

Prelude *Kerry Gruizenga, pianist*

Welcome and Announcements: *Please sign the friendship pad*

***Call to Worship:**

Leader: Let all that have breath, praise the Lord;

People: Let all that have life, praise the Lord;

Leader: May we praise you with our heart, soul, and mind.

All: Let us draw together to praise the Lord.

***Opening Song** *“This Is the Air I Breathe”*

***Prayer of Confession (In Unison)** *Jonna Mandeville*

Holy God, we bow before you this morning thanking you for the gift of this day. So often we run through each day, from one activity to the next, without pausing to consider what a gift life truly is. Help to slow down and discover the joy that comes in living, the love that comes in sharing, and the hope that comes through Jesus our Lord. We thank you and praise you for the gift of life that is offered to us through Jesus Christ.

(Please continue in silent personal confession)

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Song # 2203** *“In His Time”*

Passing the Peace of Christ

L: May the peace of Christ be with you. All: And also with you.

Children’s Time

Prayer for Illumination *Jonna Mandeville*

Old Testament Scripture: Psalm 139:1-14 *pg. 577*

New Testament Scripture: Mark 1:14-20 *pg. 35*

Sermon Series: “New: Developing a New Relationship with God”
Part 2: A New Relationship

***Song of Response** *“All Who Are Thirsty”*

Worshipping God With Our Offerings

The Offertory

***The Doxology** *pg. 592*

***Prayer of Dedication**

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer (Debts/Debtors)

***Closing Song # 2130** *“The Summons”*

***Benediction**

***Postlude** *Kerry Gruizenga, pianist*

*** Indicates to stand, if able and comfortable.**

Series: “New: Developing a Renewed Relationship with God”

<i>Date</i>	<i>Theme</i>	<i>Scripture</i>
January 17	A New Relationship	Mark 1:14-20
January 24	A New Teaching	Mark 1:21-34
January 31	A New Strength	Mark 1:35-45
February 7	A New Understanding	Mark 2:1-12
February 14	A New Attitude	Mark 2:18-22

Announcements

Sunday school: Join Pastor Dave on Sunday mornings as he continues his series, *What a Friend: Getting to Know Jesus Through the Gospel of John*. This seven week series is being held in the Fireside Room on Sunday mornings at 9:15 AM. Dave is helping us see how Jesus was a friend to many and how we are called to extend friendship to others. This class is being held in person and also online at facebook.com/fpcbillings.

ReFuel Groups will resume this week. If you would like to join a group for the next six week session, we will find a group for you. We will have two groups meeting on Sunday evenings at 6, a group on Mondays at 2, a group on Tuesdays at 1, and a Zoom group on Tuesdays at 11. We will continue our journey through the New Testament book of 1 Peter. We will love to add more to these groups as a way to draw closer to God and one another. Talk to Pastor Dave if interested.

Annual Congregational Meeting will be held after worship on Sunday, January 31. Join us either live or on Zoom for this meeting where we will elect new elders and deacons, review reports from 2020, and look at the 2021 budget. The Zoom link will be sent out closer to the meeting date.

Per-Capita Mission: If you would like to pay your portion of the per-capita mission budget, we would appreciate it. \$55 is paid per member of our church to support the ongoing work and mission of our Presbytery, Synod, and General Assembly. You can simply write a check and indicate on the memo line, "Per capita" or you can give online as well. Thanks!

Grief Support Group will be meeting this Tuesday at 10:00 AM in the conference room. Facilitated by Dr. Don Harr, this group meets twice a month to provide support and encouragement to those facing grief and loss.

Staying Encouraged: Our church is here to help you through this pandemic. Pastor Dave, Stephen Ministers, and Deacons are available to talk, pray, or read scripture with you via the telephone or in person. Feel free to use these resources as we want to help and encourage one another.

Pledge cards for 2021 continue to be received. If you have yet to receive a pledge card, you can pick one up at the church or request that one be mailed to you. Thanks!

Sanctuary flowers this Sunday are given by Carl Harr in memory of Scott: Our flower sign-up sheet for 2021 is now available to designate flowers in memory or honor of someone. Please find the sheet as you enter the sanctuary. Suggested donation is \$25.

Kids' Sunday School: Our children's Sunday school program is being offered on-line. Jaki Harada, a student at MSUB, is putting together a weekly lesson that is being sent out via e-mail.

Giving Mobile App: Check out our mobile giving app. You can simply text [fpcbillings](https://fpcbillings.org) to 77977 and give a one-time gift or set up reoccurring gifts. If you have any questions, you can talk with Jeanne or Pastor Dave. We appreciate your generosity to our ministry!



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January 17, 2021

This Week @ FPC

This Sunday
(January 17)
Sunday school 9:15 AM
Worship 10:30 AM
ReFuel Diesel Group meets in the Fireside Room 6:00 PM
ReFuel High Octane Group meets in Conference Room 6 PM

Monday
Better Together Preschool 9:00 AM
Monday morning work crew 9:00 AM
ReFuel Ethanol Group meets in the Fireside Room 2:00 PM

Tuesday
Men's Bible Study meets in the C & S Room 9:00 AM
Women's Bible Study in the Fireside Room 9:30 AM
Grief Support Group meets in the Conference Room 10 AM
ReFuel Hybrid group meets via Zoom 11:00 AM
ReFuel Nitrous Group meets in the Fireside Room 1:00 PM

Wednesday
Better Together Preschool 9:00 AM
Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) Leader's Meeting 9:00 AM
Mariam Circle meets at the church 9:15 AM
Naomi Circle meets at the church 9:15 AM
Elizabeth Circle meets at the church 1:00 PM
Sarah Circle meets at Barb Eichenberger's home 1:00 PM
Deborah Circle meets via Zoom 5:30 PM
Youth Group for grades 6-12 6 PM
Young Adult Bible Study at Trina White's 7:00 PM

Thursday
Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) 9:00 AM
Congregational Care Team meets in the Fireside Room 12noon

Friday
Better Together Preschool 9:00 AM
Christian Study Group meets in the Fireside Room 10 AM
Church Office is Closed

Sunday
(January 24)
Sunday school 9:15 AM
Worship 10:30 AM
Baptism of Kaden Appelt during worship
ReFuel Diesel Group meets in the Fireside Room 6:00 PM
ReFuel High Octane Group meets in Conference Room 6 PM

Last Sunday: Attendance: 86 Offering: \$8,374

Sermon Helps

Designed to help you get the most out of the sermon
Series: "New: Developing a New Relationship with God"
Part 2 of 6: "A New Relationship"
Mark 1:14-20

A. Developing a Relationship with God:

1. God _____ to be in a relationship with you.
"It is not good for us to be alone." —Genesis 2:18
2. Most people come to faith through a _____ invitation.
"Come and see the works of God." —Psalm 66:5
3. Our relationship with God should take _____ over other things.
"Seek ye first the kingdom of God." —Matthew 6:33
4. There is an _____ to our relationship with God.
"Today is the day of salvation." —2 Corinthians 6:2
5. An incredible _____ awaits us when we follow God.
"The journey on which you go is under the eye of God." —Judges 18:6

B. Thought to Take With You:

*Jesus said, "If anyone is thirsty, let them come to me and drink."
—John 7:37*