

# Welcome

We're so glad you're with us for worship today. Our prayer is that you will experience God's presence and power in your life. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, we hope First Presbyterian Corona becomes a place you can call home.



*Our mission is to live out the good news of Jesus Christ.*

*\*We invite you to stand if you are comfortable standing.  
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	DATE	TIME		
Sun.	Sep. 8	11:00	AM	Worship (Lockup: Sue Bain)
Tues.	Sep. 10	9:30	AM	Transformed Ladies Bible Study
Sat.	Sep. 14	10:00	AM	Presbytery meeting—via Zoom

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September 8, 2024

23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 A.M.

## We Enter to Worship

**Prelude** Pianist Delia E. Martinez-Samojluk

**Welcome & Announcements** Elder Marilyn Mittelstadt

One: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.

**All: The old life has gone; a new life has begun.** 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 5:17a

**\*Gathering Song** We Are God's People—vs. 1,3-4 #13 (Joyful Noise)

### \*Call to Worship

One: Lord, open our hearts this morning to hear your words of compassion.

**All: Lord, help us to truly listen to you.**

One: Lord, open our spirits this morning to strengthen our faith.

**All: Lord, make us ready to witness to your healing love.**

**\*Hymn** O for a Closer Walk with God #396

**Prayer of Confession** Guest Pastor Nancy Richmond

**All: Patient Lord, You know us so well. We are fascinated by healing, but we do not understand the compassion of Christ. Please forgive us, Lord, when our greed and fear get in the way of understanding. Get us ready to be faithful witnesses to You. It is in Jesus' Name that we pray. Amen.**

### Assurance of Pardon

### \*Gloria Patri

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.*

### Passing of the Peace

**\*Hymn** Loving Spirit #323

### Youth Message

**We Hear a Word from the Lord**

**Prayer for Illumination**

Pastor Nancy

All: "The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes. More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb. By them also is Your servant enlightened, and in keeping them there is great reward. Amen. Psalm 19:8, 10-11.

**Scripture**

James 2:1-10, 14-17

Liturgist: Awu Ncha, Sr.

**Message**

Forbidden Favoritism

**We Respond in Joyful Service**

**\*Proclamation of Faith**

**The Apostles' Creed (Ecumenical)**

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again; He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

**Joys and Concerns**

Elder Marilyn

**Prayer of Intercession**

Pastor Nancy

**Offering**

**\*Doxology**

*Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

#592

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

**Peoples' Prayer**

Let us Pray

Now hear us as we pray the prayer Jesus taught His Disciples:

*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 for ever. Amen*

**We Go forth to Serve**

**\*Closing Hymn**

Be Thou My Vision

#339

**\*Postlude**

Delia E. Martinez-Samojluk

**\*Benediction**

Pastor Nancy

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CORONA**

**Guest Pastor** ..... Nancy Richmond  
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**SMALL GROUPS / ORGANIZATIONS**

**Transformed Ladies Bible Study** ..... Tuesday at 9:30 AM  
**Women's Bible Study** ..... 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday at 10:30 AM

**Joys & Concerns**

Marilyn - Thanks to God for watching over us and keeping us safe this week. Thanks for the special friends who have helped me this week. Prayers for Sue and for her problem student, Emily. Kathy - Prayers for the people of Sudan. Thanks for Delia and her beautiful music each week. Alison - Thanks for the fellowship we enjoy each week and for today's message. Continued prayers for Carolyn Wyser's son who is responding to his cancer treatments. Travel mercies for Awu and the twins. Sue - Prayers for all teachers and students. Kathy - prayers for her friend Eldon, who has heart issues. He is going to the hospital this week for tests. Terrie - prayers for her grandson, Jarren, who has had bleeding and heart issues. His heart is racing. The doctors say it is POTS, which is a form of tachycardia. Marilyn - Pray for people of Breakthrough Church. One of their youth attempted suicide. Kathy - A joy that her friends, Michelle and Debbie have both improved. Prayers for all the people of the world who are suffering from strife, war, and famine. Alison - Prayers for her friend, Gray, and his family. He is recovering from open heart surgery.

*Please pray during the coming week for the families of:*

- ◇ Margie Wilkerson
- ◇ Walt & Deneva Williams