



# The Trumpet

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## *From the Pastor's Desk*

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

This fall in the Pastor's Bible Study, we are going to be focused on Jesus' Sermon On The Mount – Matthew 5–7.

Matthew is the first Gospel in our New Testament, though it is unlikely to have been the first gospel written. Much of Matthew has been derived from the Gospel of Mark. As best we can tell, Matthew was written to a primarily Jewish-Christian audience.

It is an account of Jesus' life; not a simple biography of dates and accomplishments, but a narrative history of God's saving activity in and through Jesus Christ. God's grace is shown in the climactic death and resurrection of Jesus, which is the heart of the gospel. The gospel was not designed as a chronological record of the days like a newspaper; rather, it is a *thematic* re-telling of the importance of Jesus' life around five collections of Jesus' sayings.

It is a teaching document. It is structured to interpret the meaning of the events of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection to a community in order that they would believe the good news of God's salvation by grace through faith. That's a long sentence, but the gist of it is this: what God did in time with Jesus is essential to our lives.

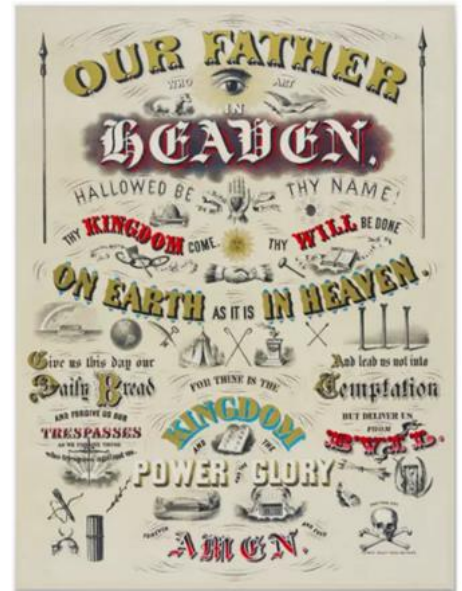
If you turn to Matthew 1, you notice that the Gospel does not begin with the birth of Jesus. It begins with a lineage of Jesus' ancestry. Take a look at the genealogy Matthew provides. You will see that it is paragraphed into three sections: the first section is the Patriarchs, the second section is the Kings, and the third section is from the time of exile. God had been at work for generations preparing for the day Jesus would be born.

If you want to tie a group of scholars in knots, ask them what the genealogy means.

The Sermon on the Mount is the first of five discourses of Jesus in Matthew. It is the longest and most comprehensive. In the Sermon, Jesus expresses, teaches, reveals, and exhorts people to understand that the righteousness of the Kingdom of God – the standard for how life will be lived in the presence of God – is a "better-than" version of the covenant established with Moses at Sinai.

### **Why Now?**

It always is a good time to study the Sermon on the Mount. The specific reason to look now is because I believe we are in a Spring Training–type of situation as the church. The call to be witnesses in Carson City and beyond looks very different now than it did prior to the pandemic. The message is the same, but there is a renewed understanding of how essential are relationships to expressing the love of God to those who do not yet know Him. Thus, it is good to go back to basics to remember who we are and how we are called to be.



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The Sermon on the Mount gives us the fundamentals. It begins with the famous beatitudes, "Blessed are ..." statements. They serve as the foundation piece, as in: these are the characteristics of Christians. Then comes the essence piece: believers are salt and light. What follows from there is a much longer reflection of how the righteousness expressed in the law handed down by Moses was accurate, but the spirit of that righteousness needed to be integrated in the whole of the person; that is, it is not works righteousness, but a right relationship with God that is essential.

Being in right relationship with God *prepares* us to be in right relationship with one another. Being in right relationship with God *equips* us to be in right relationship with one another. Being in a right relationship with God *enables* us to be in a right relationship with one another. The discipline of fundamentals – the things Jesus revealed in this Sermon – are the foundation for how we learn to love our neighbor as ourselves.

The stronger we are together, the better we are able to share with others who are lost or questioning or despairing or are in crisis. In short: studying the Sermon on the Mount is our way of preparing to be sent out to "open the gospel to Carson City and beyond."

Come join us on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. or 6:30 p.m. beginning September 14.

Your brother in Christ,

**Bob Davis**



A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who helps with dinner items for the C.I.R.C.L.E.S. meetings! People attending the group's Wednesday night dinners have been eating well and they greatly appreciate it. Thank you to all who have stepped up to help. When they tell me how good it is, I say I wasn't the one who did this, but it was the congregation!

Sharon Hughes, CIRCLES Ambassador



Every Sunday we have beautiful flowers in the Sanctuary that always enhance the worship environment. If you have extra medium-large vases that you do not need, please bring them to the office or contact Jane Hancock so we can provide the vase for these flowers each week. Thank you!

**TRUMPET DEADLINE FOR**

**SEPTEMBER**

Is August 15

Send your info / articles / submissions to [margo@fpccarsoncity.org](mailto:margo@fpccarsoncity.org)

**Congregational Giving—General Budget**

2022 Projected

	Budget Need	Given	Difference
<i>July 15, 2022</i>			
Yr. to Date	\$254,846	\$239,076	- \$ 15,772
Current Month	Income	Expense	Difference
	\$ 15,966	\$ 15,394	- \$ 572
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	\$ 1,730	\$ 5,200	- \$ 3,470

# Family Ministries

## Scenes from our Independence Day BBQ



Mark your calendars!

**Saturday, August 20**

**August Alliteration Adventure**

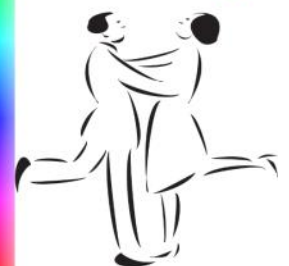
**Casserole Cookoff   Film Festival   Song Soiree**

**See Sherri to sign up to bring a  
casserole.**

**September**

**30**

**Sock Hop**





## Summertime and Music

This summer's music selections and choices have been a challenge to pick out for the choir. Choir normally doesn't meet during the summer season, but this year, as the new Director of Music Ministries, I've decided to have them meet. They haven't been rehearsing for the past year and needed the chance to get caught up with their vocal techniques and training. Fortunately, the choir has been very open to this, and have been dedicated to attending summer rehearsals when available. I have been selecting pieces that are light and vocally pleasing to the ear.

Wanting to start including the praise team and choir together, I have added a couple of pieces that are performed as a combination of the Choir and Praise Team. One of the pieces, performed July 17th, was called, "Rise Up ( Lazarus)." This piece worked well with both groups and was very uplifting to the soul. In addition, the choir will be performing a beautiful piece called, "Lord, Make Me An Instrument Of Thy Peace" during the July 31<sup>st</sup> worship service. The melodic serenity of this piece gives us hope and understanding.

There will be Special Music provided by several guest performers. On July 31<sup>st</sup>, Jeanne Hansen will be performing a violin solo accompanied by Lynda Norris. August 14<sup>th</sup>, a string trio will perform, led by harpist Mary Law.

Besides singing various works throughout the summer, we are now starting on our fall music, and our Christmas Cantata, "Let There Be Christmas" by Joseph M. Martin. The Cantata is very exciting and includes the congregation singing along with the choir at various times throughout the presentation. It is a combination of new and old Christmas music, taking us back to times of wonderful childhood memories, and devotion to our Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ! It is going to be a time of celebration and family, honoring our Savior's birth.

God's Blessings,

**Stewart Peebles**



If you would like to sing with the choir or praise team, you would be very welcome! Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings in the Sanctuary for the praise team and Thursday evenings in the Library for the choir. Stewart would be more than happy to field any questions you may have—give him a call at the office Monday through Thursday 9:00-4:00 (775) 882-1032 x 216

### GRACE NOTES HANDBELLS

FPC owns four octaves of handbells; Grace Notes has seven bell ringers. That means they can play only 14 or so of our beautiful bells. Result?

**A lot of lonely handbells that could be rung and music that could be more interesting!**

Do you read music? Are you free every Wednesday from 9-10am? Please consider joining Grace Notes! Rehearsals begin August 24.

Call Paul Weaver today.

### Did you know?

The **988 Suicide Prevention & Crisis Lifeline** went live across the nation on July 16, 2022. This is a huge advancement in behavioral health crisis care in the nation's history. 988 will be invaluable to individuals of all walks of life, specifically, those who struggle with behavioral health, substance misuse, and suicidal thoughts.

**If you or someone you know needs mental health help, please don't hesitate to call 988.**



## Coming Soon to FPC

The Mission Committee would like you to know that in September we will be bringing to you the Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF) movie, "End of the Earth." Several mission committee members saw this movie in the theater this spring. We now bring it to you FREE. It will be shown in the Family Life Center where popcorn, of course, will be served and maybe other refreshments.

Our MAF missionary, Tim Imbrock, wants us to know that this movie is stories of real people. This is not a Hollywood dramatization. The people are the real people living out life just the way they do every day, bringing Jesus to people around the world.

So stay tuned, watch the bulletin and September Trumpet for the date of this showing. All are welcome. Invite your family, neighbors and friends. It is for all ages. If nursery care is needed, that will be provided.

Call or see Charlene Rodman if you have any questions or would like to help with this mission movie night.

Your Mission Committee

### Life Choices Fundraiser Updates

This year we have again had the privilege of giving generously to our much needed mission, Life Choices Community Pregnancy Clinic. First we had fun picking up and filling baby bottles with change and checks. Thank you for your generous gifts. It is reported that a total of \$36,305.75 was given. First Presbyterian Church's gifts for this Baby Bottle Boomerang was \$2,104.69. Thank you!

Second, there was the program at the Carson City Community Center. We sold 26 tickets. I was not able to go but am told that everyone who attended and heard Michael Jr. speak was impressed and entertained. The center was nearly full with attendees. Another very successful fund raiser for a good cause. Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets and attended this fun event.

Thank you for your ongoing support for the Mission Committee and all of our deserving mission causes. They are all sharing Jesus with those they serve in your name. Bless you all,

Charlene Rodman, Mission Committee

### Another Type of Mission Opportunity—Prayer Partners

"We are a people of prayer," Pastor Bob reminds us often. Prayer is such an essential part of our faith walk. Having a God who know us, hears us, and loves us beyond what we can imagine is an amazing privilege. As a part of this faith community, we are entrusted with caring for and encouraging each other. One way we can do that is to hold each other up in prayer. Even though we see each other once a week, (and sometimes more) we may not be aware of the struggles our brothers and sisters are experiencing. By getting to know each other better, we can better serve someone as a Prayer Partner.

One way we've been getting to better know Fellowship Dinners we have a couple of small group of people who you may not



Another way we can begin to know people offering Prayer Partners willing to pray with service. Two people each week, stand in

service in order to be available to pray. You can come forward and ask for prayer for something specific, e.g., health concerns, financial difficulties, relationship issues, etc., or you can simply ask for general prayer. One person wanted prayer because, "It has been a really tough week." You don't have to give specifics or share more than you're comfortable with. Our goal is to pray with you, walking beside you in whatever way we can.

God loves to hear our prayers. He loves His children to be focused on Him and His love. If you're comfortable praying with people and would like to be a Prayer Partner, give me a call. If you want someone to pray with you, come up to the front following the service and allow us the privilege of praying with you. Through prayer, we are all blessed and it helps us draw closer to God.

Nina Sattely



Thank you to our caring congregation during my COVID days. You were all caring in so many ways. Thank you for your calls, cards, texts and food. You are all appreciated by me. Bless you all. And mostly thank you for your healing prayers.

Charlene Rodman

**ON OUR PRAYER LIST**  
Names removed for privacy

As of 07-20-2022



Names removed for privacy



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**Active-Duty Military:** Names removed for privacy



# Other News You Can Use!!

**Holiday Art & Craft Fair**  
*Handmade Gifts for that special person.*  
First Presbyterian Church Carson City  
115 N. Division Street, Carson City

Friday, October 21, 5:00 - 8:00 pm  
Saturday, October 22, 9:00 am-3:00 pm

Entrance fee \$1.00  
or a can of food to be donated to the  
*Northern Nevada Dream Center -  
bringing hope, relief and God's love to our local community.*

Accepting applications for upcoming craft fair.  
See [www.fpccarsoncity.org](http://www.fpccarsoncity.org) for details.

All items must be handmade by the crafter/artist.



## HOLIDAY ART & CRAFT FAIR

Plans are coming along for the October Holiday Craft Fair to help fund the Old Sanctuary Preservation.

To make this Fair successful, **volunteers are needed** to help set up (marking vendor spaces, clearing out the Fellowship Hall and then putting things back before Sunday), to take fair visitors' entry fee, to sell raffle tickets, and to assist in selling church craft donations.

**If you are a craft person** and would like to donate an item or two to sell or for the raffle, that would be awesome! Or, if you are a craft person looking for a way to sell your holiday wares, special vendor rates are available for First Presbyterian Church members. We are asking for an item to be donated to the raffle and 10% of your sales; space rental will be waived.

See or call Grace Speicher for details and to volunteer. Information is also available at [www.fpccarsoncity.org](http://www.fpccarsoncity.org).



This year Children's Sunday School grades 1-3 will focus on people in the Bible, how God used them, and how their faith in God carried them through trials. We will also learn how our faith in God and Jesus can carry us through our own trials and explore how God uses us to help others. Grades 4-6 will focus on Bible Basics. These are lessons all kids can use in their everyday lives.

If you have any questions about Children's Sunday School please talk with Karen Klug or Sherri Gurney.



Pastor Bob's Video Study concludes on August 24th. A short break will be taken with the new class beginning on September 14—10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall and 6:30 pm in the PresbyPod and via Zoom.

## ZEPHYR POINT FALL WORK DAY

Saturday, September 10

Plans are being made for the fall work day at Zephyr Point Presbyterian Conference Center. Join us to spend an enjoyable day at Lake Tahoe. Various maintenance projects are always needing volunteers help complete – carpentry, gardening, staining, demolition, and more.














Coffee and goodies are available Saturday morning at 7:30 am. Work will begin about 8:00 am. Work all day or until you are tired! Lunch will be provided by Zephyr Point

Sign-ups begin Sunday, August 7 in the Narthex. See Grace or Bob Speicher for more information .

**We are looking for extra hands to help out with Coffee Fellowship Hour** before and after worship each Sunday. This is a wonderful opportunity to serve others and have some fun and fellowship doing it! You can sign up at the fellowship food table – there is space for set-up or clean-up, and we are always looking for people to take the lead in organizing each Sunday's refreshments. If you have questions, please see Linda Ritter – always in the kitchen before and after worship!



# AUGUST

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
	<p><b>11:00 am:</b> Women's Bible Study – Library</p>	<p><b>8:30 am:</b> SON Rise Women's Bible Study – Location Varies</p>	<p><b>7:30 am:</b> Men's Bible Study – Mallard's</p> <p><b>10:00 am:</b> Pastor's Study – Fellowship Hall</p> <p><b>5:00 pm:</b> CIRCLES Mtg – FLC &amp; Library</p> <p><b>6:30 pm:</b> Pastor's Study – PresbyPod Studio</p> <p><b>7:00 pm:</b> Praise Team Rehearsal – Sanctuary</p>	<p><b>7:30 am:</b> Wilson Men's Fellowship – Mallard's</p> <p><b>7:00 pm:</b> Choir Rehearsal - Library</p>	<p>OFFICE CLOSED</p> <p><b>6:30 am:</b> Berean Men's Bible Study – Library</p>	 Wiggle Your Toes Day
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<p><b>9:45 am:</b> Grades 1-3 Sunday School</p> <p><b>10:00 am:</b> Communion Worship Service followed by Coffee Fellowship</p>	<p><b>11:00 am:</b> Women's Bible Study – Library</p> <p style="text-align: center;">             International Cat Day         </p>	<p><b>8:30 am:</b> SON Rise Women's Bible Study – Location Varies</p> <p><b>5:30 &amp; 7:00 pm:</b> Cmte Mtgs – all rooms</p>	<p><b>7:30 am:</b> Men's Bible Study – Mallard's</p> <p><b>10:00 am:</b> Pastor's Study – Fellowship Hall</p> <p><b>5:00 pm:</b> CIRCLES Mtg – FLC &amp; Library</p> <p><b>6:30 pm:</b> Pastor's Study – PresbyPod Studio</p> <p><b>7:00 pm:</b> Praise Team Rehearsal – Sanctuary</p>	<p><b>7:30 am:</b> Wilson Men's Fellowship – Mallard's</p> <p><b>7:00 pm:</b> Choir Rehearsal - Library</p>	<p>OFFICE CLOSED</p> <p><b>6:30 am:</b> Berean Men's Bible Study – Library</p> <p style="text-align: center;">             World Elephant Day         </p>	
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
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<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
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Blessed are the  
poor in spirit,  
for theirs is the  
kingdom of  
heaven.

MATTHEW 5:3

Blessed are they  
who mourn,  
for they will  
be comforted.

MATTHEW 5:4



Blessed are  
the meek,  
for they will  
inherit the  
earth.

MATTHEW 5:5

Blessed are  
they who hunger  
and thirst  
for righteousness,  
for they will  
be satisfied.

MATTHEW 5:6



Blessed are  
the merciful,  
for they  
will be shown  
mercy.

MATTHEW 5:7

Blessed are  
the pure  
in heart,  
for they will  
see God.

MATTHEW 5:8



Blessed are  
the peacemakers,  
for they will be  
called children  
of God.

MATTHEW 5:9

Blessed are they  
who are persecuted  
for the sake of  
righteousness,  
for theirs is the  
kingdom of heaven.

MATTHEW 5:10

Blessed are you  
when they insult you  
and persecute you  
and utter every  
kind of evil  
against you  
because of me.

MATTHEW 5:11



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**This Month's Sermons**

**August 7**

**John 12:36b-50**

**"Why?"**

**August 14**

**John 13:1-20**

**"Do You Know What I Have Done?"**

**August 21**

**John 13:21-38**

**"Betrayal and Glory"**

**August 28**

**John 14:1-14**

**"Lord, Show Us The Father"**

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