

Welcome to PBCC

We are glad you 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 a Newcomer, please fill out the information card found in the pew rack and drop it in the offering plate so we can get acquainted with you. Along with our pastors, elders and greeters, the volunteers in the Information Booth are available to answer questions and help with whatever you need. For PBCC news and updates, subscribe to our weekly e-newsletter at pbcc.org.

We encourage involvement in small groups for walking through life together, helping each other make Jesus Lord of life. For information on our various groups, contact Shawn@pbcc.org or Sharon@pbcc.org.

Classes

Body Life in Mandarin, led by Joseph Chou & Teng Moh on **Sundays, 10:30 am** in **room 104**, on-going.

Encountering God in ALL the Seasons of Life: Tracing through the life of Jacob from conception to death. Taught by Brian Morgan **Wednesdays, 7-8:30pm** in **Fellowship Hall**. (resumes January 9)

Holiday Service Schedule*

Christmas Eve, Dec 24: (Family Service) **4pm**
(Lessons and Carols) **7pm**

*There will be no childcare or children's classes for either of the above services.

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

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Upcoming Events

Next Sunday: Ryan Hinn will continue our series in Joshua.

RealOptions Tree of Life: Simply take a bag off the tree in the back of the auditorium and purchase the suggested item or send in a donation. This helps us provide free services, touched hearts and transformed lives.

PBCC Visual Arts Fellowship's winter meeting will be **January 12, from 10am-12pm**. See pbcc.org/ministries/art for more info.

Important Income Tax Information: To claim a 2018 deduction for contributions you make to the church, your contribution must be received by **December 31**. Contributions received in **January 2019** cannot be deducted on this year's tax return *even if the check is dated 2018*. There is one exception - *a check that is written, mailed and postmarked this year even if it is not received by us until January 2019*. PBCC will be following these guidelines in issuing receipts. If you have any questions, please contact Bob Pershe at 408.366.6690.

Prayer Requests

Praise God for . . .

1. the adventures of being a Good Samaritan and the answer to my friends' prayers for finding a Christian lawyer who is willing to help them.
2. getting engaged! Pray for us to make God the center of our relationship.

Please Pray for . . .

1. the youth and young adults attending Urbana '18, especially from PBCC. Pray that their lives would be changed and transformed by their experiences there.
2. an end to my fear and healing for my body. Pray that I can fulfill my calling.
3. John, Deborah and Julia, that they would reconcile their differences and do great and mighty things together for the glory of God.

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

	received	disbursed	gain/(loss)
October 2018			
General Fund	\$141,625	\$175,250	(\$33,625)
Gen. Fund 12 mo. average	\$195,788	\$196,206	(\$418)
Need Fund	\$6,472	\$1,808	
Missions Fund	\$11,579	\$12,597	

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Whence Does He Come?

Matthew 2:13-23



The Flight into Egypt
Paris, Notre Dame Cathedral

When Israel was a child, I loved him,
and out of Egypt I called my son.

Hosea 11:1

Sunday, December 23, 2018

Music: Prison Fellowship Team
Host: Joel Taylor
Message: Shawn Reese

The Word that Calls us to Worship

¹ There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse,
and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit.

² And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him,
the Spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the Spirit of counsel and might,
the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

⁵ Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist,
and faithfulness the belt of his loins.

Isaiah 11:1-2,5 (ESV)

⁶ For to us a child is born,
to us a son is given;
and the government shall be upon his shoulder,
and his name shall be called
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Isaiah 9:6 (ESV)

Advent Reading: Philippians 2:5-11

⁵ Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus,
⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with
God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied himself, by taking the form
of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in
human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point
of death, even death on a cross. ⁹ Therefore God has highly exalted him
and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at
the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and
under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father. (ESV)

Sermon Text: Matthew 2:13-23

Notes

¹³ Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, “Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you, for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.” ¹⁴ And he rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed to Egypt ¹⁵ and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet, “Out of Egypt I called my son.”

¹⁶ Then Herod, when he saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, became furious, and he sent and killed all the male children in Bethlehem and in all that region who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had ascertained from the wise men.

¹⁷ Then was fulfilled what was spoken by the prophet Jeremiah:

¹⁸ “A voice was heard in Ramah,
weeping and loud lamentation,

Rachel weeping for her children;

she refused to be comforted, because they are no more.”

¹⁹ But when Herod died, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, ²⁰ saying, “Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child’s life are dead.” ²¹ And he rose and took the child and his mother and went to the land of Israel. ²² But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there, and being warned in a dream he withdrew to the district of Galilee. ²³ And he went and lived in a city called Nazareth, so that what was spoken by the prophets might be fulfilled, that he would be called a Nazarene.

(ESV)

Songs:

Come to Him this Christmas (C. Brown alt. lyrics J. Garcia)

O Come All Ye Faithful (C. Oakeley, J. Wade, arr. Third Day)

Angels We Have Heard On High (J. Chadwick, arr. Third Day)

Silent Night (J. Mohr, arr. Mercy Me)

Joy To The World (G. Handel, I. Watts, arr. Third Day)