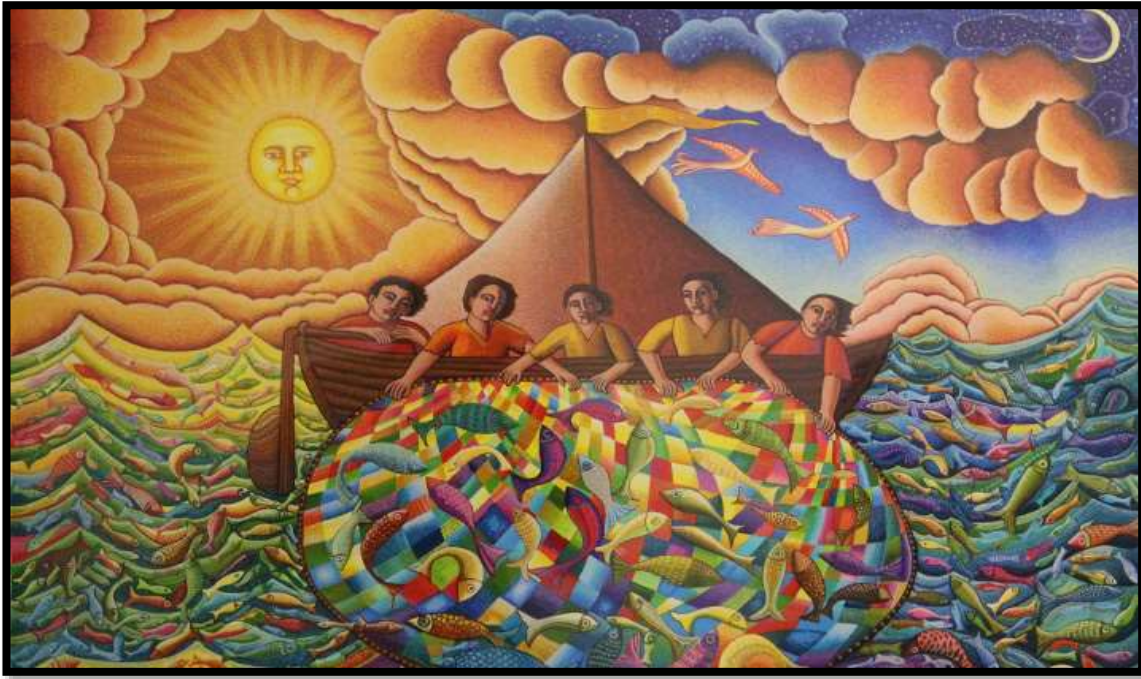


# Old First Presbyterian Church



**February 20, 2022**

**The Reverend Maggi Henderson, Pastor  
The Presbyterian Church (USA)**

**Worship Through Praising God**

*Please fill out a guest card found in the pew rack and  
place it in the offering basket in the narthex when you exit the church building.*

*Silence is requested as we prepare our hearts for worship.*

*\* At the asterisk, please rise in body or spirit.*

**Prelude** *Quatre Pièces pour orgue, Op. 37, No. 4 Choral*

Joseph Jongen (1873-1953)

**Welcome and  
Church Life**

**Introit**

Gordon Young (1919-1998)

Now let us all praise God and sing our great Redeemer's praise,  
That we may all with one accord our joyful voices raise. Sing alleluia!

**\*Call to  
Worship**

Betty Voris

Leader Gentle and patient,  
**People God, you are calling.**  
Leader Careful and persistent,  
**People God you are calling.**  
Leader In grief and in praise,  
**People God you are calling.**  
Leader Through dawn and midday,  
**People God, you are calling.**  
Leader Unexpected and planned,  
**People God, you are calling.**  
Leader In a still, small voice and in power,  
**People God, you are calling.**  
Leader Our God is eager to share with us,  
Wherever we are in our journey.  
**People May we be diligent to listen.**  
**God, you are calling and we will follow!**

**\*Hymn 721 Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore**

1 Lord, you have come to the lakeshore  
looking neither for wealthy nor wise ones;  
you only asked me to follow humbly.

**Refrain O Lord, with your eyes you have searched me,  
and while smiling have spoken my name;  
now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me.  
By your side I will seek other seas.**

2 You know so well my possessions;  
my boat carries no gold and no weapons;  
you will find there my nets and labor.

3 You need my hands, full of caring,  
through my labors to give others rest  
and constant love that keeps on loving.

4 You, who have fished other oceans,  
ever longed for by souls who are waiting,  
my living friend, and thus you call me:

**Prayer of  
Confession**

Betty Voris

God of wonder and joy,  
we look in the mirror and do not see holiness reflected back.  
We long to be sisters and brothers with others,  
but don't want to be an intrusion in our friends' lives.  
We yearn to be more compassionate,  
yet it is often spite and malice we offer to someone else.

We are so busy listening to our iPhones and our own woes,  
that we have trouble  
hearing the cries of loneliness coming from those around us.

*Silence is kept.*

Forgive us, God, you who long to be enthroned in our hearts.  
You call us to different lives,  
so we might make a difference for all who hurt.  
You invite us into your kingdom,  
so we might show the others the way.  
You challenge us to take a risk by following Jesus Christ,  
our Lord and Savior,  
so we might become your children once again. Amen.

**Assurance of  
Forgiveness**

Leader

The One who alone is Holy became wholly human  
so we might see the face of grace.  
The One who is seated in the heavens endured the cross  
so we might see the face of salvation.  
This is our Good News: we are forgiven!

People

**By God's grace, with God's grace,  
we are who we are meant to be:  
forgiven, restored, called people.  
Thanks be to God!**

**Offertory**

*Ushers will receive the offering at this time.*

Lodovico da Viadana (1560-1627)

Exsultate justi in Domino: rectos decet collaudatio.	<i>Exult in God, ye just, It is fitting for the righteous to praise God together.</i>
Confitemini Domino in cithara.	<i>Give praise to the Lord on the harp.</i>
In psalterio decem chordarum psallite illi.	<i>Play to God on the ten-stringed psaltery.</i>
Cantate ei canticum novum.	<i>Sing to God a new song.</i>
Bene psallite ei in vociferacione quia rectum est verbum Domini et omnia opera ejus in fide.	<i>Sing well to God with a strong voice, for the word of God is right, and all God's works are faithful.</i>
Diligit misericordiam et iudicium; misericordia Domini plena est terra.	<i>God esteems mercy and justice. The earth is full of God's mercy.</i>

Psalm 33:1-5 Hebrew/32:1-5 Greek

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**The Peace**

*Please remain seated for the Peace.*

Leader

Peace be with you.

People

**And also with you.**

**Worship Through Hearing God's Word**

**Time with Our  
Children**

**Prayers of the  
People**

Erwin Barron

Prayer Partners Kurt Schwartzmann, Pam Sebastian, Randy Smith and Andrea Segura Smith,  
Sally Spencer, Mark Spicer and Sam, Rose Marie Springer,

**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.**

**Scripture**

**Luke 5:1-11**

Leader For the Word of God in scripture,  
For the Word of God within us,  
For the Word of God among us,

**People Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

Pastor Henderson

<b>Worship Through Responding to God's Word</b>
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**\*Hymn 726 Will You Come and Follow Me, Verses 1-4**

- 1 **“Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;  
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?”**
- 2 **“Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?”**
- 3 **“Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?  
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,  
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?”**
- 4 **“Will you leave the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,  
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?”**

**Blessing**

Pastor Henderson

**Congregational Meeting**

**Prayer and  
Call to Order**

Pastor Henderson  
Eva DeLair, Acting Clerk

**Budget** *Overview*

**Election of** *Nominees for Deacon: Cindy Burt, Mary Russell, Sarah Taber (Class of 2025)*

**Officers** *Nominees for Elder: George Becker (Class of 2023) and Michael Berg, Eva DeLair,  
Jeanne Kirkwood (Class of 2025)*

*Nominating Committee: Jeanne Kirkwood (Session), Mary Russell (Board of Deacons),  
Bill Feister, Glen Potter, AnnieScott Rogers, Betty Voris (at large), and Sidney  
Hollar (alternate)*

**Vote** *Pastor's Compensation Package*

**\*Hymn** **Will You Come and Follow Me, Last Verse**

**Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.  
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.**

*You may also place your offering in the basket as you leave the church or may make it using the electronic kiosk in  
the narthex or Old First's on-line giving page found on the right-side of our homepage: [www.oldfirst.org](http://www.oldfirst.org).*

*Are you visiting today? Please fill in the contact tracing binder, if you have not already done so.*

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**On the Cover**

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**Call to Worship**

This morning's call to worship is by Joanie Thurman Williams.

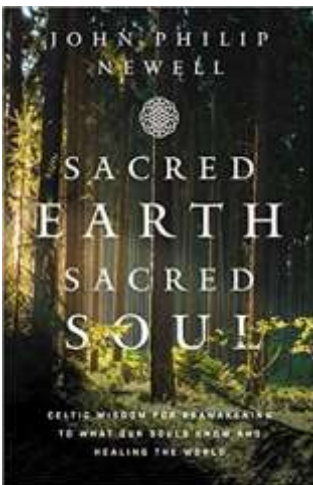
**Communion Next Sunday**

Next Sunday, February 27, we will celebrate communion, the Lord's Supper.

**Lent Begins: Ash Wednesday, March 2, 7:00 pm**

Lent begins Wednesday, March 2. Our worship service at Old First will start at 7:00 pm – both in-person and live-streamed. We will be joined by our neighbors, St. Luke's Episcopal Church, whose rector, the Reverend Jason Cox will be our preacher for the evening.

## Sacred Earth, Sacred Soul: Book Study for Lent



During Lent, Old First will read and discuss *Sacred Earth, Sacred Soul: Celtic Wisdom for Reawakening to What Our Souls Know and Healing the World* by John Philip Newell.

You can **get the book** from the library, at local bookstores, or on Kindle. Copies are also available for \$20 at the church. You can get the book after worship on Sunday or from the church office during the week. Simply have a check ready or cash in the exact amount.

### **In-Person**

The first session of the **in-person series** will be on March 6. The session will start in the Fellowship Hall thirty minutes after the end of worship. Bring your vaccination card and also your lunch. (Note: If you bring a bag lunch, you can keep it in the church fridge until class – or you can easily get food to-go on Polk Street. Beverages will be supplied.) To sign up, E-mail [learning@oldfirst.org](mailto:learning@oldfirst.org).

### **On-Line?**

**If there's interest, a parallel on-line series** could be held via Zoom on a weekday. If you'd like an on-line series, send an E-mail to [learning@oldfirst.org](mailto:learning@oldfirst.org) right away.

## John Philip Newell: Recorded at First Pres San Rafael

John Philip Newell made a rare appearance yesterday at First Presbyterian Church in San Rafael and the event was video recorded. The recording is **available for viewing as of this morning**, on First Presbyterian Church of San Rafael's YouTube channel. Simply search for "First Presbyterian Church San Rafael, CA" on YouTube.