

Announcements

- **Council Meeting | Nov. 12th | Cancelled**
- **Church Prayer Meeting | Nov. 19th**
- **Thanksgiving Combined Service | Nov. 20th From 10:45AM**
On Nov 20th, both English and Chinese Sunday School will be held from 9:30 to 10:30. The Thanksgiving Combined Service starts from 10:45AM. Lunch will be provided after worship service at church FLC. Please pray for the preparation and invite your friends and family to join us!
- **Christmas Children's Program | Dec. 11th**
Children's Program will be on Sunday in between both Worship Services, please pray for the teachers and children involved.
- **Candlelight Service | Dec. 24th**
- **Combined Christmas Service | Dec. 25th**



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FIRST CHINESE BAPTIST CHURCH OF PHOENIX, AZ SUNDAY WORSHIP NOVEMBER 6TH, 2022

Join us for worship services on campus or online

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

Livestream available: fbcphx.org/sermons



FCBC Order of Sunday Worship

Welcome & Prayer	Ashley Yap & Gloria Revallo
Worship Music	Praise Team
Lord's Supper	Deacon Jim Loui
Scripture Reading	Avery Liu
Sermon	Pastor Donald Gardner
Response Music & Closing	Praise Team

Upcoming Preaching Schedule:

Nov. 13th: Pastor Donald Gardner – ES & CS

Nov. 20th: Pastor Donald Gardner – Combined Service



Sermon Title: "The Neglected Power for Mankind"

Scripture Reading: Matt. 6:9-13; Ephesians 2: 8-9;
Colossians 1: 9-12; Romans 10: 9-10
Preacher: Pastor Don Gardner

I. Thanksgiving Prayers:

II. Intercession as Prayer:

III. Prayer of Salvation:

WORDS: "Do Denominations have a place in our day?"

Less than 2 months ago, a new denomination was formed. On one hand, to learn of yet one more denomination being created seems unnecessary. On the other hand, we have to look at the rationale for this new body's existence. **The Diocese of the Southern Cross** is an Anglican body formed in Australia as a reaction to their previous denomination's growing compromises with global Episcopal stances toward Biblical Marriage. The global Episcopal denomination, which includes membership in the USA, Canada, Australia, Brazil, New Zealand, Europe and numerous other countries, has chosen to no longer to affirm Biblical marriage in favor of blessing same-sex unions. Those within **The Diocese of the Southern Cross** are persons who verbalize a great disappointment in their historic denomination's compromises with Biblical standards. These persons of the new denomination feel that their long-respected dependency on Scripture for truth has been ignored and forced their starting of the new denominational body. **The Diocese of the Southern Cross's** leadership has clarified for all that Biblical Authority is at the heart of their decision to create the new church body.

Unlike their previous Episcopal/Anglican body, the new denomination has expressed concern for the loss of clear Biblical witness to the saving gospel of Christ found in the old church body that they have departed. While still burdened for that denomination, this new body of brothers and sisters is focused on the Scripture as their guide for their behavior and beliefs.

It is easy to become comfortable within any denomination/church and find ourselves passive toward our beliefs. When that happens, we are following our "religion" and not Christ as Lord. I have to find great respect for the founders of The Diocese of the Southern Cross as they represent believers who would not compromise their understanding of Scriptural standards even to the point that they stepped away from the comforts and safety of all they had known in the past. May Christ truly be our Lord and the one who guides our steps each day!

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