

Old First Presbyterian Church



Sunday, June 16, 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

Samuel Cheng, organist

**Welcome and
Church Life**

Introit

Jaime Cortez (born 1963)
Arranged by Jeffrey Honoré (born 1956)
Sergey Khalikulov, bass

The Lord has done great things for us,
we are filled with gladness and joy.

When God set the captives of Zion free,
we were more like children in a dream.
Then you could hear our laughter and cheer;
then you could hear our shouts of joy.

The Lord has done great things for us,
we are filled with gladness and joy.

They said in amazement to the world,
“Indeed, God has done great things for them.”
Truly our God has done great things,
and so we are glad, we shout for joy.

The Lord has done great things for us,
we are filled with gladness and joy.
Restore all our fortunes, God of love,
like rivers that save the desert lands.
Those who have gone to sow in tears
shall go back to reap with songs of joy.

The Lord has done great things for us,
we are filled with gladness and joy.

Psalm 126

***Call to Worship**

Jeanne Kirkwood

Leader All around us, God is looking for folks
who will join is serving others.

**People It is as if God is planting seeds of compassion in us,
watching for them to bloom in our lives.**

Leader In our midst, Jesus is walking among us,
tending our hearts, watering us with grace.

**People It is as if Jesus is trusting that our souls
will grow big enough to welcome everyone.**

Leader From morning to evening, the Spirit is at work,
gently tending this garden called life.

**People It is as if the Spirit has found the perfect spots
to bring forth crops of justice and peace.**

***Hymn 504 We Come as Guests Invited**

- 1 We come as guests invited when Jesus bids us dine,
his friends on earth united to share the bread and wine;
the bread of life is broken; the wine is freely poured
for us, in solemn token of Christ our dying Lord.
- 2 We eat and drink, receiving from Christ the grace we need,
and in our hearts believing on him by faith we feed;
with wonder and thanksgiving for love that knows no end,
we find in Jesus living our ever-present friend.
- 3 One bread is ours for sharing, one single fruitful vine,
our fellowship declaring renewed in bread and wine:
renewed, sustained, and given by token, sign, and word,
the pledge and seal of heaven, the love of Christ our Lord.

**Prayer of
Confession**

Jeanne Kirkwood

**How you must grieve over us, God of all.
You give us blessings to share with others,
but we hoard everything for ourselves.
You look for us to join you in serving the most vulnerable,
but find us worshipping the wealthy and powerful.
You offer us joy and wonder to embrace,
but we continue to cling to weapons and things.
You offer us ways to move forward in hope,
to rename and change the “gloom loop”
which swirls around our lives and our city,
but we refuse to see the good, to work for change
and get drawn into the despair.**

Silence is kept.

**Have mercy on us, Anointing God,
as you pour your forgiveness into our foolish lives.
Plant the seeds of grace, hope, love, and peace in us
that we may blossom and share all these gifts
with everyone we meet.
We pray this in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

***Assurance of
Forgiveness**

Leader

God’s love is not logical and understandable.
For God forgives those we never would,
and welcomes those we would continue to ignore.

People

**This is the One who has mercy on everyone,
pouring grace and joy into everyone, including us!
Thanks be to God, we are forgiven!**

***Sung Assurance**

Jacques Berthier (1923-1994)

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

Latin, 8th Century

English translation: Taizé Community, 1991

Offering

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



Solo

The Lord’s Prayer

Albert Hay Malotte (1895-1964)

***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 Peace**

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

Worship Through Hearing God's Word

Scripture Mark 4:26-34 (page 36)
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

Worship Through Holy Communion

**Invitation to the
Lord's Table**

**The Great
Thanksgiving**

Leader May the Listening God be with you.
People **May God also be with you.**
Leader Let us open our hearts to the One who hears us.
People **We offer them to our God, who knows we are all the same.**
Leader Shout for joy, people of God, and sing glad praises.
People **We join praising the One who is always with us.**

The leader continues the prayer.

**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.**

**The Words of
Institution**

**The Bread
and the Cup**

All are invited to come forward to share in the Lord's Supper.

Receive the bread from the pastor, then dip it in the wine or grape juice.

There is wine in the chalice and grape juice in the cup.

Worship Through Responding to God's Word

***Hymn When Jesus Called You "Father"**

Sung to the tune of Hymn 321 The Church's One Foundation

- 1 **When Jesus called you "Father" in teaching folks to pray,
And when he said we're children who need to trust your way,
O God, he knew your closeness, your guidance from above.
Perhaps in Joseph's caring, he'd learned to trust your love.**
- 2 **Some cannot call you Father; they will not use that name.
The fathers they have known here have caused them fear and pain;
And though you're like a father, you're like a mother, too.
No single name can ever tell all we know of you.**
- 3 **Yet Jesus in his teaching described a father's joy
When, at his son's returning, he ran to greet the boy.
O God, when we have hurt you and struggled on our own,
Just like that loving parent, you run to bring us home.**
- 4 **O God, you seek to save us, no matter what the cost;
Our Father, your intention is no one will be lost.
As Jesus called you "Abba," and trusted in your plans,
We trust in you to guide us! Our lives are in your hands.**
- 5 **You hold your children's future when all will be made new.
Your house has many dwellings so we may live with you.
Just like a loving father, you answer when we pray.
In thanks, may we your children now follow you each day.**

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***Charge and
Benediction**

Solo

Philip P. Bliss (1838-1876)

When peace like a river attended my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll,
whatever my lot, thou has taught me to say,
it is well, it is well, with my soul.

It is well with my soul. It is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
let this blest assurance control,
that Christ hath regarded my helpless estate,
and hath shed his own blood for my soul.

It is well with my soul. It is well, it is well with my soul.

He lives: O the bliss of this glorious thought.
my sin, not in part but the whole,
is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

It is well with my soul. It is well, it is well with my soul.

Lord, hasten the day when my faith shall be sight,
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
the trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend;
even so, it is well with my soul

It is well with my soul. It is well, it is well with my soul.

Horatio C. Spafford (1828-1888)

Postlude

Sam Cheng, organist

*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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on Our Corner, in Our City, and in the World**



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Can the Camera See You?

Our on-line congregation enjoys seeing those of us who worship in person. Might you consider sitting closer to the front of the church so they can see your smiling presence?

Today’s Liturgy

Today’s liturgy is based on texts by PC(USA) pastor, the Reverend Thom Shuman.

Today’s Coffee Hour

Tom Culp has given today’s coffee hour to celebrate June birthdays!

Old First Staffs the Interfaith Food Pantry, This Saturday

Members of Old First and St Luke’s combine to staff the Interfaith Food Pantry this Saturday, June 22. To sign up simply use the QR-Code to the right.



4th Saturday Community Dinner, This Saturday

This month’s 4th Saturday Community Dinner takes place this Saturday, June 22. Can you help serve the meal and feast with our guests at the dinner? Volunteers are welcomed from 4:30 pm on. Let us know you can help: 4thsaturdaydinners@oldfirst.org

Food Bank Barrel Challenge, June 2024

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 23 and 30, bring canned meats and tuna.

No glass containers please!

Mark Your Calendar: Pride Day, June 30

If you’re interested in walking or riding in the gay pride parade June 30 this is the please let pastor Maggi know this Sunday.



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 16

After Worship Coffee Hour
7:15 pm AA Friendly Circle, Fellowship Hall

Monday June 17

4:00 pm Finance Committee, On-Line

Tuesday June 18

7:00 pm Worship Committee, On-Line

Saturday June 22

9:00 am Interfaith Food Pantry, Fellowship Hall
5:15 pm 4th Saturday Community Dinner, Fellowship Hall

Sunday June 23

11:00 am Worship
After Worship Coffee Hour
7:15 pm AA Friendly Circle, Fellowship Hall

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The Reverend Maggi Henderson Pastor and Moderator
The Reverend Erwin C. Barron Parish Associate
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