

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 attender, 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/.

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, 10:30 am** in **room 104**, on-going.



*Tom Metzler went home to be with the Lord on June 29th.
There will be a celebration of Tom's life here at PBCC
on Saturday July 28th.*



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

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Upcoming Events

Next Sunday Shawn Reese will continue our summer series on the parables of Jesus.

Landscape Painting Workshop with Tereasa Christopherson-Tso on **July 15** in Fellowship Hall. Sign up on the patio **today, July 8** or **online** at pbcc.org/ministries/art.

Questions About God: Invite your seeking friends to a free dinner and discussion with Bernard, **Friday, July 20 at 6:30pm**. RSVP: bit.ly/qaboutgod



Prayer Requests

Please Pray for...

1. safety for a friend heading to Washington state for a month to visit relatives.
2. me to make contact with a son and grandson that I recently received knowledge of.
3. my friend's daughter who is 7 months pregnant and suffers from gestational hypertension. Please pray for a safe and peaceful delivery.

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

May 2018	received	disbursed	gain/(loss)
General Fund	\$168,809	\$180,465	(\$11,656)
Gen. Fund 12 mo. average	\$186,961	\$199,761	(\$12,800)
Need Fund	\$1,730	\$1,250	
Missions Fund	\$17,812	\$13,648	

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Overflowing Extravagance: Studies in the Parables



They feast on the abundance of your house,
and you give them drink from the river of your delights.
For with you is the fountain of life;
in your light do we see light.
Psalms 36:8-9 (ESV)

Sunday, July 8, 2018

Music: Justin Garcia and Team
Host: Sharon Coleman
Message: Shawn Reese

Call to Worship: Psalm 36:7-9

⁷ How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

⁸ They feast on the abundance of your house,

and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

⁹ For with you is the fountain of life;

in your light do we see light. (ESV)

Songs:

Your Love Oh Lord (T. Anderson, B. Avery, D. Carr, M. Lee, M. Powell)

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

God With Us (B. Torwalt, K. Torwalt)

Because He Lives (Amen) (C. Tomlin, D. Carson, E. Cash,

G. Gaither, J. Ingram, M. Maher, W. Gaith)

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

Extravagant (A. Cook, R. Jackson, S. Feucht, S. Gretzinger)

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

Scripture Reading: adapted from Ephesians 1:3-14

Leader: All glorious God, we give you thanks: in your Son, Jesus Christ,

People: You have given us every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms.

Leader: You chose us, before the world was made, to be your holy people, without fault in your sight.

People: You adopted us as your children in Christ.

Leader: You have set us free by his blood;

People: You have forgiven our sins.

Leader: You have made known to us your secret purpose, to bring heaven and earth into unity in Christ.

People: You have given us your Holy Spirit, the seal and pledge of our inheritance.

Leader: All praise and glory be yours, O God,

People: For the richness of your grace,

Leader: For the splendor of your gifts,

All: For the extravagant wonders of your love.

Scripture Text: Psalms 78:1-4

¹ Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth!

² I will open my mouth in a **parable**;
I will utter dark sayings from of old,

³ things that we have heard and known,
that our fathers have told us.

⁴ We will not hide them from their children,
but tell to the coming generation
the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might,
and the wonders that he has done. (ESV)

Reference Texts: Isaiah 6:9-10; Matthew 13:10-17; Mark 4:10-12; Luke 8:9-10

Outline:

I. What is a parable?

II. Why does Jesus speak in parables?

III. How do parables work?

- Usual

- Unexpected

- Unsettled

IV. Jesus

Additional Resources for the Parables

Kenneth Bailey, *Jesus through Middle Eastern Eyes*

Robert Capon, *Kingdom, Grace, Judgment: Paradox, Outrage, and Vindication in the Parables of Jesus*

Malcolm Guite, *Parable and Paradox: Sonnets on the Sayings of Jesus and other Poems*

Klyne Snodgrass, *Stories with Intent: A Comprehensive Guide to the Parables of Jesus*

David Wenham, *The Parables of Jesus*