

Announcements

- **2023 Stewardship Collection Day**

November 27 is Victory Sunday for returning Pledge Cards for 2023 Giving Commitments. Please submit your card either in-person, email, or postal mail. Thanks for your faithfulness in giving to honor God and to support His ministries.

- **Guest Preacher - Pastor Terrence Shay | Dec. 11th**

Pastor Terrence Shay was born in Hong Kong, raised in Taiwan, and immigrated to the US with his family at age 8. He came to faith in Christ in junior high and was deeply shaped by the local church, where he also met his future wife. After graduating from UCLA and sensing a calling to vocational ministry, PT pursued his M.Div. in Discipleship and Evangelism from Talbot School of Theology and serves as the Family Ministry Associate Pastor at First Chinese Baptist Church of Walnut, CA.

- **Christmas Children's Program | Dec. 11th**

Children's Program will be on Sunday in between both Worship Services, starts from 10:30am, please prayer for the teachers and children as they prepare.

- **Lottie Moon Christmas Offering 2022**

As a Southern Baptist Church, we are privileged to be part of the mission to reach the nations with international mission board. 100% of your gifts go to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering to enable gospel transformation among the unreached. The goal for our church in year 2022 is \$15,000.

- **English Christmas Caroling | Dec. 21st**

Come and be a blessing to others as we sing Christmas carols and celebrate the birth of Christ! All are invited to join the English caroling group on Wednesday, December 21st, from 6:30pm - 9:00pm. Meet in the Family Life Center and stay afterwards for fellowship, hot cocoa, and snacks. Contact Randy Ong for more details.

- **Chinese Christmas Caroling**

We are considering Restaurants, Senior Citizen's Homes, and new friend's welcoming as our locations for singing. The time and dates are being set and we hope you'll be with us for this ministry. Look to next Sunday's Bulletin and announcements for more details.

- **Candlelight Service | Dec. 24th**

- **Combined Christmas Service | Dec. 25th**

FIRST CHINESE BAPTIST CHURCH OF PHOENIX, AZ SUNDAY WORSHIP NOVEMBER 27TH, 2022

Join us for worship services on campus or online

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

Livestream available: fcbcphx.org/sermons



FCBC Order of Sunday Worship

Welcome & Prayer	Ashley Yap
Worship Music	Praise Team
Announcements	Pastor Dillon Le
Lottie Moon Video	"Reaching the Nations"
Scripture Reading	Randall Ong
Sermon	Pastor Donald Gardner
Response Music & Closing	Praise Team

Upcoming Preaching Schedule:

Dec. 4th: Pastor Donald Gardner - ES & CS

Dec. 11th: Pastor Terrence Shay - ES & CS (GuangBin Translates)

Sermon Title:

Reviewing a Parable for Application (Wicked Farmers)

Scripture Reading: Matt. 21: 33-46

Preacher: Pastor Don Gardner

I. LANDOWNER (v. 33-35).... The farm was prepared for usage or rental.

II. LANDOWNER'S SERVANTS (34)....Landowner's representatives went to get renter's (farmers) pay for land usage.

III. THE RESPONSIBLE SON (37--39)...Obedient Son murdered for representing his father.

IV. THE LANDOWNER (v. 43-46)...The Landowner clarified the character issues of his renters.

*CONCLUSION OF THE MATTER: Is the Will of God my primary commitment?

WORDS: "Controversial is to be Expected"

Two weeks ago, the topic that I included in my "WORDS From a Pastor" brought an accurate comment from a brother who stated that my topic was controversial. His observation was correct. Anything these days seems to be controversial if we are speaking about something significant. My dear brother wasn't complaining about the topic entitled "Abortion or Murder" but was just pointing out that our society would find it questionable to bring up this sensitive issue in the way that I did. Even when reflecting on the birth of Jesus, many in our world would prefer not to consider that 50 years of legalized abortion doesn't make it anything that God would see as acceptable.

As I reflect on my mentor, Jesus, I have to recognize that he modeled a level of courage toward presenting "truth" that is hard for any of us to follow. The word "controversial" would have been an understatement to describe Christ. In Mark 11: 15-19, Jesus entered the temple and found people buying and selling by using the location as not more than a location for business matters so He acted decisively (and controversially) by removing those people in a very powerful way.

Mark 3: 1-6, Jesus healed a man's hand on the Sabbath and the Pharisees immediately responded by plotting how they might destroy Him! Controversy may well be what it is to follow Jesus as we are not here to impress people with our personal successes and fame but we serve to help others know what it is to be a follower of Jesus as their Lord!

Pastor Don

Church Activities Schedule		Current Participation Status
Monday 7PM	Basketball in FLC	Full
Thursday 7PM	Volleyball in FLC	Full
3rd Friday of each month 6:30PM	C.C. Fellowship FLC & Classroom	Open
Sunday 3PM	Volleyball in FLC	Open
1st Sunday of each month 1PM	Pickleball in FLC	Open

**Please contact the church office if you wish to organize other activities in the FLC.*



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