

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

FOCUS ON MISSIONS

Barry and Jan Potter continue in Colorado at the headquarters for Overseas Missionary Fellowship. Barry has been the acting president until recently, when the new president was installed. Please pray God's direction in what his next responsibility will be.

FOR TACOMA

Today we are praying for all the men and women working construction projects around our neighborhood. We pray for their safety and health. We pray for the companies they represent. May we show them Christ's love and patience during this time of road closures and detours.

THANK YOU FOR PRAYING!

Bob Gorham - Thank you for your prayers, cards, and visits after my hip surgery. I am happy to be back in my home as of Mar. 26.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

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 Reader: Anna Heath

Sermon: Eric Jacobsen

Offertory: Michael & Merideth Marano, with the Chancel Choir

Prayer: Sonja West

Announcements: Michelle Martinez

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

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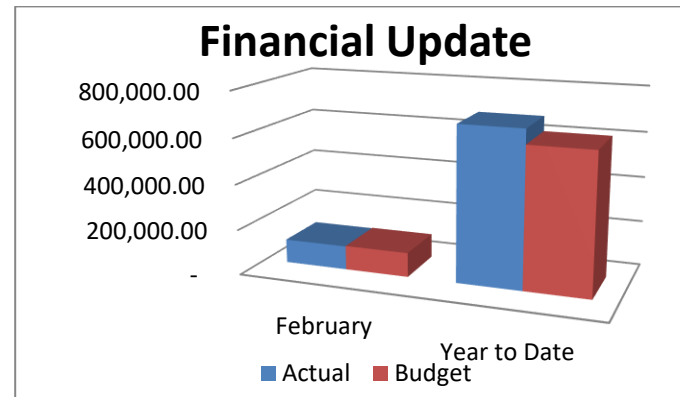
CHURCH WEBSITE: www.fpctacoma.org

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 First Presbyterian Church. Aaron Byers, Dir. of Operations



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH TACOMA

March 31, 2019

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude	“Jesus, Lover of My Soul”
Call to Worship	Daniel 7: 13, 14
Opening Hymn #232*	“Join All the Glorious Names”
Confession/Assurance of Pardon	
Doxology #382*	
Welcome	
Passing of the Peace*	
Worship Songs*	“I Will Sing” “Come to Save Us” “Living Hope”

Kids are dismissed to Kids' Church.

HEARING THE WORD

Prayer of Illumination	
Scripture Reading	Luke 23:44-49
Sermon	“Good News in Disguise”

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Tithes and Offering	
Offertory	“He Is”
Prayer	
Announcements	

SENDING INTO THE WORLD

Closing Hymn #262*	“The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power”
Benediction*	
Sending	
Postlude	“In the Cross of Christ I Glory”

Members, please stay in the sanctuary for a very brief congregational meeting to elect a trustee immediately following the Postlude.

***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.

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, Michelle Rowland will be interviewed about how she has discovered her calling, and next week we’ll hear from Steve Welty.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR EASTER

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. Sign up on line or contact Carol Heath, Volunteer Coordinator, 253-831-3651.

DEACONS’ EASTER BASKETS

Please support the Deacons' annual Easter Basket program to supply healthy meals for families in need 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. 7, Noon, Middleton

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@fpc_tacoma.org.

CAMP MCCULLOUGH REGISTRATION

Register your child/children for camp online beginning Thursday, Apr. 11

MEMORIAL TEAM VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Sign up to be part of one or more of the newly forming Memorial Teams today in Fellowship Hall. Opportunities vary from set up, greeting/ushering, and baking. Join us as we serve members of our church who are grieving the loss of a loved one. For more information contact Jennifer Rich at 253-720-3739 or jenniferrichrd@hotmail.com.

SIGN UP FOR VBS AND VOLUNTEER

June 24-28th. Help make our biggest summer outreach a success! Sign up online at www.fpc_tacoma.org. Registration for kids begins on Apr. 11 on the FPC website.

WORSHIP BAND WELCOMES MUSICIANS

The worship band always welcomes musicians. If you are a musician, whether age 14 or 99 or somewhere in between, we would love to have you! Practices are on Tuesdays from 7:30-8:30 PM in the sanctuary. Contact Jon Hillstead at jonrhillstead@gmail.com if interested or have questions.

WEEKLY EVENT CALENDAR

Sunday, Mar. 31

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, Apr. 1

4:30 PM: Promise Keepers, Prayer Room

Tuesday, Apr. 2

Deadline for bulletin items

9:00 AM: Faith Yoga, Middleton

11:00 AM: Prayer Meeting, Prayer Room

7:00 PM: No Women’s Bible Study

Wednesday, Apr. 3

9:00 AM: No Women’s Bible Study

5:15 PM: No Middle School Youth Group

Wednesday, Apr. 3 continued

6:00 PM: Lindsey Bells, Middleton

*Note time change

6:30 PM: No Youth Dinner

7:00 PM: No High School Youth Group

7:00 PM: No Chapel Bells, Middleton

7:00 PM: Chancel Choir

Thursday, Apr. 4

6:15 AM: Men’s Bible Study

Friday, Apr. 5

Church office closed.

7:30 PM: AA, Gold Room

Saturday, Apr. 6

4:00 PM: AA, South Chapel

Sunday, Apr. 7

9:15 AM: Sunday School for all ages

10:30 AM: Worship Service

11:30 AM: Brief Congregational Meeting

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!

EASTER MEMORIAL TULIPS

Remember a loved one this Easter by purchasing a potted tulip plant. These will be displayed on Easter morning. There will be an insert in the bulletin with all the memorials; the wording on top of the insert will read "In Loving Memory." Come to the table in Fellowship Hall after the service to sign up and contribute \$15 per pot. The deadline for ordering is Apr. 15.

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.

WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY – NEW STUDY

Tuesdays, 7:00 PM or Wednesdays, 9:00 AM, South Chapel (childcare Wed.)

We will not meet during Spring Break (Apr.1-5) but 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@netventure.com

BRIEF CONGREGATIONAL MEETING - SANCTUARY

Today, Mar. 31, immediately following the service to elect a trustee.