

# Old First Presbyterian Church



Sunday, June 2, 2024

## Worship Through Praising God

*Easy-to-use earphones to assist with hearing are available from the ushers.*

*Please fill out a guest card found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher.*

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

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

**Prelude** Liturgical Improvisation No. 3 George Oldroyd (1887-1956)

**Welcome and Church Life** Nina Berg

**Introit** Spanish folk melody, arranged by Benjamin Carr (1768-1831)  
Harmonized by David Evans (1874-1938)  
Chelsea Hollow, soprano

Come, Christians, join to sing: Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ our King: Alleluia! Amen!

Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;

praise is his gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!

Christian Henry Bateman (1813-1889)

Nina Berg

### \*Call to Worship

Leader Thanks be to you, O God, that we have risen this day,  
**People to the rising of life itself.**

Leader Be the purpose of God between us and each purpose,  
**People the hand of God between us and each hands.**

Leader the pain of Christ between us and each pain,  
**People the love of Christ between us and each love.**

Leader Beloved of the waifs, beloved of the naked,  
**People draw us to the shelter house of the Saviour of the poor.**

John L. Bell, Iona, Scotland

**\*Hymn 307    God of Grace and God of Glory**

- 1    God of grace and God of glory,  
      on thy people pour thy power;  
crown thine ancient church's story;  
      bring its bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour,  
      for the facing of this hour.
  
- 2    Lo! the hosts of evil round us  
      scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!  
From the fears that long have bound us  
      free our hearts to faith and praise.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days,  
      for the living of these days.
  
- 3    Cure thy children's warring madness;  
      bend our pride to thy control;  
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,  
      rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,  
      lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.
  
- 4    Save us from weak resignation  
      to the evils we deplore.  
Let the gift of thy salvation  
      be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore,  
      serving thee whom we adore.

**Prayer of  
Confession**

Nina Berg

**God of living water, we confess the dryness of our lives:  
the brittle words we have thought and spoken,**

*Silence*

**the relationships that are crumbling,**

*Silence*

**the arid perspective that centers on self,**

*Silence*

**the cracked and jagged edges of our world.**

*Silence*

**Hear our confession, O Christ,  
and rain down your mercy upon us. Amen.**

**\*Assurance of Forgiveness**

Leader Jesus says:  
People **“Those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty.**  
Leader This promise revives our dry souls:  
People **“The water that I will give will become in them a spring of living water.”**

**\*Sung Assurance**

Jacques Berthier (1923-1994)

**Live in charity and steadfast love.  
Live in charity; God will dwell with you.**

Latin, 8<sup>th</sup> Century

English translation: Taizé Community, 1991

**Offering**

*Ushers will now receive the offering. You may also make your offering electronically using the QR-code at the right.*



Solo

Chelsea Hollow, soprano

**\*Doxology**

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**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**Time with Our Children**

The Reverend Erwin C. Barron

**\*The Peace**

Leader Peace be with you.  
People **And also with you.**

**Worship Through Hearing God’s Word**

**Prayers of the People**

The Reverend Erwin Barron

Prayer Partners Bryan Nichols and Robin Currier, Chuck and Emily Olson, Karyn Payne, Daniel Pearch, Donald Pender, Kim Pham, Gordon Phipps

**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** John 4:1-30 (page 89)

**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**

The Reverend Glenda Hope

<b>Worship Through Responding to God's Word</b>
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**\*Hymn 720** **Jesus Calls Us**

- 1 **Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult  
of our life's wild, restless sea;  
day by day his sweet voice soundeth  
saying, "Christian, follow me."**
- 2 **Jesus calls us from the worship  
of the vain world's golden store,  
from each idol that would keep us,  
saying, "Christian, love me more."**
- 3 **In our joys and in our sorrows,  
days of toil and hours of ease,  
still he calls in cares and pleasures,  
"Christian, love me more than these."**
- 4 **Jesus calls us: by thy mercies,  
Savior, may we hear thy call,  
Give our hearts to thy obedience,  
Serve and love thee best of all.**

**\*Charge and  
Benediction**

**Solo**

Welsh folk melody; adapted in *Caniadau y Cyssegr*, 1839  
Chelsea Hollow, soprano

Unite us, anoint us, O Spirit of love,  
for you are within us, around us, above.  
Equip us for service with gifts you bestow.  
In Christ is our calling, in Christ may we grow.

Ruth Duck (born 1947)

**Postlude** God of Grace

Paul Manz (1919-2009)

*You are invited to leave or to stay for the postlude as you desire.*

*Please join us in the fellowship hall downstairs for coffee.*

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Sharing God's Love, Welcome, and Justice  
on Our Corner, in Our City, and in the World



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### Today's Guest Preacher: Glenda Hope

Our preacher today is the Reverend Glenda Hope, retired Presbyterian minister, life-long activist for those most at-risk among God's people, and friend of Old First. Glenda was ordained a minister of word and sacrament at Old First on May 17, 1970.

### Food Bank Barrel Challenge, This June

When you go shopping this June, pick up one of these items and bring it on Sunday to our SF/Marin Food Bank barrel found in the Narthex. Make it a spiritual practice to thank God, to feed those who hunger, and to rejoice in God's abundance and your opportunity to practice hospitality. All food donated goes directly into our SF/Marin community.

For June 2 and 9, bring spaghetti sauce and pasta.

For June 16, 23 and 30, bring canned meats and tuna.

No glass containers please!

### Where's Maggi? ALC 2024, June 2-8

This week Pastor Maggi Henderson is again a roadie for the annual AIDS/LifeCycle (ALC). ALC cyclists and roadies come from all over California, the US and the world to raise funds for the life-saving work of the San Francisco AIDS Foundation and the Los Angeles LGBT Center.

To contribute to her fund-raising, simply use this QR-code or visit

<https://giving.aidslifecycle.org/participant/pastormaggi2024>



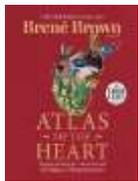
### SF Lesbian/Gay Freedom Band Concert, June 8

The San Francisco Lesbian/Gay Freedom Band kicks off Pride Month with a concert – Pride Unleashed: A Celebration of Freedom – at Old First.

Tickets cost \$40 for preferred seating and \$20 for general seating. Tickets can be purchased in advance at <https://tinyurl.com/Freedom-Pride> (just use the QR-code to the right), or before the concert at the door.



### Next Book Discussion Session, June 10 (Note Date!)



The fifth session of our new book discussion of Brené Brown's *Atlas of the Heart: Mapping Meaningful Connections and Language of the Human Heart* will take place via Zoom on Monday, **June 10**, at 7:00 pm. At this session we'll cover Chapter 5 "Places We Go When Things Aren't What They Seem." Please let Maggi, know if you plan to attend. Below is the Zoom link to the Monday night sessions. The link can also be found in Maggi's weekly E-mail on Saturdays.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81744087981?pwd=TVVOUVptVldlMll1T2VFQ2ZMMWl0QT09>

**Mark Your Calendar: Pride Day, June 30**

Once again Old First is marching with other LGBTQ-inclusive congregations and affirming clergy from Northern California in the annual Pride Parade under the banner of **United in Spirit**.



Join Old First's contingent marching with United in Spirit on June 30. Note: There will be a motorized cable car for those who prefer to ride.

Let Maggi know if you plan to march!

**Coffee Hour**

Would you like to support our life together by sponsoring coffee hour after worship? There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Sacramento Street lobby. Choose a date, add your name and the dedication to appear in the bulletin, and then make your contribution of \$50 by check or by using the QR-code to the right.



**This Week at Old First**

**Sunday June 2**

- After Worship Coffee Hour
- 4:00 pm O1C: Blaise Bryski, piano
- 7:15 pm AA Friendly Circle, Fellowship Hall

**Saturday June 8**

- 9:00 am Interfaith Food Pantry, Fellowship Hall
- 8:00 pm SF Lesbian/Gay Freedom Band Concert, Sanctuary

**Sunday June 9**

- 11:00 am Worship
- After Worship Coffee Hour
- 2:00 pm Board of Deacons, On-Line
- 7:15 pm AA Friendly Circle, Fellowship Hall

**Old First Presbyterian Church**

- The Reverend Maggi Henderson Pastor and Moderator
- The Reverend Erwin C. Barron Parish Associate
- Larry Marietta Music Director
- Brad Peterson Church Office Administrator
- Kristi Hoerauf Wedding Coordinator