



Christ in Us
Part 7—Fruit: The Holy Spirit at Work
Psalm 104:24-35

The Holy Spirit specializes in bringing life where there is none.
- Victor Ehiemere

*I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you
will continue to complete it until the day of Jesus Christ.*
- Philippians 1:6

Welcome, Guests!

Friends,

We are glad you are here with us and hope you sense God's presence in worship today. If there is any way we can be of help to you, don't hesitate to ask. Here are a few of the questions we often hear from our guests when they first visit:

- ~ **How long is the worship service here at Faith?** Our worship services typically run 60 to 70 minutes.
- ~ **How can I introduce myself?** We'd love to meet you after the service; don't hesitate to introduce yourself! You can also visit our webpage (www.faithpresby.org), and click on the "I'm New" tab and then the "Introduce Yourself" button. This is a great way to let the pastoral staff know who you are and how we might welcome and serve you. Also, stop by the Welcome Center on the way out. We have a gift waiting for you there! And if you need a Bible, we can offer you one there as well.
- ~ **I have kids. Are they welcome here?** Absolutely! We love the sounds of children in the sanctuary. During the children's message at the 9:00 a.m. worship service, kids up to 6th grade are invited to come up front to listen in. Having them stay with you to listen is also fine. After the children's message, children are invited down the hall to Room 4 (grades 3 to 6) and Room 5 (Pre-K to 2nd grade) with our children's staff. Nursery care is available throughout the 9:00 a.m. worship service in Room 7.
- ~ **Are there classes for adults?** Yes. Check the bulletin and listen for announcements in worship about upcoming classes. We currently have in-person and online classes.
- ~ **What if I have trouble hearing the service?** If you have difficulty hearing, please ask one of our ushers for a personal receiver for the hearing impaired. Also, a T-Loop hearing-assist system is available in the back four pews on the right side of the sanctuary. Set your hearing aid to the "T" setting.
- ~ **How can I find out more information about Faith?** Feel free to speak to any of us and if we can't answer your questions, we'll find somebody who can. Our website is a great source of information: www.faithpresby.org. Also, *This Week @ Faith* is a weekly email that goes out on Mondays with information about upcoming opportunities and activities. Email Laura Anderson in our office at landerson@faithpresby.org if you'd like to be included on the email distribution list.
- ~ **What if I'm interested in exploring membership or deeper involvement at Faith?** If you'd like to know more about becoming a member at Faith, or want to understand how you can begin or continue to grow in your Christian faith, we encourage you to contact one of our pastors. You can call the church office at (916) 428-3439 or email one of our staff members. (Email addresses are available on our webpage and further on in this bulletin.) We'd love to meet you and find out how we can be of help.

Again, we are glad you are here with us today!

Grace and peace—The People of Faith



Faith Presbyterian Church of Sacramento

PENTECOST

MAY 24, 2026

Order of Worship

✠ *Those who are able, please stand.*

Please silence all electronics before the start of worship.

Prelude

Eunice Bancu; Faith Brass Ensemble (11:00)

Greeting

Brett Shoemaker

One: The Lord be with you!

All: **And also with you!**

✠ Call to Worship (Acts 2:1-4) & Lighting of the Christ Candles

Liam Ndichu (9:00)

Josh Chand (11:00)

✠ Song of Praise (All songs used by permission CCLI #676622)

Only a Holy God

Prayer of Confession

Stan Keasling (9:00); Jim Tracy (11:00)

Response to Confession

Spirit of the Living God

✠ Declaration of Forgiveness

One: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel

All: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

One: Let us pass the peace of Christ.

✠ Creed: Brief Statement of Faith—*the Holy Spirit*

We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers
in the one body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit
who inspired the prophets and apostles
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed,
claims us in the waters of baptism,
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,
and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.

Welcome

Brett Shoemaker

Moment for Mission: Team World Vision

Jill Whitney & Dave Reynen

Holy Spirit, Come (H. H. Tweedy; L. Larson)

O Spirit of the living God,
 O Light and Fire divine,
 Descend upon Your Church once more
 that we may truly shine.
 Fill us with love, with joy and grace,
 with righteousness and peace,
 Till Christ shall dwell in every heart
 and sin and sorrow cease.

Holy Wind of God, with wisdom blow
 Until our minds are free,
 till our blinded eyes can see.
 Holy Spirit, come. Inspire us in this hour
 By Your gracious love and glorious power.

Teach us to utter living words of truth
 that all may hear,
 A language all will understand
 when love speaks loud and clear;
 Till every age and every race
 shall blend their hearts as one,
 And earth shall form one family
 through whom Your will is done.

Come, O Holy Spirit, come.

Giving & Receiving of God's Tithe and Our Offerings

Stan Keasling (9:00)
 Jim Tracy (11:00)



After worship, you may place your offering in the basket at the back of the sanctuary. You may also give online at faithpresby.org under the "Give" tab. This QR code will take you directly there.

Offertory

Eunice Bancu

✠Doxology (*literally, Words to Glorify*)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
 Praise Him, all creatures here below.
 Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

✠Prayer of Dedication**Children's Message—*Fruits of the Spirit Song***

Brett Shoemaker & the Kids Club of Faith

Scripture Reading: Psalm 104:24-35

Stan Keasling (9:00); Jim Tracy (11:00)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.
 All: **Thanks be to God!**

At this point in the 9:00 service, children pre-K to 6th grade are invited either to be excused to our children's programs or to return and sit with their families.

Prayer of Illumination**Message**

Brett Shoemaker

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Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Brett Shoemaker & Dennis Montzingo (9:00)

Brett Shoemaker & Lorie Sprinkle (11:00)

A Note to Parents: In our tradition children who have already been nurtured and instructed in the significance of the Lord's Supper are invited to participate fully in this sacrament. If you have questions about the participation of your children, please speak to one of our pastors.

Invitation to the Table

Great Thanksgiving & Eucharistic Prayer

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Breaking of the Bread & Communion of the People

✠Hymn of Faith

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart
#326, The Presbyterian Hymnal

✠Benediction

✠A Moment to Remember

Dan Pehrson, trumpet

✠Postlude

Eunice Bancu; Faith Brass Ensemble (11:00)

If you would like to have somebody pray with you for any reason, there will be a prayer team available in the front row immediately after worship this morning. Prayer Team: Audrey Newport & Anthony Shelton (9:00) and Lucy DaCastello (11:00)

On your mark! Get set for...

Team World Vision 2026!

Would you like to improve your fitness and fellowship with friends while solving the global clean water crisis? Then it's time to **join Team World Vision for our 2026 season!** We'll be training to participate in this September's Urban Cow, and you have two training options. You can train for:

- the Urban Cow 5K (3.1 miles) on Saturday, September 26, or
- the Urban Cow half marathon (13.1 miles) on Sunday, September 27.

Our 18-week training program starts at the end of May, and we'd love to have you join us! We are having an informational meeting TODAY after each worship service in the sanctuary. You can also use this QR code to join our team or to learn more. Questions? Please contact Jill Whitney at whitneydds@gmail.com or (916) 606-7767.



Announcements and Events

Family Ministry

Rooted & Growing



Sundays 9:00 AM



Nursery
Newborn-3 yr



Godly Play
TK-2nd



Worship & Wonder
3rd-6th

Where we learn to stay rooted in Christ
and always growing in faith

For questions about Faith's Sunday morning children's programs, contact Lindsay Stanford, Director of Family Ministry, at lstanford@faithpresby.org.

Childcare During Adult Sunday School

We are excited to let you know that if you are an adult who would like to attend Sunday school but need childcare in order to do so, Faith has you covered!

Director of Family Ministry Lindsay Stanford offers childcare between services for children whose parents/guardians are attending Sunday school or a Life

Group. Sign up in advance using this QR code. Drop your children off with Lindsay after the 9:00 service. You'll find her outside near the play structure. Please pick up your tots within five minutes of the end of class.



This Year's Pentecost Offering

Our denomination, the PCUSA, has restructured its special offerings, reducing the number from four annually to three, with the Pentecost Offering the one that has been eliminated. (The focus of this offering on youth is being folded into the Christmas Joy Offering.) And yet, folks here at Faith are generously giving to the Pentecost Offering. In light of this, our Session has voted to give all funds received for this year's Pentecost Offering to Young Life, a youth-focused Christian organization with a growing chapter right next door at Kennedy High.

— LIGHTHOUSE —

GRADES 7-12

TWO REGULAR SUNDAY NIGHTS LEFT!

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Same time: 7:00-8:30 p.m. (odbal to follow as usual)

JOIN THE APP!



Contact Brett Shoemaker for more info and to get on our email list:
bshoemaker@faithpresby.org

Opportunities to Learn, Connect & Serve

Adult Sunday School Today

In Christ Alone: The Colossian Letter

April 12, 19, 26; May 17, 24, 31

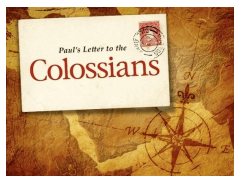
10:15 a.m., Grace Room

Facilitator: Rev. Rick Hull

It is a time of social chaos, spiritual confusion, and decaying moral values.

It is a time when an entire culture is struggling, and good-hearted believers are seeking. Who has the power to assure us and fulfill us? Whose call do we follow? Where is there a dependable hope? What are we to do?

It is a time so very like our own. And to this ancient-yet-modern culture the Apostle Paul pens a letter that speaks assurance, guidance and courage in every generation that has read it. These six practical, compelling segments take us to the very heart of New Testament faith – “In Christ Alone.”



PACT BBQ Is Sunday, May 31

Every year, members of our Pocket Area Churches Together



(PACT) get

together for a Sunday afternoon BBQ. This year Greenhaven Neighborhood Church is hosting—right across Florin from the Faith campus. Please **join us next Sunday at about 12:15 p.m.** to share food and fellowship with our brothers and sisters from the other Pocket congregations. There is no charge for the meal, though donations will be gratefully accepted.

Faith Is Hiring!

Faith's Financial Assistant, Marlys Emery, will be leaving her position in the near future, and so Faith is looking to hire someone to step into this vital position. Essential duties include accounts payable, financial data entry, scanning of deposits, and financial recordkeeping.



The ideal candidate is a committed disciple of Jesus Christ with: a strong background and/or demonstrated experience in accounting or finance; experience with financial database platforms; strong organizational and communication skills; unflinching attention to detail; and the abilities to work as part of a team, maintain confidentiality, meet deadlines, and handle multiple projects.

This is a non-exempt, permanent, part-time position of up to 10 hours per week. Benefits include vacation and sick time, as well as a flexible schedule.

For the full position description, contact Laura Anderson (landerson@faithpresby.org; 916-428-3439). To apply, submit your cover letter and resume to:

Stan Keasling, Personnel Elder
Faith Presbyterian Church
625 Florin Rd
Sacramento, CA 95831
stan.keasling@gmail.com

Adult Sunday School in June

A Simple Approach to Homiletics: Assembling the Content of a Bible Passage to Facilitate Understanding

June 14, 21, 28

10:15 a.m., Grace Room

Facilitator: Larry Larsen

The Scriptures are recorded in languages spoken today by few people. Therefore, sermons and homilies serve to facilitate understanding. Very briefly, sermons tend to be longer and explore more deeply, while homilies tend to be shorter and explore more simply.

The simple approach to homiletics that we will explore in this class has been used for decades by leaders in Bible Study Fellowship (BSF). Audrey Wetherell Johnson, the founder of BSF, learned this approach, pioneered by Hudson Taylor, while serving with the China Inland Mission.

We will practice homiletics using John 6:1-21, in three parts.

Presbyterian Women's May Fellowship

This Wednesday, May 27, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Link Hall

All Faith women are warmly invited to join us for PW's final luncheon gathering of the year before our summer hiatus. Our speaker for May is Faith's own Aaron McMahan, who is the Director of Operations for Selland Family Restaurants.

For over 30 years, the Selland Hospitality Group has been the Sacramento region's premier farm-to-fork, family-owned restaurant group. With four highly acclaimed restaurant concepts and six locations, Selland Hospitality Group is owned and operated by the Selland Family. Selland's family of restaurants includes the venerable institution The Kitchen Restaurant, the downtown Sacramento hotspot Ella Dining Room & Bar, Sellands Café & Bar with three locations, and OBO' Italian Table & Bar with two locations.

For those who pre-ordered, we will be enjoying boxed lunches from ... Sellands, of course! If you didn't order a box, please join us just the same! Bring your own bag lunch; drinks and dessert will be provided.

We will have time to catch up with one another over lunch and to hear from our board members. We will have our usual raffle but will not have a bazaar table this month.

Join us for this wonderful time of Christian friendship. If you need further information, please contact board member Kathy Ellis at trvlkath@comcast.net.



New to Faith? *We'd like the chance to meet you!*

If you are new to Faith Church, we would like to invite you to an informal reception so we can get to know you, and in turn you can get to know us. Our next Look @ Faith reception is **next Sunday, May 31, at 10:15 a.m. in the Fireside Room.**

The reception lasts about 30 minutes. You'll have the opportunity to get to know others who have been coming to Faith, meet some of our leadership, and learn a few things about what makes this congregation unique. You may have questions about this church or about the Christian faith, and that's great—feel free to ask! This is just an informal opportunity to get to know one another. Come join us! *For more info, email Laura at landerson@faithpresby.org.*



New Life Groups Are Just Getting Started

It's a great time to join!

Life Groups are small groups (4-12) of people who meet weekly for Bible study, prayer and community. These groups have been instrumental in fostering spiritual growth and building friendships for many here at Faith. While Life Groups are always open to receiving new members, the time when a new group is forming can be an especially good time to join. The following groups have recently started up:

- Sunday morning women's group; meets every week in Room 2 at 10:15 a.m.
- Wednesday evening co-ed group in Elk Grove (6:30 p.m.); meets every other week.
- Wednesday evening co-ed group (5:30 p.m.); meets every week in the Fireside Room.
- Thursday afternoon men's group (3:00 p.m.); meets every week in the Fireside Room.

If you are interested in checking out one of the groups, please contact either Janelle Hendricks (joyfuljanelle@gmail.com) or Jeff Chapman (jchapman@faithpresby.org).





Vacation Bible School 2026—Registration Is Open!

June 15-19, 9:00 a.m. to Noon at Faith

You may need your sunglasses at Vacation Bible School this summer because we are stepping into the light to find out how it reveals Jesus to us. And **Jesus is BRILLIANT!** Join us for this week of worship, Bible stories, music, games, crafts, and joyful fun as we get to know Jesus better as the True Light of our world.

VBS will take place right here at Faith the week of June 15 to 19, from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Children in Pre-K to 6th grade are welcome to be a part of this fantastic time of learning about Jesus in the good company of caring adults, a few zany characters, and plenty of friends, old and new.

Register using the QR code at right, or see the direct link in tomorrow's "This Week @ Faith" email. Contact Director of Family Ministry Lindsay Stanford with any questions (916-428-3439, ext. 106; lstanford@faithpresby.org).

Register Here:



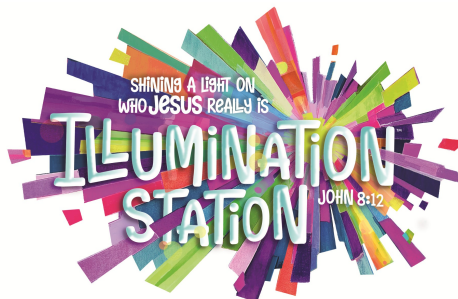
Calling All Adult & Youth VBS Volunteer Leaders...

...because **you know we can't do it without you!** Online registration forms are ready and waiting for adults and youth who would like to sign up to volunteer as VBS leaders. Scan the appropriate QR code below to get started. We look forward to hearing from you!



Adult Volunteers

Adult Volunteers



Youth Volunteers

Youth Volunteers

Serving on Sunday at Faith

	Serving Today (5/24)		Serving Next Sunday (5/31)	
	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Acolyte	Liam Ndichu	Josh Chand	Amara Markarian	Miles Febre
Coffee Hosts	Clint & Mai Scott Melanie Scott	Paul Keller Betty Keler	Mary Ann Chapman Cindy DeYoung	Kathy Fields Linda Jacobs
Communion Servers	Bob DeYoung Cathy Healow Stan Keasling Walter Newport	Sally Evey Renee Larsen Fred Noteware Kitty Tatro	N.A.	N.A.
Greeters	Frank DeYoung Marianne Jenkins	Kathy Fields Vickie Weaver Owens	Ron & Sherry Beams	Linda Jacobs
Lock-up	N.A.	Tom Busch	N.A.	Lee Bush
Media Center Techs	Dave Anders Audrey Newport	Rick Hom	Dave Anders David Nash	Joe Parente
Pew Crew	<i>Serving 5/25-5/28</i>	Jane Owen	<i>Serving 6/1—6/4</i>	Karena Van Duyn
Prayer Team	Audrey Newport Anthony Shelton	Lucy DaCastello	Candi Okada Pat Witzens	Jim & Barbara Tracy
Teller Escorts	Bill Edgar	Paul Heaton	Jennifer Anders	Jarvis Arellano
Tellers	N.A.	Erwina Bush Jim Tracy	N.A.	Bill Edgar Paul Heaton
Ushers	Sheila Sanders Charlie Tucker	Roy Chastain	Walter & Audrey Newport	Jarvis Arellano
Welcome Ctr.	Jessica Flash	Janeil Hogue	Margie Montzingo	Terry Fong
Worship Asst.	Stan Keasling	Jim Tracy	Dennis Montzingo	Rob Stutzman

Faith Worship Band: Eunice Bancu, Michaela Bannerman, Shane Bannerman, Esther Chapman, Andrew Chen, Victor Contreras, Sue Kim, Cindi Kinney, Paul Kinney, Carolyn Kubish, Paul Philleo, Zach Roberts, Makayla Van Duyn, Vickie Weaver Owens and Jill Whitney.

Faith Brass Ensemble: José Hermocillo, Tom McDuffie, Fred Noteware, Betsy Pehrson, Dan Pehrson, Paul Philleo, Steve Rock, Laura Schneider and Carolyn Tillman (Director).

Faith Chancel Choir: Cynthia Abbott, Gregory Collins, Joe De Illy, Sally Evey, Jessica Flash, Paul Heaton, Janeil Hogue, Sue Kim, Cindi Kinney, Paul Kinney, Carolyn Kubish, Barbara LaPlaca, Kay Lum, Phil Lum, Betsy Pehrson, Dan Pehrson, Paul Philleo, Ken Pisor, April Reichert, Edna Rush, Ron Sprinkle and Charlotte Van Wagner.

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This Week @ Faith: May 24–30

SUNDAY

- **Worship—9:00 & 11:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)**
- Adult Sunday School—10:15 a.m. (Grace Rm)
- Women's Life Group—10:15 a.m. (Room 2)
- Greeters Meeting—10:15 a.m. (Youth Rm)
- Our Savior's Anglican Church—12 p.m. (Link Hall)
- Greeters Meeting—12:15 p.m. (Grace Rm)
- Immanuel Indonesian Church—4 p.m. (Rm 2)
- Youth Group—7 p.m. (Youth Rm, Link Hall)
- AA Meeting—7 p.m. (Rm 2)

MONDAY

- Office Closed
- Women's Book Club—7 p.m. (Off site)
- Women's AA Meeting—7 p.m. (Rm 2)

TUESDAY

- Morning Prayer—7:30 a.m. (Online)
- Life Group—2:30 p.m. (Choir Rm)
- Life Group—4 p.m. (Grace Rm)
- Girl Scouts—6 p.m. (Rm 4)
- Marriage Course—6:30 p.m. (Link Hall)
- AA Meeting—8 p.m. (Rm 2)

WEDNESDAY

- Women's Life Group—10 a.m. (Fireside Rm)
- PW Fellowship—11:30 a.m. (Link Hall)
- Life Group—5:30 p.m. (Fireside Rm)
- Worship Band Rehearsal—6 p.m. (Choir Rm)
- Life Group—7 p.m. (Choir Rm)
- Online Class: Holy Spirit—7 p.m. (Zoom)
- Men's AA Meeting—7 p.m. (Rm 2)

THURSDAY

- Men's Life Group—7:30 a.m. (Fireside Rm)
- Staff Prayer—9 a.m. (Online)
- Women's Life Group—9:30 a.m. (Fireside Rm)
- VBS Prep Team—10 a.m. (Link Hall)
- Women's Life Group—10:30 a.m. (Grace Rm)
- Men's Life Group—3 p.m. (Fireside Rm)
- FAA—6:30 p.m. (Rm 4)
- Choir Rehearsal—7 p.m. (Sanctuary, Choir Rm)
- AA Meeting—8 p.m. (Rm 2)

FRIDAY

- AA Birthday Meeting—8 p.m. (Link Hall)

SATURDAY

- Tai Chi—8:30 a.m. (Courtyard)
- Faith Brass Ensemble—9:30 a.m.
- Camellia Juniors—1 p.m. (Sanctuary)

Calendar at a Glance

Upcoming dates of note in our life at Faith

May 24	Pentecost
May 31	PACT BBQ (at Greenhaven Neighborhood Church)
June 15-19	Vacation Bible School
July 27-30	Academy of Arts, Week 1
August 3-6	Academy of Arts, Week 2
August 9	AOA Performance
September 11-13	All-Church Fall Retreat
October 10	Harvest Dinner & Auction

This week, the Faith office is closed on
Monday, May 25.

The office will be open Tuesday through Thursday,
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.,
and Friday by appointment.

Message Notes

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Questions to Consider...

The following questions and scriptures are provided for Life Groups and individuals who want to reflect further on today's message.

1. Read Psalm 104:24-35 on your own silently, then read Acts 2:1-4 aloud together. Do you see any connections between these two passages?
2. What events in our world make you wonder why God is not more active? Where do you see God's Spirit breaking in?
3. In John 9, Jesus heals a man born blind, and he teaches that the purpose of the man's lack of sight was so that God's work might be displayed. How do we know when this teaching applies to a challenge we face in our lives or in the world?
4. The lectionary does not include verse 35a in this reading. It skips it. Do you like that we included it in our reading? Why or why not?
5. Read Philippians 1:6. How might we see this statement as more than just a nice encouragement from Paul to this church, but also as a rich statement about how God works?
6. Can you remember the last time you were awe-inspired about the way God works?
7. N. T. Wright said, "The point of the Spirit is to enable God's people to be agents of new creation." As we celebrate the ongoing truth of Pentecost, where is the evidence of this in our lives, church, or community?
8. The Challenge: Take 10 to 15 minutes each day in the same place to gaze in awe quietly. (Or, do 30 minutes to one hour of gazing once during the week.) What would be (or what has been) the biggest obstacle to this time? What would be (or what has been) a gift in taking this time?



Table to Table: Something for kids and adults to consider together

What amazes you most about God's world? What can we learn about God's Spirit (the Holy Spirit) by looking at the world around us?

Meeting With God This Week

To help you LISTEN to God...

For your continued times of meeting with God daily, we offer the following passages from God's Word for your reflection. If you need a Bible, let us know and we'll give you one. We encourage you to keep a journal at hand to write down what you hear as you listen to God's Word. If you are new to all this, these steps may help you get started:

Invite - Find a time and space where you can have at least fifteen minutes of privacy and silence. Begin by taking a moment to simply ask God to meet you. Expect God to answer your prayer and show up.

Scripture - Read slowly through the passage for the day (we offer suggestions below). Read it again, if you like. Pay attention to phrases or ideas that particularly strike you.

Listen and Reflect - Use a journal to write down what you hear God saying in these verses. What is God telling you about himself? What is God telling you about your life? What is God telling you he wants you to do or to do differently? What questions are raised? What promises are revealed? Write what you hear.

Respond - Use the 3 R's. **#1 - Rejoice!** What have I heard from God which causes me to praise God and give thanks? Pray accordingly. **#2—Repent.** What have I heard from God that brings to light sin in my life or change that needs to take place? **#3—Request.** What have I heard from God that informs the way I pray for myself and others? (The guide in the column to the right, "To Help You Speak with God," may be useful as you pray for others this week.)

Suggested Scriptures for the Week, as we offer God a portion of each day in His Word.

Monday:	Matthew 22 / Psalm 141
Tuesday:	Matthew 23 / Psalm 142
Wednesday:	Matthew 24 / Psalm 143
Thursday:	Matthew 25 / Psalm 144
Friday:	Matthew 26 / Psalm 145
Saturday:	Matthew 27 / Psalm 146
Sunday:	Matthew 28 / Psalm 147

To help you SPEAK with God...

♦Pray for Our Faith Family, Especially...

Melody Tactaquin ~ Kitty Tatro ~ Evelyn Tavis ~ Kelly Taylor ~ Joe Teixeira.

♦Prayers for Healing & Comfort:

For Healing & Strength: Carol Keller, Bob Johnson, Clara Murrels, Kristen Bye, Barbara Tracy, Cheryl Chan, Sandy Smoley, Nick LaPlaca, Skip Watt, Julene Leonard, John Ravas, Marvette Swayzer, Lucy DaCastello, Glenda Arellano, Em Baker, Carol Eikelmann.

♦Church Leadership:

Lindsay Stanford Director, Family Ministry
Lucy DaCastello Elder, Stewardship
Barbara Hull Deacon, Parish 9

♦Other Opportunities for Prayer

Prayer Chain: Contact Alice Parente at vsas77@earthlink.net to share a prayer concern or to become part of the prayer chain.

Pre-Service Prayer: We meet in the Fireside Room every Sunday morning at 8:30 for prayer before worship. All are welcome.

Prayer After Worship: If you would like someone to pray with you, our prayer team will be available at the front of the church immediately following worship this morning.

Tuesday Morning Zoom Prayer Gathering:

All are welcome to join us for prayer on Zoom Tuesday mornings from 7:30 to 8:00 a.m. Using a psalm or other scripture as our guide, we pray

together—some silently, some aloud. Most of us keep our cameras off. It's wonderful to start our day in this way together. The Zoom ID is **871 3470 6671**.



