

## 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 Welcome Center 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, 10:30am in room 104.** (not today due to Connections Sunday)

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

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## Upcoming Events

**Next Sunday:** Brian Morgan will continue his series in Acts.

**Connections Sunday:** Join us **today** after each service for connecting with each other as we visit ministry representatives, snacks, and the espresso cart!

**All Church Picnic: September 8, 12-3pm** at DeAnza Park. PBCC is providing utensils, meat, chips and drinks for FREE this year. We just ask that you bring a dish to share (A-J dessert, K-Z salad/side). Come by our table after services **today through September 1** to get involved!

**Precept Bible Study - I Thessalonians:** starts **September 5** from **7-9:15pm** on **Thursday nights** at the home of Gay and Tess. If interested, please call 408-745-1288. Books need to be ordered.

**Women's Bible Study:** The Genesis 1:1-12:9 study begins **the week of September 10** with an introduction by Bernard Bell at **9:30am on Thursday, September 12.** Register online or at the tables **today.**

**New Call For Art for Children - Adults:** *We Can Only Imagine-When Jesus Returns.* Find the Call for Art packet in Welcome Center and [pbcc.org/ministries/art](http://pbcc.org/ministries/art).

### Praise & Prayer Requests

*Praise God for...*

1. humble, faithful and unafraid Christian believers.
2. the Good Samaritan who took my roommate to Urgent Care after a bike spill.
3. the 30 days of FMLA/State Disability to recover from my medical disorder.
4. Connections Sunday which is coincidentally timed right before our major Jesus Otaku outreach at Crunchyroll Expo.

*Please pray for ...*

1. my future in-laws to come to know and accept the love of Jesus, and for their healing and long-term care.
2. salvation and healing for a young man with Crohn's Disease.
3. my wife's surgery to go well and have a positive outcome.
4. my son, for God's guidance, strengthening faith, protection and peace as he makes decisions for his family, possibly changing jobs and relocating.
5. a new location for Woman's Bible Study Fellowship.
6. wisdom regarding living situations for a senior recovering from a stroke.
7. Jesus to draw my Muslim colleague to himself.
8. the Holy Spirit to reveal the sins of a non-believing associate professor, bring her to repentance and show her the way to knowing God in Jesus.

### Financial Report

July 2019	received	disbursed	gain/(loss)
General Fund	\$182,967	\$188,427	(\$5,460)
Gen. Fund 12 mo. average	\$193,082	\$184,872	\$8,210
Need Fund	\$5,135	\$300	
Missions Fund	\$18,572	\$13,752	

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## Shipwrecked!

Acts 27:1-44



The clouds poured down water;  
the heavens resounded with thunder;  
your arrows flashed back and forth.  
Your thunder was heard in the whirlwind;  
your lightning lit up the world;  
the earth trembled and quaked.  
Your path led through the sea,  
your way through the mighty waters;  
Though your footprints were not seen.

Psalm 77:17-19 (NIV)

# Sunday, August 25, 2019

Music: James Garcia and Team  
Host: Christine Berlier  
Message: Brian Morgan

## Call to Worship: 1 Chronicles 16:31-34

- <sup>31</sup> Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice,  
and let them say among the nations, “The LORD reigns!”  
<sup>32</sup> Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;  
let the field exult, and everything in it!  
<sup>33</sup> Then shall the trees of the forest sing for joy  
before the LORD, for he comes to judge the earth.  
<sup>34</sup> Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;  
for his steadfast love endures forever! (ESV)

## Scripture Reading: Mark 4:35-39

<sup>35</sup> On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, “Let us go across to the other side.” <sup>36</sup> And leaving the crowd, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. And other boats were with him. <sup>37</sup> And a great windstorm arose, and the waves were breaking into the boat, so that the boat was already filling. <sup>38</sup> But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion. And they woke him and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” <sup>39</sup> And he awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm. (ESV)

### Songs:

Jesus (C. Tomlin, E. Cash)  
What A Beautiful Name (B. Fielding, B. Ligertwood)  
Forever (C. Tomlin)  
At Your Name (T. Hughes, P. Wickham)  
Another In The Fire (C. Davenport, J. Houston)  
Come Thou Fount (R. Robinson, J. Wyeth)

## Summary of Luke’s Travelogue: Acts 27:1-44

1. **Caesarea to Sidon: Paul is encouraged with fellowship (vv. 1-3)**
    - Luke and Aristarchus join Paul on his voyage.
    - In Sidon, the centurion grants Paul permission to visit the brethren, who send Paul off with supplies for the journey.
  2. **Sidon to Myra, changing ship to Fair Havens: Paul is keenly observant (vv. 4-9)**
    - Contrary winds make sailing difficult; they must sail east of Cyprus and hug the coast to Myra.
    - The centurion changes ships to a larger grain vessel to secure the fastest access to Rome.
    - The larger ship fares no better and with great difficulty they sail to Cnidus.
    - From Cnidus they are forced to sail south to Crete and hug the coastline until reaching the small port of Fair Havens.
  3. **Paul’s advice is not heeded: Paul is disappointed, but submits (vv. 9-12)**
    - Paul advises the centurion that they will suffer great losses if they continue.
    - The centurion trusts the pilot and they take the risk and put out to sea, hoping to spend the winter in Phoenix.
  4. **The storm hits with a vengeance: Terror and loss of hope (vv. 13-17)**
    - The winds initially seem favorable, but soon after hurricane force winds drive them out to sea.
    - Five precautionary measures are taken to save the ship.
    - After eleven days of darkness, all hope of being saved is abandoned.
-  **Turning point in the narrative**
5. **Paul’s three interventions for encouragement, safety and strength: Paul is respected and obeyed (vv. 21-38)**
    - His call to keep courage (vv. 21-26)
    - His call to stay together (vv. 27-32)
    - His call to take food and be encouraged (vv. 33-38)

## 6. Shipwreck and salvation: God fulfills his promise and the centurion saves the prisoners (vv. 39-44)

- The crew spots a bay with a beach; they cast off the anchors and hoist the sail to land on the beach.
- Striking a reef, they run aground. The bow remains in tact while the stern is broken up.
- The soldiers’ plan to kill the prisoners is overturned by the centurion and all are brought safely to land.

### Reflections on God, Paul and Shipwrecks

- A. Have you ever experienced a “shipwreck” and felt marooned because of the poor choices of others?
- B. What impact did that have on you? How did you respond?
- C. Were you delivered?
- D. Where was God in your boat?
- E. Go back and trace the “way” God used Paul to bring about deliverance.
  - 1.
  - 2.
  - 3.
  - 4.
  - 5.
  - 6.
  - 7.
  - 8.
- F. What new perspective does this text give you about being delivered through “storms and shipwrecks”?