

Sunday Worship

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"Topics of Danger?"

BY PASTOR DON GARDNER

"One of the unspoken rules of the American Culture is that conversations about religion, politics, or other personal beliefs are dangerous. To bring up such topics will most likely devolve into one person trying to convince another that their viewpoint is correct and that the listener is wrong."

I recently read this "warning" about living in this country. Yet, as an Ordained Minister of the Gospel, I suppose that I am one of those persons given both the expected privilege and responsibility of speaking up on, at least, one of those sensitive topics? Nonetheless, the quoting of writers, educators, theologians, or individuals that may have views on specific issues may be challenging to some listeners.

The role of preaching and teaching is to do more than merely indoctrinate Christian followers. Avoiding sensitive topics can never be what we learned from Jesus but that doesn't mean a minister should seek to antagonize without purpose. Jesus threw out the mantle of truth many a time with a full awareness that His ideas/concepts would be challenging His listeners....to their core! As is true of any good teacher, the hope is to engage the hearer with ideas and truths that assist that person to evaluate/consider how they may apply what they have heard to their own experience. Within the church context, it should be understood that the old Chinese adage is accurate for us all, **"Live till you are old, Learn till you are old!"** We are to be constantly in a growth mode even as we expand our understanding of God's plans for us. We are responsible to be active teachers and learners. This means that Christian teachers or preachers are to be available to the Holy Spirit's guidance for helping our church family stretch their thinking and purpose. I think it also obvious to us that there is a need for every member of our church to support all leaders of the church with strong prayer support. When any of us do planning or ministry without the Holy Spirit's leading, we err.

FCBC Order of Worship Sunday, February 6th, 2022

Join us for worship services on campus or online

English at 9:30AM | Chinese at 11:00AM

Livestream available: fbcphx.org/sermons

Welcome & Music | Deacon Jim Loui

Lord's Supper | Pastor Don Gardner

Scripture Reading | Pastor Dillon Le

Message | FC Pastor's Talk

Prayer | Closing

"Practical Challenges for Churches & Pastors Today"

Romans 15:14-21

Pastor Don & Pastor Dillon

Join us for a candid conversation between Pastor Don & Pastor Dillon on the ministry challenges in our church and nationally. Hear their heart for the church and how to move forward together in mission and purpose.

Announcements

"Deacons & Friends Meeting" | February 12th | 9:00am

On Feb. 12 (Sat) at 9:00, there will be a "Deacons & Friends" Zoom meeting. Please pray for these men as they discuss church challenges and direction

The February 12th Council Meeting has been postponed to March.

Please send any urgent items for discussion or attention to Pastor Don Gardner (donalddgardner@gmail.com) or through the [office](#) email address.

2022 FCBC Yard Sale | February 26th | 8:00am-12:00pm

Our FCBC Yard Sale is on Saturday, February 26th, from 8am-12pm. Donate your gently used items to Room B-1 (Choir Room) on Sundays, February 13th & 20th. All proceeds will be used for missions. Please contact Pastor Dillon with any questions. (Dillon.Le@fbcphx.org)

What then, brothers? When you come together, each one has a hymn, a lesson, a revelation, a tongue, or an interpretation. Let all things be done for building up.

1 Cor. 14:26