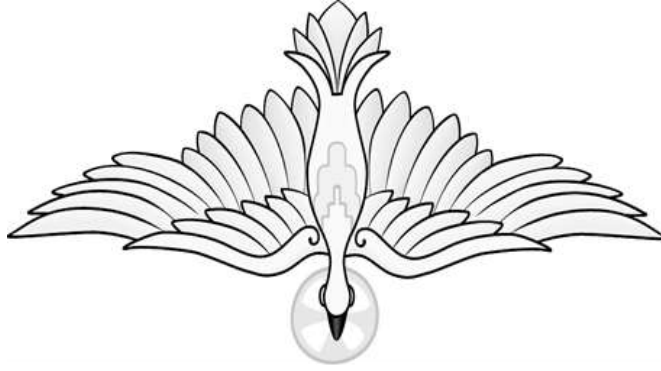


Old First Presbyterian Church



**Sunday
January 28, 2024**

Worship Through Praising God

Please fill out a guest card found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher.

Silence is requested as we prepare our hearts for worship.

** At the asterisk, please rise in body or spirit.*

Prelude From Eight Little Preludes and Fugues
Prelude and Fugue in D minor
Prelude and Fugue in E minor Attributed to J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Welcome and Church Life

Introit Hal H. Hopson (born 1933)

O come let us sing unto God;
Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.
Sing and rejoice!

From Psalm 95

*Call to Worship

Leader We've come to worship God,
People who loved us before we were yet born,
Leader who knows us even better than we know ourselves,
People whose presence never leaves us,
Leader who writes our names in the book of creation
People and who reads us with love and forgiveness.
Leader Our God's whose love for us never ceases.
People Let's worship together!

Andrea Segura Smith

***Hymn 451 Open My Eyes, That I Might See**

- 1 **Open my eyes, that I might see glimpses of truth thou hast for me.
Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.
 Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, they will to see.
 Open my eyes; illumine me, Spirit divine.**
- 2 **Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear.
And while the wave notes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear.
 Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God thy will to see.
 Open my ears; illumine me, Spirit divine!**
- 3 **Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere.
Open my heart, and let me prepare love with thy children thus to share.
 Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God thy will to see.
 Open my heart; illumine me, Spirit divine!**

**Prayer of
Confession**

Andrea Segura Smith

**Because we are so focused on ourselves, God of every life,
it is hard to see the lives which others endure.
When we are so worried about how the economy will affect us,
we do not notice those in need around us.
As we grumble about our aches and pains,
and about how difficult it is to get out of the bed each day,
we easily ignore the broken.
Forgive us,
 God of goodness and grace.
Speak to us of healing,
 so we might bring help to others
Speak to us of grace,
 so, hearing, we may share it with everyone we meet.
Speak to us of love and life,
 so we may offer it as freely as Jesus Christ,
 our Lord and Savior, brought it to us. Amen.**

***Assurance of
Forgiveness**

Leader

**Come and see!
God's grace is poured out on everyone.
God's hope is freely shared in every moment.
Forgiveness is the gift which mends our foolish lives.**

People

**Thanks be to God.
We are surrounded by God's love and mercy,
now and to the very end!**

***Hymn 583**

Jacques Berthier (1923-1994)

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!
Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!**

Offering

Ushers will now receive the offering. You may also make your offering electronically using the QR-code to the right.



Anthem

Come Sunday

Duke Ellington (1899-1974)

Chelsea Hollow, soprano; Kirsten Fleischmann, alto
Michael Desnoyers, tenor; Sergey Khalikulov, bass

Come Sunday, O come Sunday, that's the day!
Lord, dear Lord above: God almighty, God of love,
Please look down and see my people through.

I believe that God put sun and moon up in the sky:
I don't mind the gray skies
'Cause they're just clouds passing by.
Come Sunday...

Heaven is a goodness time, a brighter light on high.
Do unto others as you would have them do unto you:
And have a brighter by and by.
Come Sunday...

I believe God is now, was then, and always will be.
With God's blessing we can make it through eternity
Come Sunday...

***Doxology**

Sung to the Tune OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, you heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**Time with
Our Children**

***The Peace**

Leader Peace be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Worship Through Hearing God's Word

**Prayers of the
People**

Andy Cheng

Prayer Partners

Gordon Phipps, Chloe Pollock, Phil Pollock, Spencer Pollock, Glen
Potter, Dortha Reade, Linda Reyder, AnnieScott Rogers

The Lord's Prayer **Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Scripture Psalm 139:13-18 (pp. 545-546), Luke 4:16-22 (p. 57)

Leader For the Word of God in scripture,
For the Word of God within us,
For the Word of God among us,

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Pastor Henderson

Worship Through Responding to God's Word

- *Hymn 772 Live into Hope**
- 1 Live into hope of captives freed,
of sight regained, the end of greed.
The oppressed shall be the first to see
the year of God's own jubilee!**
 - 2 Live into hope! The blind shall see
with insight and with clarity,
removing shades of pride and fear,
a vision of our God brought near.**
 - 3 Live into hope of liberty,
the right to speak, the right to be,
the right to have one's daily bread,
to hear God's word and thus be fed.**
 - 4 Live into hope of captives freed
from chains of fear or want or greed.
God now proclaims our full release
to faith and hope and joy and peace.**

Blessing of the Little Free Library
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Please take a book as you leave and then meet outside on Sacramento Street near our new Little Free Library to close our worship service. After blessing the library, we will head inside for Coffee Hour.

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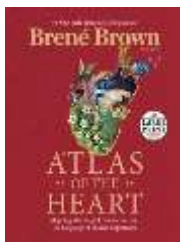
4th Saturday Community Dinner, January 27

This month's 4th Saturday Community Dinner falls on this coming Saturday, January 27. Can you help serve the meal and feast with our guests at the dinner? Volunteers are welcomed from 4:30 pm on. Let us know you can help: 4thsaturdaydinners@oldfirst.org

Annual Meeting of the Congregation, February 4

Mark your calendars for Old First's annual meeting of the congregation on Sunday, February 4, when we will learn about our church budget for 2024, vote on Pastor Maggi's annual compensation package, and elect new officers to serve on Session and on the Board of Deacons.

New Book for 2024: *Atlas of the Heart* Starting February 4 and 5



A new book discussion begins in February. The book will be Brené Brown's *Atlas of the Heart: Mapping Meaningful Connections and Language of the Human Heart*. Beginning with February, we will meet once a month to discuss one chapter from the book until we've finished the whole book.

Each month you can choose between an in-person meeting and an on-line meeting. We'll hold the in-person meeting on the **first Sunday** of each month. We'll meet in the library **after coffee hour** – soup will be provided. We'll hold our first in-person meeting on Sunday, February 4.

We'll hold the on-line meeting on the **first Monday** of each month at **7 pm** via Zoom. We'll hold our first on-line meeting on Monday, February 5:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81744087981?pwd=TVVOUVptVldlMll1T2VFQ2ZMMWl0QT09>

We'll cover the same material at both meetings. Whether in-person or on-line, each meeting will last an hour. For February, we will discuss the introduction and the first chapter of the book: "Places We Go When Things are Uncertain or Too Much."

Please tell pastor Maggi or call the church office to let her know which meeting you will attend. For the link to the Monday night sessions via Zoom, watch for Maggi's Saturday E-mail or contact the church office.

Dismantling Structural Racism, February 10

The West Region Antiracism Group will be holding a hybrid gathering about dismantling structural racism on Saturday, February 10, 12:00 noon to 3:30 pm, at Old First. The guest speaker will be the Reverend Floyd Thompkins, lead pastor of St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, Marin City. A panel of five cross-cultural partnerships and coalitions will speak about their work to dismantle structural racism. Please join us in -person or via Zoom. Please register by February 4 using this link:
<https://forms.gle/yyLBStA2nbsNJNv26>

Old First Staffs the Interfaith Food Pantry, February 10

Sign up now to pitch in when members of Old First and St Luke's combine to staff the Interfaith Food Pantry on February 10. Of course, you can sign up for any or for every Saturday: Simply visit the sign up page by using the QR-code to the right or by visiting Old First's homepage: www.oldfirst.org and following the link in the sidebar column.



Ash Wednesday Worship, February 14

This year Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on February 14. Join us at Old First that day for Ash Wednesday worship at 6:00 pm.

Potluck Lunch, February 18

Start looking forward to a potluck lunch on, Sunday, February 18. Food and fellowship make an amazing combination.

Memorial Service for Doris Bebb, February 25

Old First will remember our member Doris Bebb, who died on January 1, with a memorial service on Sunday, February 25, at 1:00 pm.

Ballot Proposition Review, February 25

Old First member, Betty Packard Voris, is chair of the San Francisco Ballot Simplification Committee. She will hold a review of the state and city propositions that will appear on the March ballot on Sunday, February 25, at 3 pm. Please join Betty for this informative discussion via Zoom on February 25:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87826096016?pwd=YWRydDVWSXIUK1pBeVdCUFlEWmR0QT09>

This Week at Old First

Sunday January 28

4:00 pm O1C: Ives Collective Concert

7:15 pm AA Friendly Circle, Fellowship Hall

Saturday February 3

9:00 am Interfaith Food Pantry: Volunteer today!
Simply use the QR-code to the right.

8:00 pm O1C: Circadian String Quartet, Program 1 Motherland:
Dvořák and Stravinsky

Sunday February 4

11:00 am Worship

After coffee hour Book Discussion Group, Library

4:00 pm O1C: Circadian String Quartet, Program 2 The Personal and the Political:
Schumann and Shostakovich

7:15 pm AA Friendly Circle, Fellowship Hall

Monday February 5

7:30 pm O1C: Earplay – The Poetry of Physics

