

First Presbyterian Church of Santa Rosa  
Sunday, January 16, 2022  
Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:1-12 (NRSV)

When Jesus saw the crowds, saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn,  
for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek,  
for they will inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
for they will be filled.

Blessed are the merciful,  
for they will receive mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart,  
for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers,  
for they will be called children of God.

Blessed are those who are those who are persecuted for  
righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and  
utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice  
and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same  
way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.