

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF SAN RAFAEL

Founded in 1869, First Presbyterian Church is centrally located at 5th and E in downtown San Rafael in Marin County. Since the early 1890's, FPCSR has been active in social justice issues such as integration and advocacy for our immigrant populations, affordable housing and homelessness; we are a founding member of the REST emergency shelter. In recent years, we've launched service programs for disadvantaged children and youth.

From 1891-1972, a beautiful stone church stood on the property. This beloved building needed to be replaced by our current structure for earthquake safety. There are many historical gifts still enjoyed here, including bell chimes originally donated in 1913 by Capt. And Mrs. Robert Dollar and a beautiful stain glass window donated by William Kent in 1917.

For rental information,
please contact our office at 415-456-6760.

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WE CARE FOR EACH OTHER.

Through our web of relationships in this church community, we look out for each other. Long term friendships develop, but there are many ways for new people to get quickly acquainted through our various gatherings. We'll "plug you in!"



WE CARE FOR THE WORLD.

We express our faith through our actions. FPCSR's Youth on the Move program offers after-school enrichment classes to the underserved Short Elementary School and community service opportunities for older youth at risk. Our congregation prepares meals for the Mill Street Shelter and through the winter REST program, we offer food and shelter. Join with us to serve our County!

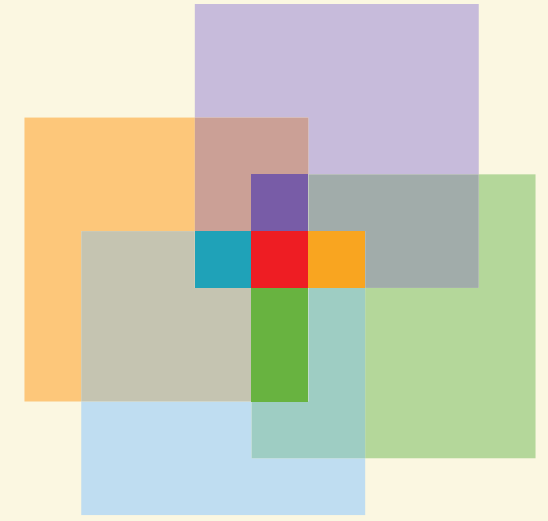
COME JOIN US AND GET INVOLVED!

There are many friends of FPCSR who join us for companionship and service. Come get refreshed at our services and come serve with us!

If you are interested in more formally joining with us, know that we regard membership as simply being commissioned to grow in your relationship with Spirit, and to engage in an authentic life of ministry with your own unique gifts and others by your side.

Whether or not you plan to become a formal member of FPCSR, do come and spend time with us! We welcome you.

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SAN RAFAEL

IS A VIBRANT & INCLUSIVE
COMMUNITY GROWING
TOGETHER IN FAITH,
HOPE & LOVE.

WE SEEK TO UNDERSTAND
& RESPOND CREATIVELY
TO THE NEEDS OF OUR
BROTHERS & SISTERS
HERE IN SAN RAFAEL,
IN MARIN COUNTY
& GLOBALLY.

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We are what some may call a “progressive church” – we seek to extend hospitality and love to everyone. On the corner of 5th and E since 1869, this church cares for our members and the greater Marin community, particular those who are underserved by our society. Our passion for service arises from our love of God and our desire to respond in gratitude by serving the world.

WE CELEBRATE AND GIVE THANKS



All are welcome to join our Sunday services with a variety of beautiful inspired music, inspirational readings and prayers, a short message by Rev. Jan Reynolds and guest pastors, and conversation with the congregation. Our Sunday morning services refresh us, inspire us and prepare us to bring God’s love into the world.

8:30 - A CONTEMPLATIVE SERVICE

with music by jazz pianist John Steiner and a vocalist. Everyone is welcome to participate in Communion each week.

10:00 - A “MORE TRADITIONAL” SERVICE

with music by pianist Alan Choy who delights with uplifting solos and medleys. Each Sunday, we enjoy something different in music: from our voice and bell choirs, vocal soloists, a folk band and a variety of accomplished musicians. Sunday School for children is provided.

SOULSONG: THIRD SUNDAYS AT 5:00 PM

This brief yet poignant service draws from the arts in various spiritual traditions. It is held in a beautiful, contemplative candlelight ambience. We draw from sacred readings, Taizé and other chanting, laying on of hands, prayer and silence, as we open ourselves to God’s love.

WE LEARN AND GROW TOGETHER

We encourage one another on our spiritual journeys by gathering for spiritual practice and education. We welcome you to join us at our frequent events where we learn together:

FIRST WEDNESDAYS, 7:00-8:30 PM –

CONTEMPLATIVE GROUP with readings, silence and reflection. Taught by our credentialed spiritual directors (mentors) Rev. Kay Collette, Lorna Wuertz and Rev. Jan Reynolds.

SATURDAY SPIRITUAL RETREATS

with guest teachers such as “Celtic Spirituality”, “The Art of Discernment” or “Visualization to Music”.

EDUCATION EVENTS: We sponsor many interesting speakers, show films and gather for interesting discussions about the Christian tradition and life, as well as social and environmental issues.

BOOK GROUPS FOR MEN AND WOMEN

MEET MONTHLY. The men usually discuss non-fiction books about current social issues over a few months. The women’s group reads a different book each month, both fiction and non-fiction.



PRIMERA IGLESIA PRESBITERIANA DE SAN RAFAEL

The Spanish-speaking community of the First Presbyterian Church of San Rafael extends a warm and open invitation to visitors.

WORSHIP: SUNDAYS AT 10:00 AM

Most persons who attend the Spanish speaking service are recent and visiting Spanish-speaking immigrants and their children. While the service is entirely in Spanish, everyone is welcome.

Bible Study in Spanish is offered on Monday evenings at 7:00 pm in the church library.

