

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

Please pray for **Bob Gorham** and his continued healing after surgery.

Praise for **Ginger Jenkins** whose recent shoulder surgery went well.

Pray for guidance for the Cor Deo School as they continue to grow.

FOCUS ON MISSIONS

We have enjoyed learning more about the ministry of Brendan and Erin Connally while they were on home assignment. They are returning to Peru to continue with their orality translation and dental work. Please pray that God will help them readjust to their life there quickly.

FOR TACOMA

Join us in praying for Sport Clips Haircuts of Tacoma. They celebrate their two-year anniversary next month. May their business flourish, and may God bless the employees and customers.

WORDS OF THANKS

Thank you for all your prayers and support through this difficult time after Terry's passing. It means more than you'll ever know. Pat Henderson

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Lead Pastor: Eric Jacobsen **Assisting:** John West

Minister of Worship: Daniel Perrin **Worship Assistant:** Jon Hillstead

Organist: Patrice Barnett

Introit: Chancel Choir

Worship Band

Prayer of Illumination/Scripture Reader: Betty McCartney

Sermon: Eric Jacobsen

Offertory: Chancel Choir

Prayer: Jerry Heath

Audio/Video: Steve Richards, Chip Van Gilder **Cover Design:** Torin Holmes

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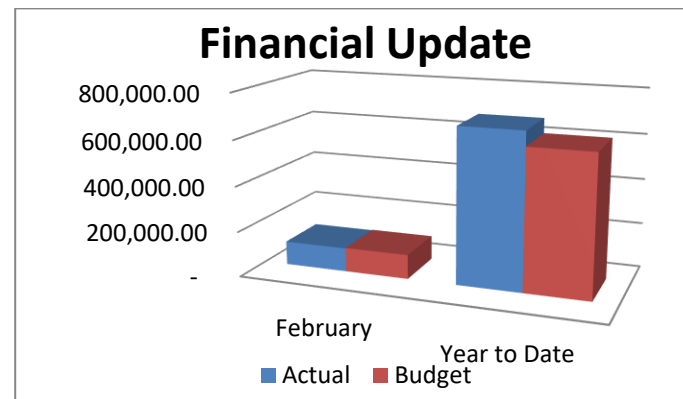
CHURCH WEBSITE: www.fpctacoma.org

For our e-blast emails, sign up online via our website by clicking on the **E-News Sign Up** button.

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).



	February	Year to Date
FPC Income - Budget	107,122	616,953
FPC Income - Actual	105,047	681,770
Difference	(2,075)	64,817

Financial Update - Giving remains strong as we move into the 2nd half of our fiscal year. Thank you for your faithful support of God's work through the FPC. Aaron Byers, Dir. of Operations



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH TACOMA

March 24, 2019

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude	“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”
Introit	“Christ, We Do All Adore Thee”
Call to Worship	
Opening Hymn #260*	“And Can It Be That I Should Gain?”
Confession/Assurance of Pardon	
Gloria Patri #142*	
Welcome	
Passing of the Peace*	
Worship Songs*	“Are You Washed in the Blood?” “I Will Sing” “Jesus, Draw Me Ever Nearer”

Kids are dismissed to Kids' Church.

HEARING THE WORD

Prayer of Illumination	
Scripture Reading	Luke 23:26-43
Sermon	“Responding to Jesus”

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Tithes and Offering	
Offertory	“Jesus Paid It All”
Prayer	
Minute for Mission	Guatemalan Mission Trip

Announcements

SENDING INTO THE WORLD

Closing Hymn*	“I Will Sing of My Redeemer”
Benediction*	
Sending	
Postlude	“Lamb of God”

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

INFORMATION AND EVENTS

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

Ask an usher for the directions.

FOURTH SUNDAY FOR TACOMA

Today is our Fourth Sunday FOR Tacoma. We encourage you to continue praying for your adopted location and thinking of ways you might be a blessing to the people associated with it. To learn more about FOR Tacoma or to adopt a location, pick up a flyer at one of our Connect Stations.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL - “LIVING INTO YOUR CALLING”

Sundays, 9:15 AM, South Chapel

Come explore ways we can discover and say “yes” to our calling to God’s kingdom mission in the world. Today, Lance Kagey will be interviewed about how he has discovered his calling, and next week we’ll hear from Michelle Rowland.

GUATAMALA MISSION TRIP REPORT

Please come to Middleton today, following the service to hear Leah Browning and Shannon Pressley share about their trip to beautiful Guatemala and their adventure in sharing Jesus.

EASTER OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE ON MISSION – SIGN UP TODAY

Easter Sunday is a beautiful celebration of Christ’s resurrection. It’s also a good opportunity to be missionally minded and volunteer to serve on a day when we typically have many visitors. We have several jobs to fill breakfast servers, extra childcare workers, extra greeters, etc. Come sign up in Fellowship Hall today after the service!

DEACONS’ EASTER BASKETS

Please support the Deacons' annual Easter Basket program to supply healthy meals for needy families in Tacoma. Make a cash donation and/or volunteer to deliver baskets by visiting the Deacons' Table in Fellowship Hall after the service or by placing your check, marked “Easter Baskets” on the memo line, in the collection plate. To learn more or if you know a family in need, please drop by the Deacons' Table or contact Sheila McEvilly at sheilamcevilly@outlook.com. The baskets will be going out Apr. 13.

COMMUNION CLASS FOR KIDS

Sunday, Apr. 17, Noon.

Join Pastor Eric to learn why and how we take communion as believers at First Presbyterian Church. Open for kids ages 8-12. Pizza lunch will be provided! RSVP by Apr. 3 to Julie Brownlee at jbrownlee@fpctacoma.org.

BE A VOLUNTEER AT VBS!

June 24-28th. Help make our biggest summer outreach a big success! We have a spot for all ages and talents. Sign up to today in Fellowship Hall or at www.fpctacoma.org. We are also accepting donations: \$25 sends one child to VBS, \$10 will pay for a group's crafts! Registration for kids begins on Apr. 11.

WEEKLY EVENT CALENDAR

Sunday, Mar. 24

9:15 AM: Sunday School for all ages
9:15 AM: Bible Memory recitation
10:30 AM: Worship Service
11:30 AM: Bible Memory recitation
6:00 PM Alpha

Monday, Mar. 25

4:30 PM: Promise Keepers, Prayer Room
6:30 PM: Love and Logic, Gold Room

Tuesday, Mar. 26

Deadline for bulletin items

9:00 AM: Faith Yoga, Middleton
11:00 AM: Prayer Meeting, Prayer Room
7:00 PM: Women’s Bible Study

Wednesday, Mar. 27

9:00 AM: Women’s Bible Study
5:15 PM: Middle School Youth Group

Wednesday, Mar. 27 continued

5:30 PM: Lindsey Bells, Middleton
6:30 PM: Youth Dinner
7:00 PM: High School Youth Group
7:00 PM: Chapel Bells, Middleton
7:00 PM: Chancel Choir

Thursday, Mar. 28

6:15 AM: Men’s Bible Study
9:00 AM: MOPS

Friday, Mar. 29

Church office closed.

7:30 PM: AA, Gold Room

Saturday, Mar. 30

4:00 PM: AA, South Chapel

Sunday, Mar. 31

9:15 AM: Sunday School for all ages
10:30 AM: Worship Service

PRIME TIMERS 55+

Friday, Apr. 5, 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM, South Chapel.

Are you interested in having a fun time? Ready for yummy food and good company? Come join our group for a casual potluck and game/fellowship time. Bring a dish to share and your favorite game(s). Come as you are. Warning: There will be laughing!

LADIES FELLOWSHIP

Tuesday, Apr. 2, 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM, Middleton

All women are invited. The program will inform us about Care Net Pregnancy and Family Services, one of the local mission agencies our church supports. There is a \$6 charge for lunch, which will be served at noon. If you are not on the regular calling list, please call the church office for a reservation.

BRIEF CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, Mar. 31, immediately following the service.

There will be a very brief congregational meeting to elect a Trustee.

WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays, 7:00 PM or Wednesdays, 9:00 AM, South Chapel (childcare Wed.) Women's Bible Study is continuing with the “Faithful, Heroes of the Old Testament”, through March. Our last meeting in March will be a celebration meal and introduction to the next study. We will begin on Apr. 9 and 10 with our new study, “Finding I Am,” with Lysa Terkeurst teaching from Israel. All women are welcome. Contact Mary Hagel at maryhagel@nventure.com.

MEN’S BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays, 6:15 AM, Gold Room

Contact Terry Forslund at (253) 318-6914 or taforslund@yahoo.com.