**June 9, 2024**

**Welcome!** *We are so glad you joined us today.*

 *We pray that you will be blessed!*

Speaker: Pastor Kevin Hu

Message: Striving for 2nd Best?

Text: Mark 2: 1-12

**8**Immediately Jesus knew in his spirit that this was what they were thinking in their hearts, and he said to them, “Why are you thinking these things? **9**Which is easier: to say to this paralyzed man, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Get up, take your mat and walk’?

**10**But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins.” So he said to the man, **11**“I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home.” **12**He got up, took his mat and walked out in full view of them all. This amazed everyone and they praised God, saying, “We have never seen anything like this!”

Announcements:

1. All-church cleaning is scheduled on June 29th, 2024 (Saturday) 9am-12noon.  Please sign up with your congregation deacons and select the area you would like to serve.
2. Your child is invited to attend a fun club for boys and girls ages 5-12. 5-Day Club meets for 90 minutes for five days in partnership with Child Evangelism Fellowship, a bible centered ministry, 7/22-26, 5-8pm. All teachers and volunteers have been trained and screened to ensure your child's protection. Our church is the host for this event and prepares dinner. No free to join the 5-Day Club. Optional to join dinner with a fee of $30 per person to be paid on the first day. Parents and friends are welcome to attend. Please register online before the deadline date of July 8. <http://fecarcadia.org/children>.
3. Alpha Course Adult Sunday School at 10:30 AM on the second floor office.
4. Pre-Worship Prayer starts at 11:40 AM every Sunday.

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**First Evangelical Church Association**

*A joint & integrative ministry of spirituality, missions, social concern, and Church Planting*

***FECA Theme for 2024: “Transformed Churches in a Deformed World”***

1. **"Encountering God" Spiritual Exercise**

"Encountering God" is a two-month spiritual exercise that helps you experience God more deeply daily. Through daily reflection and prayer, scripture meditation, five seminars, and five spiritual direction sessions, we will help you build a deeper relationship with God. Each group meeting includes worship, teaching, and sharing. Contents of teaching: Silence and Meditation; Lectio Divina; Spiritual Direction; Journaling; Examen; Barriers in Spiritual Direction; Feelings; Consolation; Desolation; Listening to God; Discernment. Please refer to the flyer insert for details.

Registration: Chit-Sang Tsang (chitsang@yahoo.com) **before 7/28/2024.**

1. **Paris Olympic Music Outreach**

Praise God that airline tickets for the Paris Olympic outreach have been procured. Practices for the Mandarin worship team to join the 100-day prayer and rehearsals and the Ignite praise event to be held in the Hippodrome on 7/23 are progressing. Pray for the team building before they go and for housing accommodation in Paris. (Note: the team stopped recruiting members)

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| **Last Sunday's Worship In-Person Attendance and Offering** |
|  | ***Glendale*** | ***SGV*** | ***Diamond Bar*** | ***ACC*** | ***Arcadia*** |
| ***SGV*** | ***HOA*** | ***Arcadia*** | ***GCDC*** |
| ***Mandarin*** | 124 | All Church Joint Service373 | 89 | -- | 38 | 22 |
| ***Cantonese*** | 22 | 91 | -- | 103 | -- |
| ***English*** | 145 | -- | 124 | 76 | -- |
| ***Youth*** | 14 | w/ACC | -- | w/English | -- |
|  **Total: 1,221** |
|  | ***Glendale******SGV*** | ***SGV*** | ***Diamond Bar*** | ***ACC*** | ***Arcadia*** |
| ***General Fund*** | 20,430.36 | 13,731.10 | 7,518.30 | 7,243.77 | 11,998.00 |
| ***FECA Mission Fund*** | 1,787.00 | 570.00 | 10.00 | -- | 560.00 |
| ***Others*** | 495.00 | 4,055.00 | -- | 161.46 | 10.00 |
| ***04/24 Sur./Def.*** | 4,446  | (44,586) | (5,229) | 13,602  | 9,774  |
| ***01-04/24 Sur./Def.*** | 52,428  | 3,771  | (44,426) | 15,033  | (41,874) |