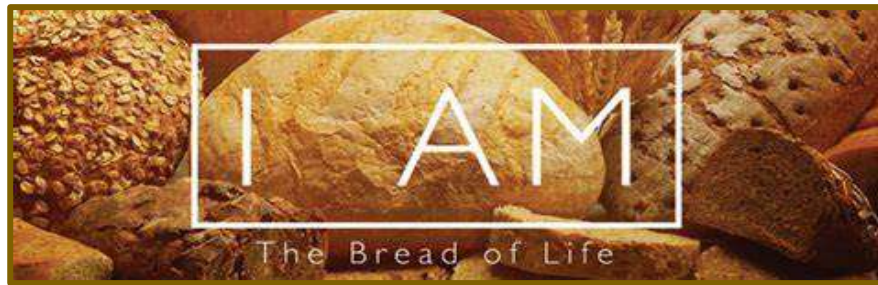


Old First Presbyterian Church



Sunday, August 11, 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 Partita on HYMN TO JOY Charles Callahan (1951-2023)

Welcome and Church Life

Introit

Nederlandsch Gedenck-Clanck, 1626
Harmonized by Eduard Kremser (1838-1914)
Michael Desnoyers, tenor

With voices united our praises we offer
and gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.
With you, Lord, beside us, your strong arm will guide us.
To you, our great Redeemer, forever be praise!

Julia C. Cory (1882-1963)

*Call to Worship

Leader Out of the depths I cry to you, O God:
People **We hunger for the bread of Jesus, the bread of life,
and we thirst for you, O God.**
Leader O God, hear my voice!
Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!
People **We hunger for the bread of Jesus, the bread of life,
and we thirst for you, O God.**
Leader There is forgiveness with you and I wait for you, O God.
My soul waits for you.
People **We hunger for the bread of Jesus, the bread of life,
and we thirst for you, O God.**

Sidney Hollar

Leader In your words I hope. My soul waits for you, O God,
more than those who watch for the morning,
more than those who watch for the morning:

People **We hunger for the bread of Jesus, the bread of life,
and we thirst for you, O God.**

***Hymn 611 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore thee**

1 Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of Glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day.

2 All thy works with joy surround thee;
Earth and heaven reflect thy rays;
stars and angels sing around thee,
center of unbroken praise
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain,
call us to rejoice in thee.

3 Mortals, join the happy chorus
which the morning stars began.
Love divine is reigning o'er us,
joining all in heaven's plan.
Ever singing, march we onward,
victors in the midst of strife.
Joyful music leads us sunward
in the triumph song of life.

Prayer of
Confession

Sidney Hollar

O God, you invite us to feast at your table,
and we reject your invitation.
You call us to taste your goodness,
and we turn away to other gods.
You command us to share your bounty with others,
and we consume at the expense of our neighbors.
For those of us who are hungry, O God, give bread.
And for those of us who have bread,
give us a hunger for justice and righteousness;
through Jesus Christ, the bread of life, we pray. Amen.

***Assurance of Forgiveness**

Leader Jesus promised:
“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for justice and righteousness,
for they will be filled.”

People **Whoever eats of this bread will live forever.
In Christ’s name we are sustained
in this life and in the life to come.**

***Hymn 586**

Jacques Berthier (1923-1994)

The image shows a musical score for Hymn 586, 'Al-le-lu-ia'. It consists of two systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. The lyrics 'Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia' are written below the treble staff. The music is in 3/4 time and has a key signature of one flat (B-flat).

Offering

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



Solo

I Am the Bread of Life Music and Text by Susanne Toolan (born 1927)
Michael Desnoyers, tenor

“I am the bread of life.
You who come to me shall not hunger,
and who believes in me shall not thirst.
No one can come to me unless the Father beckons.
“And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up on the last day.”

“The bread that I will give
is my flesh for the life of the world,
and if you eat of this bread,
you shall live for ever, you shall live for ever.
“And I will raise you up...”

“Unless you eat
of the flesh of the Son of Man
and drink of his blood,
and drink of his blood, you shall not have life within you.
“And I will raise you up...”

“I am the resurrection,
I am the life.
If you believe in me
even though you die, you shall live forever.
“And I will raise you up...”

“Yes, Lord, I believe
that you are the Christ,
the Son of God,
who has come into the world.
“And I will raise you up...”

***Doxology** OLD HUNDREDTH
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

**Prayers of
the People**

Saundra Keyes

Prayer Tracy Clagett, Austin Coffee and Amanda Roncaglia, Tom Culp and
Partners Charlie Wagner, Eva DeLair, James Brown and Isaac Browndelair

**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

Psalm 78:23-29 (page 509); John 6:24-35 (page 92)

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 Responding to God's Word

***Hymn 734 Hope of the World**

- 1 Hope of the world, thou Christ of great compassion:
speak to our fearful hearts by conflict rent;
save us, thy people, from consuming passion,
who buy our own false hopes and aim are spent.
- 2 Hope of the world, God's gift from highest heaven,
bringing to hungry souls, the bread of life:
still let thy spirit unto us be given
to heal earth's wounds and our bitter strife.
- 3 Hope of the world, afoot on dusty highways,
showing to wandering souls the path of light:
walk thou beside us lest the tempting byways
lure us away from thee to endless night.
- 4 Hope of the world, who by thy cross didst save us
from death and deep despair, from sin and guilt:
we render back the love thy mercy gave us;
take out our lives and use them as the wilt.
- 5 Hope of the world, O Christ, o'er death victorious,
who by this sign didst conquer grief and pain:
we would be faithful to the gospel glorious;
thou art our Lord! Thou dost forever reign!

***Charge and
Benediction**

Solo

Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)
Adapt. Parker's Whole Psalter, 1561
Michael Desnoyers, tenor

Go with us, Lord, and guide the way
through this and every coming day,
that in your Spirit strong and true,
our lives may be our gift to you.

Mary Jackson Cathy (1926-2016)

Postlude

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Hal H. Hopson (born 1933)

*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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Today's Liturgy

Today's call to worship is from *Spiritual Hunger and Thirst for God* by the Reverend Bonnie Tarwater.

Today's Coffee Hour

Today's coffee hour has been given by Randy Smith and Andrea Segura Smith to celebrate their 16th wedding anniversary on August 16.

Office Admin on Vacation, Through August 16

Old First's office admin, Brad Peterson, is out of the office for vacation through Friday, August 16. During this time, his voice-mail and E-mail will be checked intermittently for any immediate needs that arise; otherwise, he will catch up with all other messages upon his return.

Lord's Supper, August 18

Next Sunday we will again celebrate the Lord's Supper at Old First Presbyterian Church.

Old First 175th Anniversary Potluck, August 18

Continuing our observance of Old First Presbyterian Church's 175th Anniversary year, we will be hosting two more potluck luncheons after church on August 18 and September 15, as well as a catered lunch/major party on October 27.

For this month, please plan on joining us in socializing with your Old First family and start thinking about what you'd most like to bring on August 18. As is usual with a potluck, we ask that you bring one or more favorite foods to share: that might be appetizers, casseroles, a chicken or meat platter, miscellaneous salads, hot or cold side dishes, desserts and/or a few beverages. (Wine is allowed.) Let's get together again and have a loving good time celebrating our 175th!



If you *can* come, please RSVP to Sarah Taber – sarah@sstaber.com – to say how many are coming and what all you can bring. (More than one item will be welcomed!) Your RSVP will help greatly in assessing what foods may be needed to supplement and round-out the meal with foods that are already promised!

Presbytery of SF Meets at Old First, August 20

Old First Presbyterian Church has the honor of hosting the meeting of the Presbytery of San Francisco on Tuesday, August 20. The meeting will start at 2:00 pm, and we will need lots of people to be greeters, helpers, and ushers. Mark your calendar now to help. Speak with Pastor Maggi to volunteer!

Old First Staffs the Food Pantry, August 24

Members of Old First and St Luke's combine to staff the Interfaith Food Pantry on Saturday, August 24. Mark your calendars now. To sign up simply use the QR-Code to the right.



4th Saturday Community Dinner, August 24

This month's 4th Saturday Community Dinner takes place Saturday, August 24. 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

Coffee Hour

Would you like to support our life together by sponsoring Sunday coffee hour? There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Sacramento Street lobby. Choose a date, add your name and 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 August 11

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

Friday August 16

8:00 pm O1C: The Zelos Saxophone Quartet

Saturday August 17

9:00 am Interfaith Food Pantry, Ground Floor
1:00 pm Presbyterian Women, On-Line
8:00 pm O1C: Motoko Honda's Simple Excesses Quartet: piano, woodwinds, bass, drums

Sunday August 18

11:00 am Worship
After Worship Potluck Luncheon
7:15 pm AA Friendly Circle, Fellowship Hall

Monday August 19

4:00 pm Finance Committee, On-Line

Tuesday August 20

2:00 pm Presbytery of San Francisco, Sanctuary & Ground Floor

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