

JUST A FEW THINGS WE WANT YOU TO KNOW

We are a family church. We understand when children make noise or fuss, so please relax. We want you to enjoy the service! We have a wonderful nursery for babies, located on the second floor of the Main Building. Although we are grateful for any offering (large or small), please do not feel obligated to contribute if you just are visiting. Please silence your cell phones during the service. If you need assistance or directions, please don't hesitate to ask one of our ushers at the back of the sanctuary. Once again, we are very happy to have you here with us today, and we hope you feel the warmth of our community.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Deacons: One of our Jobs For Life students just has completed an extensive dental procedure. Please pray for her successful healing and adjustment to the changes in her mouth. Also, please pray that the students, mentors, and Bridges of Love staff will be blessed by God's love this Christmas.

Gloria Basden – My 12-year-old friend, **Aiyanna**, is not able to have another heart transplant. Please pray for her, as they keep her as comfortable as possible. Pray for her family.

PRAYER AFTER THE SERVICE

Members of the prayer team will be available today to pray with you after the service. They will be at the front of the sanctuary near the piano and are available to pray with individuals or small groups to express praises or concerns. Prayer team members are Debbie Hopen, Marion Morford, and Matt Pickard.

PRAYER MEETING

Tuesday, Jan. 8, Prayer Room, from 11:00 AM to Noon. Come pray with us for the ministries God has given our church. We hope you can join us! For more information, contact Sonja West at sonja@nutley.org or Steve Franzke at stev Franzke@gmail.com.

FOCUS ON MISSIONS

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Christmas offering for our missionaries. The money is divided among all our church supported singles and families for a Blessed Christmas. Pray that God will guide them as they make plans for their ministry in the new year.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

In memory of Ardean Boyd, loving wife of Jim Boyd, mother of Jennifer and Steve Rich, and grammie of Claire, Katie, and Alison Rich.

Lead Pastor: Eric Jacobsen **Assisting:** Matt Pickard
Minister of Worship: Daniel Perrin **Worship Assistant:** Jon Hillstead
Organist: Patrice Barnett **Worship Band**
Prayer of Illumination/Scripture Reading: Tim Trussler
Sermon: Dan O'Connor
Offertory: Gwen Trussler
Prayer: Eric Jacobsen **Announcements:** Jenn Jensen
Audio/Video: Steve Richards, Chip Van Gilder, and Drew Smith
Cover Design: Torin Holmes

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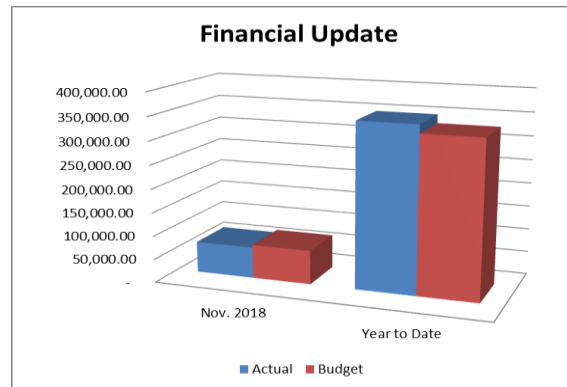
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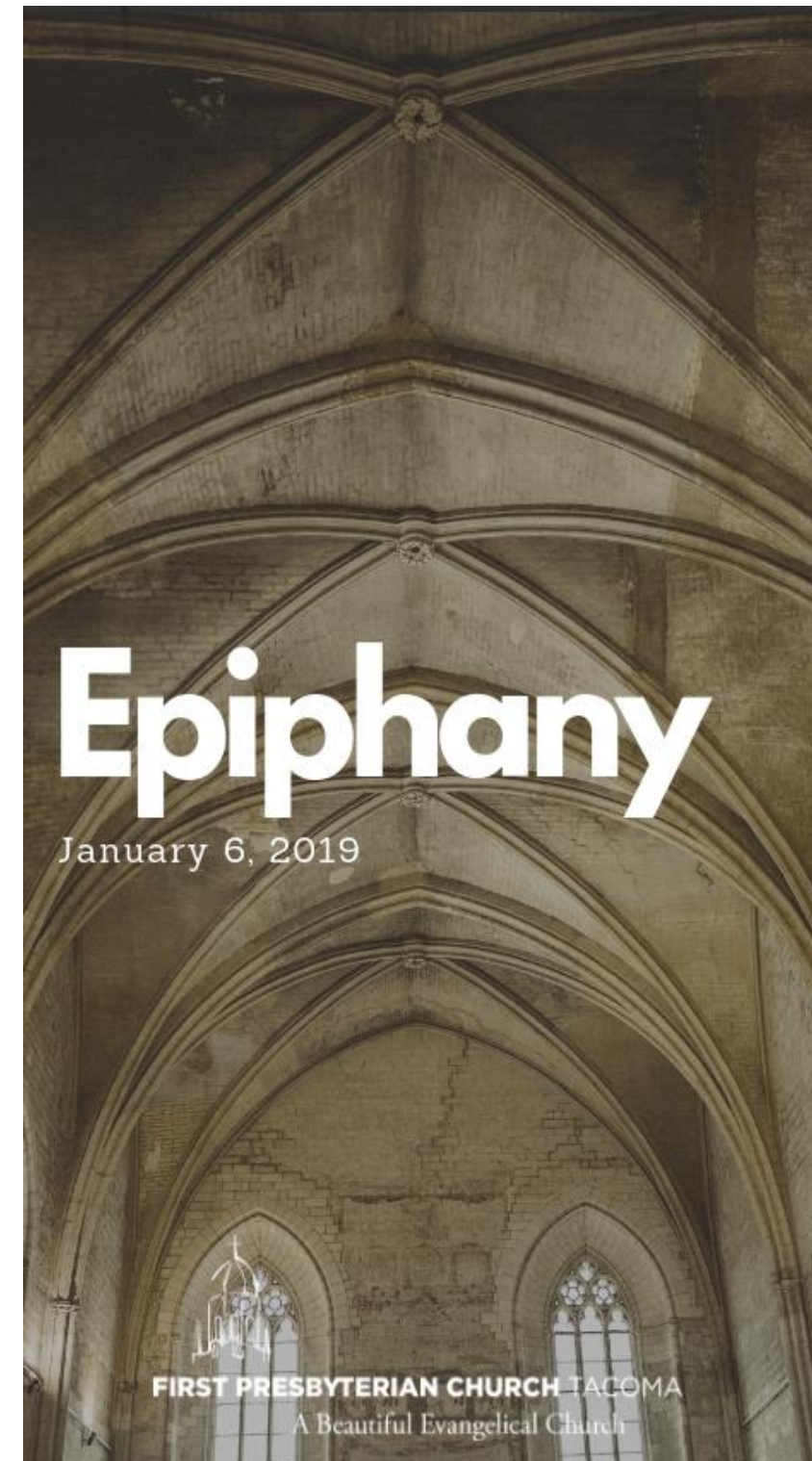
CHURCH OFFICE INFORMATION

(253)-272-3286 20 Tacoma Avenue South, Tacoma, WA 98402

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM (closed on Fridays)



	Nov. 2018	Fiscal YTD
FPC Income—Budget	\$72,608	\$332,191
FPC Income—Actual	\$66,762	\$350,271
Difference	(\$5,846)	\$18,080



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH TACOMA

January 6, 2019

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude	“O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright”
Call to Worship	Matthew 2:10, 11
Opening Hymn #202*	“As with Gladness Men of Old”
Confession/Assurance of Pardon	
Gloria Patri #142*	
Welcome	
Passing of the Peace*	
Worship Songs*	“We Three Kings” “Bring Forth the Kingdom of God” “The Steadfast Love of the Lord”

HEARING THE WORD

Prayer of Illumination	
Scripture Reading	Luke 20:45-21:4
Sermon	“First Things First”

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Tithes and Offering	
Offertory	“Elohai, N'tzor”
Prayer	
Announcements	

SENDING INTO THE WORLD

Closing Hymn #507*	“Come, All Christians, Be Committed”
Benediction	
Sending	
Postlude	“Three Kings of Orient”

INFORMATION AND EVENTS

Family room with audio/video is available in Ferguson Chapel.

Ask an usher for the directions.

ALPHA IS COMING IN JANUARY!

Sunday, Jan. 20, 6:00 PM. Got questions about God? Never really understood Christianity? Alpha was designed for you or anyone curious about the Christian faith. Invite a friend and join us for our Alpha Intro Night. For additional details or to RSVP, go to the Connect tab on our app or fpctacoma.org/alpha.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday, Jan. 8, 7:00 PM, South Chapel

Wednesday, Jan. 9, 9:00 AM, South Chapel (childcare available)

Join us for “The Faithful: Heroes of the Old Testament,” a DVD and workbook study. Strengthen your faith as you walk alongside these larger-than-life figures, who all chose to obey God no matter the circumstances. Books are \$20 and will be available today, Jan.6 in Fellowship Hall. For more information, please contact Mary Hagel at maryhagel@netventure.com

LYDIA FELLOWSHIP

Tuesday, Jan. 15, Olive Branch Café and Tea Room, Noon

We will meet together and have a delicious lunch. We would love to have you join us for a time of fellowship and prayer. Contact Rita Martin at 253-472-0973.

WINTER SMALL GROUPS

Small groups are a great way to get connected and deepen your faith! It's not a huge commitment - groups begin the last week of January and finish before Easter. We have a variety of locations, times, and studies to choose from. Stop by our table in Fellowship Hall for more information or to register. Online registration opens soon at: fpctacoma.org/smallgroups. You may also contact Michelle Martinez at mmartinez@fpctacoma.org.

FIRST PRES PRESCHOOL AUCTION - “REACH FOR THE STARS”

Friday, Feb. 8, Historic 1625 Tacoma Place, 6:00 PM. Purchase tickets for this fun evening in support of a good cause. Proceeds benefit Growth and Development, Tuition Assistance, and the Greater Teacher Fund. Tickets are \$45 per person. For more information go to <https://fpcschool.ejoinme.org/2019FPPAuction>.

WOMEN'S RETREAT

Friday and Saturday, Feb. 22-23. Save the date for the 2019 Women's Retreat. Hollylu Coon will be the speaker! Registration starts TODAY, in Fellowship Hall. \$60 on or before Feb 9, \$70 after. \$10 discount for first-timers!

FPC KIDS' MINISTRY

We partnered with MOPS to ring in the New Year this year with a larger-than-life Family Game Morning! Over 75 kids and their families celebrated New Year's Eve together by playing over-sized games, romping in a 30-foot-long inflatable obstacle course and counting down to midnight...at NOON! (So all those little people and parents could go to bed early!) A big thanks to all the parents and kids who helped make it amazing including the Kohlers, the Moyers, Mike Johnson and his grandkids, Ian Martinez, Delaney & Skylar Mitchell, and the rest of the FPC staff!

WEEKLY EVENT CALENDAR

Sunday, Jan. 6

9:15 AM: Sunday School for All Ages

10:30 AM: Worship Service

Monday, Jan.7

4:30 PM: Promise Keepers, Prayer Room

Tuesday, Jan. 8

Deadline for bulletin items

9:00 AM: Faith Yoga, South Chapel

11:00 AM: Prayer meeting, Prayer Room

7:00 PM: Women's Bible Study, S. Chapel

Wednesday, Jan. 9

9:00 AM: Women's Bible Study, S. Chapel

5:00 PM: Jobs for Life, S. Chapel

Middle School Youth Group

6:30 PM: Youth Dinner

7:00 PM: High School Youth Group

Chancel Choir

Thursday, Jan. 10

9:00 AM, MOPS, South Chapel

Friday, Jan. 11

Church office closed.

7:30 PM: AA, Gold Room

Saturday, Jan. 12

4:00 PM: AA, South Chapel

Sunday, Jan. 13

Communion

9:15 AM: Sunday School for All Ages

10:30 AM: Worship Service

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sundays, Jan. 6-Mar. 3, 9:15 AM, South Chapel

This class is based on a DVD lecture series entitled "How We Got the Bible" taught by Timothy Paul Jones, PhD and supplemented by another DVD series on the same topic taught by Ryan M. Reeves PhD. It will finish with a viewing of the upcoming movie "Fragments of Truth" hosted by Craig Evans, PhD. Discussion facilitated by Matt Pickard.

BIBLE MEMORY

Immerse yourself in God's word. Bible Memory recitation begins on Sunday, Jan. 13. For more information, please visit us in Fellowship Hall.

DAILY BIBLE READING

Do you want to read the Bible every day? The new year is a good time to start! There are several daily Bible reading plans available in the church library in Fellowship Hall. You can pick one up for free! Please come by and take a look.

BUILDING OUR A/V TEAM

Have you always wanted to help out with the Sunday morning worship service but don't like being front and center? We have an opportunity for you! We are looking to add members to our A/V team, which sets up the microphones for the musicians, runs the sound, Microsoft® PowerPoint® during the service, and operates the cameras that feed Ferguson Chapel and the choir loft. No experience is needed; training will be provided. For more information or to sign up, please contact Aaron Byers at abyers@fpctacoma.org or phone the church office.

***PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE.**