

# First Presbyterian Church

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

*Love God, Love One Another, Love Neighbor, Make Disciples.*

April 14, 2024 – 10:00 A.M.

Week Three of Eastertide | Liturgical Color: White

Filled & Focused | Luke 9:1-17

Guest Preacher: Pastor Bethany Cseh

## PRELUDE

Simple Gifts, by James C. Kasen

Larry Blackburn

## ✠WELCOME

Pastor Jamie White

## ✠CALL TO WORSHIP

Andy Wilken

God of our hopes and dreams, we are empty, and long to be filled;  
**we are hungry, and long to be fed; we are lost, and long to be found.**  
Just as Jesus gathered up the fragments of the remaining loaves and fishes,  
**gather us into your love and pick up the pieces of our lives.**

Call us anew to eat our fill.

**Help us find our true nourishment in you, the bread of heaven.**

Come, let us worship the God who fills us to overflowing. Amen

## ✠SONG

Cornerstone

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Andy Wilken

God, so often we come believing in our emptiness, believing that we will never have enough, believing that what we have is unworthy.

**We come fearful of sharing, fearful of losing our tenuous grip on security, fearful of touching and knowing the pain of others.**

**We come overwhelmed by the hunger, overwhelmed by the suffering of children near and far, overwhelmed by the endless tales of senseless violence, greed, and death.**

**We come aching from the weight of the responsibility, aching from the chilling challenge of knowing our abundance, aching from the gnawing awareness that we have much to share.**

**We come clinging to our own ‘meager lunches’ wondering if what we have will be enough; bless them, and us.**

**break them, and us.**

**share them, and us.**

## ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Andy Wilken

Friends, let me remind you of the good news that never gets old; there is always enough love and mercy to go around. There is always enough for you. In Christ, we are forgiven and filled with God's peace. Amen.

**✠GLORIA** Glory Be to the Father Hymnal #813

**✠SONG** All Who are Thirsty

**✠PASSING THE PEACE** Pastor Joe Bagdanov

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** Halen Seevinck

**ANNOUCEMENTS** Pastor Jamie White

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:** Pastor Jamie White

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**MESSAGE** Filled & Focused  
Luke 9:1-17  
Guest Preacher: Pastor Bethany Cseh

**OFFERING** Pastor Joe Bagdanov  
(Give at [www.fpcslc.org](http://www.fpcslc.org) or text GIVE to 801-448-0254)

**OFFERTORY** Patty Chou  
Joann Armstrong

**✠DOXOLOGY** Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow Hymnal #815

**✠SONG** Great Are You Lord

**✠CHARGE & BLESSING** Pastor Jamie White

**Go out into the world in peace and love.  
Proclaim the good news. Have courage.  
Hold onto what is good. Return no one evil for evil.  
Strengthen the fainthearted, support the weak,  
help the suffering. Honor all people.  
Love and serve the Lord,  
rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

**POSTLUDE** Festive Bells, by John Rutter Larry Blackburn

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### TODAY

**An Introduction to the Enneagram:** Join us for this Adult Ed class taught by licensed mental health therapist Dave White, where we'll spend time getting to know ourselves and God even more.

**Youth Mission Trip Donations:** The Sr. High students of FPCSLC will be traveling to Durango, CO to work with Habitat for Humanity June 13-18. If you'd like to help support their trip, proceeds raised will offset registration costs associated with rental vehicles, travel expenses, food, evening events and full/partial student scholarships. Thank you for your prayers and financial support. Donate here: <https://fpcslc.breezechms.com/form/8b55d05245>

### UPCOMING

**April 28<sup>th</sup> – Pamela's Closet Summer Shower:** You are invited to a Summer Shower to be held Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> after the 10:00 am service! We are collecting: diapers, formula, baby wipes, and light weight baby blankets. We also need children's clothes for girls and boys: 0-18 months, 2T-4T, kid's sizes 4-8, & kid's sizes 9-12 and stylish teen clothes sizes X small to XX large. You can also shop on-line for items needed at the YWCA, go to: [https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/lr/2LRNWBTY31LAH/ref=nav\\_wishlist\\_lists\\_2](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/lr/2LRNWBTY31LAH/ref=nav_wishlist_lists_2)

**April 28<sup>th</sup> – Youth Sunday Practice:** All students participating in our Youth Sunday service on May 5<sup>th</sup>, please plan on attending a run-through after the 4/28 service.

**May 5<sup>th</sup> – Youth Sunday:** Join us for this special service where our youth will take the reins and lead us in worship.

**May 12<sup>th</sup> – Christian Education Summer Break:** May 12<sup>th</sup> will be our last day of Christian Education classes after service before we break for the summer.

**May 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> – Women's Retreat:** Registration is now open!!

**May 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> – Men's Retreat:** Registration is now open! Register here: <https://www.mountolympuschurch.com/ministries/adult>  
*Use the same link to reach info for both retreats.*

**June 9<sup>th</sup> – Church Picnic:** Save the Date! We'll meet at the pavilion in Liberty Park for games and a sandwich bar after service.

### UPDATES

**Ushers & Greeters Needed:** Ushers and greeters are such an important first point of contact and security for our church community. If you'd like to join this committee, please contact the office, and we will get you plugged in. [office@fpcslc.org](mailto:office@fpcslc.org)

## TO KEEP IN PRAYER

### Praises to God

- For the gift of hearing faith stories last week in our annual “This is My Story” Sunday. What an incredibly moving and encouraging day of worship for our church family.
- Praise be to God for those who have experienced successful surgeries or received good news of “everything is normal” and “the margins were clear” and “you’ve recovered fully.”
- For our Nominating Committee as they begin their important work seeking new deacons and elders.

### Specific Requests of God

- For all who are grieving losses: the Smiths, the Gibbs, the Wilkens, the Stringhams, the Atkinsons, Carol Betz, Lisa Diebel, the Condons, the Springmans, Ashley Eckhoff, the Nixons
- For Gayle Cook who was recently diagnosed with breast cancer and underwent a lumpectomy surgery on April 1<sup>st</sup>. Praise God that all the margins are clear! Let’s continue to pray for a complete recovery for Gayle. And for Bob, as he cares for her during this time.
- For Clarissa and Millie, as they move into a new apartment this week and build relationships with their new roommates. Prayers too for energy and strength in their jobs.
- For Matt Lombard’s mom who began chemo this week after cancer was found in her lymph nodes. Please pray for effective treatment and strength for their whole family.
- For Robby Higgins, who will be having foot reconstructive surgery in hopes of mediating Robby’s pain. Please pray for healing and comfort and that the medical team find ways to treat Robby that will decrease his pain and increase his mobility.
- For Tara Leung’s brother and sister-in-law, Kyle & Lynnsey, who just had twins Capri & Emmi. Both Lynnsey and Emmi are in the ICU and not doing well. Please pray for healing, wisdom for everyone, and strength during this overwhelming time.
- For Dan Zaharias who was just diagnosed with a “Posterior Vitreous Detachment” in his eye after seeing shadows and struggling to see. Dan also needs to have a knee replacement surgery soon. Please pray for him as he navigates these health issues, and that God would provide all he needs.
- Prayers for Carolyn Chase, who’s having another eye surgery on April 18<sup>th</sup> in hopes of slowing down her degenerative eye issues. She is feeling anxious.
- For Leroy Cook and Joann Pearson and for our deacons as they seek a new living situation.
- For Tanner Strickland’s dad, Billy, who’s struggling with Parkinson’s disease.
- For Doran Morford, who’s wife died a year ago. That God would look down on him and comfort him in his grief.

**Those with Ongoing Concerns**— Juliette Durst; Leah Cruz-Wood’s son, Morey; Randi Steed; Ava Piercey; Jack Chase; Ski Kosierowski; Dax Mascarenas; Jayne-Anne Mulholland; Lisa Buffmire’s daughter, Corinne; Don and Sandra Saxon’s daughter, Mike’l; Jack and Carolyn’s daughter, Kymmie; Susan Bland; Leroy Cook; Kurt Koiner; George Thomas; Amy Shafer; Doug Orr; Dale Strobel’s brother, Bob; Sal Agosta; Peggy Howell’s daughter, Beth; Janet Houtz’ father, David

**Those in Independent or Assisted Living**— Diane Barnhart (The Ridge); Barbara Boswell (Chateau Brickyard), Janice Brickey (The Ridge), Bill & Libby McKay (Highland Cove), John Higgins (VA)

**Mission Partners** – Michelle Petersen, Kenya Partners, Peter and Anita Sundho