

A Message from Pastor Jay

On this Memorial Day weekend, Rev. Gary Gard shares a message entitled "memories." David Terrell serves as worship leader. Linda Foote provides music.

**WELCOMING EVERYONE BACK
TO WORSHIP AT 10:30 AM!**

**CONGREGATIONAL SINGING STARTS
NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 6**

**Per CDC Guidelines, Masks are Optional,
Social Distancing Measures Have Been
Lifted, But Individuals May Still Choose To
Distance As Desired. We No Longer Have The
8:30AM Service and Have Moved To 10:30AM
Only.**

**Nursery and Sunday school at the 10:30am
service**

ZOOM BIBLE STUDY OFF THIS WEEK

ZOOM SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP 2:00 PM

**Let us know if you want to be added to these
Zoom invitations**

BULLETIN

Prelude: "A Place at the Table"

Welcoming and Announcements

Rev.

Gary Gard

Children's Time

Call to Worship David Tyrrell

Leader: Lord, knowing you as our Good Shepherd, we have so many memories of you walking with us through the ups-n-downs of life.

People: Celebrating with us in our times of joy and laughter.

Leader: Embracing us when we have been overwhelmed by sadness and dismay.

People: You have helped us to stand when we have been afraid.

Leader: You are The Power that empowers us. You are the anchor of our hopes and dreams.

Congregational Prayer (Unison) David Tyrrell

Lord, our calendars are marked with dates reminding us of birthdays, anniversaries, appointments, holidays, events needing to be remembered. On this Memorial Day weekend, we remember and give thanks for those who have given their lives, so that others might know peace. Because we are human, we know that their battles were not just with the enemy. There were times when they fought battles within themselves; battles between fear and bravery, daring and doubt. As we remember those who dared to fall so we might stand, give us courage to help others stand in pursuit of their dreams. In Christ we pray. Amen.

Scripture Readings David Tyrrell

Deuteronomy 16:1-

3

25:34-40

Matthew

The Sermon: "Memories" Rev. Gary Gard

Song: "We Shall Overcome" Brian Moore

Prayers of the Congregation and Lord's Prayer

Offering of Ourselves and our Gifts

Prayer of Dedication

Song: "God Whose Purpose is to Kindle"

Benediction (afterwards exit, or walk forward for self-serve communion)

Communion (for those desiring, walk forward and self-serve)

Postlude: "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

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MAY MISSION NEWS

Mission Outreach Update for May:

Each month we highlight a different mission outreach project. This month's mission emphasis project is **Frontera de Cristo** (FdC). This ecumenical border ministry in Aqua Prieta, Mexico (across from Douglas, AZ), is in partnership with several Aqua Prieta churches and local social service organizations to help meet the needs of migrants arriving at the border. Remembering Jesus' words in the Beatitudes, "Blessed are the peacemakers", The Rev. Mark Adams, FdC pastor/director, wrote this: "We are called to be a presence of peace. A presence of peace for those seeking asylum. A presence of peace for those threatened by kidnapping, extortion, rape, beatings by organized crime gangs and drug cartels. A presence of peace for those who locked in poverty." FdC services include:[1] assistance in completing legal immigration documents, [2] Health aid, [3] Shelter, food & clothing [4] Mental health counseling (many migrants manifest symptoms of PTSD) [5] Job training/placement for those choosing to remain in Aqua Prieta and [6] Christian education and worship opportunities. Donations to FdC can be made by making your check payable to the church, with the memo FdC. Mission donations which do not specify a particular project, will be disbursed as determined by our Mission team members.

So far this year mission disbursements have been made to: [1] Coalition for Compassion and Justice, \$625, [2] Prescott Community Cupboard, \$665, [3] Prescott Area Habitat for Humanity, \$1,840, [4] Prescott Area Shelter Service (PASS) \$1,100, [5] St Luke Ebony Christian Church, \$625, and [6] Franceny Gardea (DACA student) \$500. Franceny is earning her undergraduate degree in May from Prescott College and will continue her pursuit of a Master's Degree in Critical Psychology.

Thank you for remembering that we have been blessed to be a blessing [Genesis 12:2] Our Mission team members are: Becky and Bill Bryant, Helaine Berman, Patty and Gary Gard.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Video Tech Needed! \$50.00 / Week

We are looking for someone who wants to learn the video production and editing tasks. Jim will train the person during the 10:30am worship service.

Zoom Opportunities: Bible Study Sat. 10am / After Church Fellowship Sunday 2pm The Church office remains officially closed. Phone messages and emails are checked regularly.

MAY WORSHIP

**May 2 Abiding in Christ
Orthodox Easter John 15:1-8**

May 9 Mothers Day - John 15: 9-17

May 16 Sabbath Rest - Mark 2:23-3:6

**May 23 Pentecost - Acts 2:1-21
Remembrance of George Floyd Lynching**

**May 30 - Trinity Sunday (Rev. Gard preaching)
100th anniversary of Tulsa Black Wall Street Massacre**

TREASURER REPORT

Treasurer's Report for **March 31, 2021**
Presented to Cabinet 4/29/2021

Income vs Expense:

Income as of March 31 is \$34,314
\$29,819 from pledges and other contributions
\$575 from facility use
\$3,920 other income
Total expenses as of March 31 are \$34,837.
Total expenses exceed income by \$523.

Budget vs Actual: 25% of budget year
Income as of the end of March 31 is at 28% of the income budget of \$122,450. Year-to-date expenses are at 24% of the expense budget of \$146,905.

TULSA BACK WALL STREET MASSACRE 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

The 1921 Attack on Greenwood was one of the most significant events in Tulsa's history. Following World War I, Tulsa was recognized nationally for its affluent African American community known as the Greenwood District. This thriving business district and surrounding residential area was referred to as "Black Wall Street." In June 1921, a series of events nearly destroyed the entire Greenwood area.

May 31 – June 1, 1921

On the morning of May 30, 1921, a young black man named Dick Rowland was riding in the elevator in the Drexel Building at Third and Main with a white woman named Sarah Page. The details of what followed vary from person to person. Accounts of an incident circulated among the city's white community during the day and became more exaggerated with each telling.

Tulsa police arrested Rowland the following day and began an investigation. An inflammatory report in the May 31 edition of the Tulsa Tribune spurred a confrontation between black and white armed mobs around the courthouse where the sheriff and his men had barricaded the top floor to protect Rowland. Shots were fired and the

outnumbered African Americans began retreating to the Greenwood District.

In the early morning hours of June 1, 1921, Greenwood was looted and burned by white rioters. Governor Robertson declared martial law, and National Guard troops arrived in Tulsa. Guardsmen assisted firemen in putting out fires, took African Americans out of the hands of vigilantes and imprisoned all black Tulsans not already interned. Over 6,000 people were held at the Convention Hall and the Fairgrounds, some for as long as eight days.

Twenty-four hours after the violence erupted, it ceased. In the wake of the violence, 35 city blocks lay in charred ruins, more than 800 people were treated for injuries and contemporary reports of deaths began at 36. Historians now believe as many as 300 people may have died.

In order to understand the Tulsa Race Massacre it is important to understand the complexities of the times. Dick Rowland, Sarah Page and an unknown gunman were the sparks that ignited a long smoldering fire. Jim Crow, jealousy, white supremacy, and land lust, all played roles in leading up to the destruction and loss of life on May 31 and June 1, 1921.

COVID-19 UPDATE FROM CABINET

Worship Will Be At 10:30am Each Sunday

Per CDC Guidelines, Masks are Optional, Social Distancing Measures Have Been Lifted, But Individuals May Still Choose To Distance As Desired. Congregational Singing Will Begin June 6.

Nursery and Sunday school at the 10:30am service

SUPPORT YOUR CHURCH DURING CORONAVIRUS!

- Online – go to our website: www.fccprescott.org and look for the tab on the front page
- You can set up regular, ongoing giving or one-time giving.
- Use your credit card and get some points!
- Your bank may have free online bill pay. You find the tab on your online account, fill in the details of the check as you would a regular check, and the bank mail will mail it for you! You can set up a one-time check or recurring scheduled check amount.
- Make a check out to the church and mail it to: 216 East Gurley Street, Prescott, AZ 86301

The church office is closed going forward, However, someone will pick up the mail on a daily basis to place checks into the safe.

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