

## Welcome

Welcome to PBCC...we are glad you have joined us today!

We gather in worship to remind ourselves who God is, what he has done in Christ, and what he is doing through his Spirit. Our desire is to praise God and receive afresh his Spirit in us, to affirm that we are family, reconciled one to another, and to be empowered to reach out to the world.



If you are new, please fill out an information card, found in the pew racks, and drop it in the offering plate so we can get acquainted with you. Our ushers, greeters and hosts in the Information Booth are available to answer any questions.

If you are a regular attendee, please use an information card to update your contact information.

The information card may be used to share prayer requests with either just the pastors, elders and a confidential prayer team or printed anonymously in our worship guide.

For regular news and updates, subscribe to our weekly e-newsletter: [pbcc.org/upcoming/enews-sign-up/](http://pbcc.org/upcoming/enews-sign-up/).

A prayer team is available at the front left of the auditorium after each service.

## Classes

**Body Life in Mandarin**, led by Joseph Chou & Teng Moh on **Sundays, 10:30am** in room 205, on-going.

**Understanding and Loving Jewish & Muslim Neighbors**, led by Bernard Bell on **Sundays, 10:30am now–April 22** in Fellowship Hall.

**Tuesday Evenings in the Psalms 7–8:30pm, now–June 12** in Fellowship Hall. Join us for an evening of worship as we make our pilgrimage through the book of Psalms. Led by Brian Morgan and friends.

**Footsteps of Paul** - Follow Paul's second and third journeys. Designed for those taking the tour in May, but open to anyone. Teacher: Bernard Bell. **Mondays, now–April 23, 7–9pm** in Fellowship Hall.

Service Times: 8:30, 10:30 am Sundays

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## Upcoming Events\*

**Next Sunday** Ryan Hinn will continue in our series on Joshua.

**Art Workshop: Today, 1-3pm**; an illustrated talk by Bernard Bell about Christian art. Register at the door.

**National Day of Prayer: Thursday, May 3, 7–8:30pm** in the main auditorium at PBCC. All are invited to participate in a unique prayer service to intercede for our country, our state, and our church body. The theme this year is *Unity*. Parents and kids are encouraged to come to pray together in one voice. NDP is a national event held annually on the first Thursday in May.

**PBCC Service Sunday:** We've set aside **Sunday, April 29** for SERVICE SUNDAY! This will be a day dedicated to worshipping and glorifying the Lord through acts of loving, compassionate and helpful service to our local community. Please join us in service together! Sign-ups for projects continue after services today or you can sign up online at [pbcc.org](http://pbcc.org).

**Grief Support Group:** There will be no grief group in May. The next one is Monday June 18 at 3:30 at 5913 Tompkins Dr. San Jose. 408.446-9455.

**Car needed:** Our missionaries, Matt and Eunice Cheung, need a car for 6 months while they await their visas. Contact them at 408.735.7591 or [mingtakucl@gmail.com](mailto:mingtakucl@gmail.com) if you can help. Thank you!

\*More detailed information can be found on our website under: "UPCOMING".



## Prayer Requests

*Please Pray for...*

1. healing and direction as I am suffering from extreme depression and anxiety.
2. our cousin, June, that she will open her heart to Jesus' gift of salvation before she passes. She is near the end.
3. my mom who is in extreme pain. She has to wait until the beginning of July for knee replacement surgery.
4. my sister's salvation. She is a Jehovah Witness. Pray she will see truth in who Jesus is.
5. a job for Greg. He has been looking for quite a while with no success.

If you would like to share a prayer request through this worship guide, please drop a note in the offering plate.

*For emergencies, call the Prayer Vine, Bev Abel (408.247.6921)*

## Financial Report

February 2018	received	disbursed	gain/(loss)
General Fund	\$112,737	\$198,459	(\$85,722)
Gen. Fund 12 mo. average	\$192,453	\$196,873	(\$4,420)
Need Fund	\$2,840	\$400	
Missions Fund	\$11,850	\$15,643	

# Peninsula Bible Church Cupertino

## Ai...Take Two!

Joshua 8:1-29



Restore us again, O God of our salvation,  
and put away your indignation toward us!  
Will you be angry with us forever?  
Will you prolong your anger to all generations?  
Will you not revive us again,  
that your people may rejoice in you?  
Show us your steadfast love, O LORD,  
and grant us your salvation. Psalm 85:4-7 (ESV)

## Sunday, April 15, 2018

Music: Lucinda King , James Garcia and Team  
Host: Gina Grinis  
Message: Bob Pershe

### Call to Worship: Psalm 99:1-5

- <sup>1</sup> The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble!  
He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!
- <sup>2</sup> The LORD is great in Zion;  
he is exalted over all the peoples.
- <sup>3</sup> Let them praise your great and awesome name!  
Holy is he!
- <sup>4</sup> The King in his might loves justice.[a]  
You have established equity;  
you have executed justice  
and righteousness in Jacob.
- <sup>5</sup> Exalt the LORD our God;  
worship at his footstool!  
Holy is he! (ESV)

### Scripture Reading: Psalm 34:15-18

- <sup>15</sup> The eyes of the LORD are toward the righteous  
and his ears toward their cry.
- <sup>16</sup> The face of the LORD is against those who do evil,  
to cut off the memory of them from the earth.
- <sup>17</sup> When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears  
and delivers them out of all their troubles.
- <sup>18</sup> The LORD is near to the brokenhearted  
and saves the crushed in spirit. (ESV)

#### Songs:

Reckless Love (C. Culver, C. Asbury, R. Jackson)

O Praise The Name (Anástasis) (B. Hastings, D. Ussher, M. Sampson)

Your Great Name We Praise (B. Kauflin, W. Smith)

Great Is Thy Faithfulness (T. Chisholm, W. Runyan)

Sovereign Over Us (B. Brown, A. Keyes, J. Mooring)

Who You Say I Am (R. Morgan, B. Fieldin)

Christ Be All Around Me (D. Leonard, J. Mooring, L. Mooring, L. Jordan)

## Scripture Text: Joshua 8:1-29

<sup>1</sup> And the Lord said to Joshua, “Do not fear and do not be dismayed. Take all the fighting men with you, and arise, go up to Ai. See, I have given into your hand the king of Ai, and his people, his city, and his land. <sup>2</sup> And you shall do to Ai and its king as you did to Jericho and its king. Only its spoil and its livestock you shall take as plunder for yourselves. Lay an ambush against the city, behind it.”

<sup>3</sup> So Joshua and all the fighting men arose to go up to Ai. And Joshua chose 30,000 mighty men of valor and sent them out by night. <sup>4</sup> And he commanded them, “Behold, you shall lie in ambush against the city, behind it. Do not go very far from the city, but all of you remain ready. <sup>5</sup> And I and all the people who are with me will approach the city. And when they come out against us just as before, we shall flee before them. <sup>6</sup> And they will come out after us, until we have drawn them away from the city. For they will say, ‘They are fleeing from us, just as before.’ So we will flee before them. <sup>7</sup> Then you shall rise up from the ambush and seize the city, for the Lord your God will give it into your hand. <sup>8</sup> And as soon as you have taken the city, you shall set the city on fire. You shall do according to the word of the Lord. See, I have commanded you.” <sup>9</sup> So Joshua sent them out. And they went to the place of ambush and lay between Bethel and Ai, to the west of Ai, but Joshua spent that night among the people.

<sup>10</sup> Joshua arose early in the morning and mustered the people and went up, he and the elders of Israel, before the people to Ai. <sup>11</sup> And all the fighting men who were with him went up and drew near before the city and encamped on the north side of Ai, with a ravine between them and Ai. <sup>12</sup> He took about 5,000 men and set them in ambush between Bethel and Ai, to the west of the city. <sup>13</sup> So they stationed the forces, the main encampment that was north of the city and its rear guard west of the city. But Joshua spent that night in the valley. <sup>14</sup> And as soon as the king of Ai saw this, he and all his people, the men of the city, hurried and went out early to the appointed place toward the Arabah to meet Israel in battle. But he did not know that there was an ambush against him behind the city. <sup>15</sup> And Joshua and all Israel pretended to be beaten before them and fled in the direction of the wilderness. <sup>16</sup> So all the people who were in the city were called together to pursue them, and as they pursued Joshua they were drawn away from the city. <sup>17</sup> Not a man was left in Ai or Bethel who did not go out after Israel. They left the city open and pursued Israel.

<sup>18</sup> Then the Lord said to Joshua, “Stretch out the javelin that is in your hand toward Ai, for I will give it into your hand.” And Joshua stretched out the javelin that was in his hand toward the city. <sup>19</sup> And the men

in the ambush rose quickly out of their place, and as soon as he had stretched out his hand, they ran and entered the city and captured it. And they hurried to set the city on fire. <sup>20</sup> So when the men of Ai looked back, behold, the smoke of the city went up to heaven, and they had no power to flee this way or that, for the people who fled to the wilderness turned back against the pursuers. <sup>21</sup> And when Joshua and all Israel saw that the ambush had captured the city, and that the smoke of the city went up, then they turned back and struck down the men of Ai. <sup>22</sup> And the others came out from the city against them, so they were in the midst of Israel, some on this side, and some on that side. And Israel struck them down, until there was left none that survived or escaped. <sup>23</sup> But the king of Ai they took alive, and brought him near to Joshua.

<sup>24</sup> When Israel had finished killing all the inhabitants of Ai in the open wilderness where they pursued them, and all of them to the very last had fallen by the edge of the sword, all Israel returned to Ai and struck it down with the edge of the sword. <sup>25</sup> And all who fell that day, both men and women, were 12,000, all the people of Ai. <sup>26</sup> But Joshua did not draw back his hand with which he stretched out the javelin until he had devoted all the inhabitants of Ai to destruction. <sup>27</sup> Only the livestock and the spoil of that city Israel took as their plunder, according to the word of the Lord that he commanded Joshua. <sup>28</sup> So Joshua burned Ai and made it forever a heap of ruins, as it is to this day. <sup>29</sup> And he hanged the king of Ai on a tree until evening. And at sunset Joshua commanded, and they took his body down from the tree and threw it at the entrance of the gate of the city and raised over it a great heap of stones, which stands there to this day. (ESV)