

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.

We gather in worship 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.

Sunday Classes

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

What We Believe: led by Bernard Bell. Sundays **10:30am**, starting **April 23**. Fellowship Hall. No class on **April 30** (Service Sunday).

Evening Classes

Tuesday Evenings in the Psalms 7–8:30pm, now –June 6, in Fellowship Hall. Join us for an evening of worship as we make our pilgrimage through the book of Psalms, setting forth a psalm each week as our text for prayer, singing and poetry. Regular attendance is not required. Led by Brian Morgan and friends.

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

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Upcoming Events

Next Sunday: Service Sunday!

PBCC Service Sunday: Sunday, April 30. We will set aside the morning to worship and glorify the Lord through our acts of loving, compassionate and helpful service. Today is the last day to sign-up.

NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) will be presenting “In Our Own Voice” in Fellowship Hall **Sunday, April 23, at 7pm**. Whether you struggle with a mental health disorder or desire to understand and support others who do, join us for this presentation to gain insight into the hope and recovery possible.

PBCC Adults and High Schoolers are invited to create art for Fall Exhibit, *Living the Beatitudes*. Call for Art packets available Sundays in the Info Booth, & online pbcc.org/serving/serving-subpage/visual-arts-ministry/

Women please plan to join us for R&R on **Saturday morning, May 20**, in the Fellowship Hall from **8:30-11:30am** when Barbara Metzler will share reflections on Cultivating Joy. We’ll begin with breakfast and fellowship, enjoy worshipping through music, and after hearing from Barbara we’ll have time for discussion. Cost \$5. Register online on our website or at the registration table after services **May 7 or 14**.

Prayer Requests

Praise God for...

1. the good works performed in King City.

Please Pray for...

1. me that I will shine with God’s love as I visit unchurched family.
2. physical and emotional healing from stress and discouragement due to working in a hostile work environment. Pray for restoration of my professional confidence.
3. complete recovery from my son’s wrist surgery. Pray that my son and daughter-in-law will encounter God.
4. the doctor’s wisdom, relief from suffering and God’s healing for my sister’s unidentified health issues. Pray that she will experience God’s faithfulness.
5. Selena to continue improving with therapy after her stroke.
6. my severe anxiety and depression; that God will help me make the right decisions according to his will for my life.

Financial Report

<i>February 2017</i>	<i>received</i>	<i>disbursed</i>	<i>gain/(loss)</i>
General Fund	\$140,142	\$183,890	(\$43,748)
Gen. Fund 12 mo. average	\$191,381	\$193,514	(\$2,133)
Need Fund	\$4,615	\$2,900	
Missions Fund	\$13,519	\$14,448	

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Setting Our Sails into the Wind

Acts 12:25–13:4



In his teaching the islands will put their hope.
Isaiah 42:4b (NIV)

Sunday, April 23, 2017

Music: Kady Taylor and Team
Host: Sharon Coleman
Message: Brian Morgan

Call to Worship: Isaiah 51:4-5

⁴ Give attention to me, my people,
and give ear to me, my nation;
for a law will go out from me,
and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples.
⁵ My righteousness draws near,
my salvation has gone out,
and my arms will judge the peoples;
the coastlands hope for me,
and for my arm they wait. (ESV)

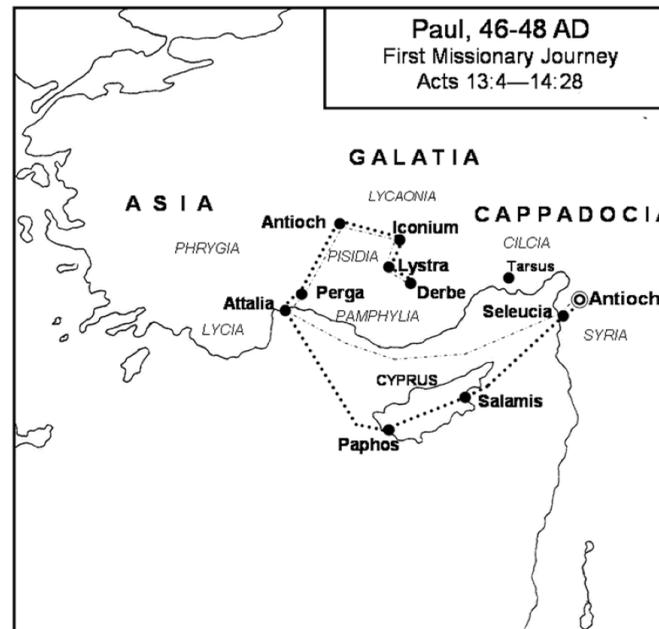
Scripture Reading: Acts 26:13-19 Taken from Paul's defense to King Agrippa:

"At midday, O king, I saw on the way a light from heaven, brighter than the sun, that shone around me and those who journeyed with me. And when we had all fallen to the ground, I heard a voice saying to me in the Hebrew language, 'Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me? It is hard for you to kick against the goads.' And I said, 'Who are you, Lord?' And the Lord said, 'I am Jesus whom you are persecuting. But rise and stand upon your feet, for I have appeared to you for this purpose, to appoint you as a servant and witness to the things in which you have seen me and to those in which I will appear to you, delivering you from your people and from the Gentiles—to whom I am sending you to open their eyes, so that they may turn from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me.' "Therefore, O King Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision..." (ESV)

Scripture: Acts 12:25–13:4

I. Introduction: What is God Doing in This Age? (Acts 1-12)

- A. God's faithfulness to his promises
"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in *Jerusalem* and in all *Judea and Samaria*, and to the end of the earth." (Acts 1:8)
- Restoring a faithful Israel in Jerusalem
 - Samaria hears the gospel through the ministry of Philip and Peter
 - The stage is now set to launch the gospel into the Gentile world
- B. Facilitating factors in the Roman world
- World peace – Pax Romana
 - Universal Greek language
 - Roman road system across the empire



Songs

- God And God Alone (C. Tomlin, J. Ingram, J. Myrin)
- Sing To The Lord (M. Crocker, M. Guglielmucci)
- Oceans (Where Feet May Fail) (M. Crocker, J. Houston, S. Lighthelm)
- What A Beautiful Name (B. Fielding, B. Ligertwood)
- Praise the Name of Jesus (R. Hicks, Jr)
- I Will Follow (R. Morgan, C. Tomlin)
- Christ Is Enough (R. Morgan, J. Myrin)

II. The Historic Call (Acts 12:25–13:4)

^{12:25} And Barnabas and Saul returned from Jerusalem when they had completed their service, bringing with them John, whose other name was Mark. ^{13:1} Now there were in the church at Antioch prophets and teachers, Barnabas, Simeon who was called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen a lifelong friend of Herod the tetrarch, and Saul. ² While they were worshipping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." ³ Then after fasting and praying they laid their hands on them and sent them off (lit. "released them"). ⁴ So, being sent out by the Holy Spirit, they went down to Seleucia, and from there they sailed to Cyprus. (ESV)

- A. Why does Antioch take the lead sail away from Jerusalem as the base for "world missions"?
- B. What makes the leaders receptive to hearing God's voice?
- C. Who is chosen to launch this new work? Why?
- D. Who does the sending? What role do the leaders play?

III. Lighting a Fire that Never Dims

At my first defense no one came to stand by me...But the Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen. (2 Tim 4:16-18)