restore God's shalom and dignity to marginalized and at-risk individuals and communities.

“ Thomas is a pastor in a rural town. So one day he came to me and said, Can I take beekeeping lessons? . . . As it turned out, he became my main partner in teaching and training Mapuche beekeepers. Actually his knowledge of beekeeping surpasses my own! Beekeeping is a vocation. It's very different. To be able to master a craft like this gives people dignity. They realize, I know something. I'm good at something. I can produce income and I can take care of creation at the same time. ”

Rev. Dwight Bollick
International Ministries
missionary in Chile

Your prayers and gifts to the World Mission Offering allow International Ministries to address the economic needs of low-income individuals and families through the creation of sustainable businesses and employment opportunities in the countries where we serve. Gifts can be made through your church or online at www.worldmissionoffering.org.

