

~The Gathering~

Greeting

Rev. Matt Nieman

Prelude

Wondrous Love

Pinkston

Meagan Humphries, clarinet ~ Tami Newsom, accompanist

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Call to Worship

We worship in the season of Lent, a time to examine our hearts and our lives
and journey with Christ through the suffering of the world.

Let us listen for the commandments of God

and align our lives with God's vision for peace.

God has marked us as beloved dust

and called us together to worship.

Let us worship God.

Hymn #420

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM Rhondda

**God of grace and God of glory, on Thy people pour Thy power;
Crown Thine ancient church's story; bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour,
For the facing of this hour.**

**Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn Thy Christ, assail Thy ways!
From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days,
For the living of these days.**

**Cure Thy children's warring madness, bend our pride to Thy control;
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal,
Lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal.**

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**Set our feet on lofty places; gird our lives that they may be
Armored with all Christ-like graces, pledged to set all captives free.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, that we fail not them nor Thee!
That we fail not them nor Thee!**

**Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore;
Let the gift of Thy salvation be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving Thee whom we adore,
Serving Thee whom we adore.**

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Prayer of Confession

**O Christ who chased the money changers from the temple, chase the greed
from our lives and our hearts. As you overturned the tables, O Lord,
overturn the systems in our world that contribute to cycles of poverty and
oppression.
Forgive us, O God, of the ways we contribute to the world's brokenness.
Forgive us, O God, and wash us in your mercy. Forgive us, O God, and free
us to try again.**

(please continue in silent prayer)

Declaration of Forgiveness

The Peace

The Peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

~The Word~

Prayer for Illumination

**Gracious God, our way in the wilderness, guide us by your Word through
these forty days, and minister to us with your Holy Spirit, so we may be
reformed, restored, and renewed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

First Scripture Reading: Exodus: 20:1-17

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 19

Dr. Angela Batey, psalmist

Samuel Weber

Refrain: Heaven and earth tell your glory, almighty God.

The heavens proclaim your glory, O God, and the firmament shows forth the work of your hands.
Day unto day takes up the story and night unto night makes known the message.
No speech, no word, no voice is heard yet their span extends through all the earth,
their words to the utmost bounds of the world. *Refrain*

There you have placed a tent for the sun; it comes forth like a bridegroom coming from his tent,
rejoices like a champion to run its course. At the end of the sky is the rising of the sun;
to the furthest end of the sky is its course. There is nothing concealed from its burning heat. *Refrain*

Second Scripture Reading: John 2:13-22
The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

“God Corrects”

Rev. Matt Nieman

~The Response~

Affirmation of Faith – adapted from the *Confession of 1967*

The reconciling work of Jesus was the supreme crisis in the life of humankind. His cross and resurrection become personal crisis and present hope for women and men when the gospel is proclaimed and believed. In this experience, the Spirit brings God’s forgiveness to all, moves people to respond in faith, repentance, and obedience, and initiates the new life in Christ.

The Anthem *Let Us Break Bread Together* arr. Douglas E. Wagner
Krista Belding and Brenda Luggie, handbell duet ~ Tami Newsom, piano

Call for the Offering

~The Eucharist~

The Invitation to the Lord’s Table

Hymn GTG #507 *Come to the Table of Grace* Table of Grace

**Come to the table of grace. Come to the table of grace.
This is God’s table; it’s not yours or mine. Come to the table of grace.**

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Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Communion of the People

The Prayer after Communion

~The Sending~

Hymn #361

How Firm a Foundation

Foundation

**How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in God's excellent Word!
What more can be said than to you God hath said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?**

**"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand."**

**"When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
For I will be near thee, thy troubles to bless,
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress."**

**"When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
My grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine."**

**"The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."**

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Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Great Day

Bulla

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- scan this QR Code and click on the generated google doc link or
- go to <https://tinyurl.com/record-FPC-attendance> or
- email the office at office@fpcn.org

March 10
March 24
7:00 p.m.

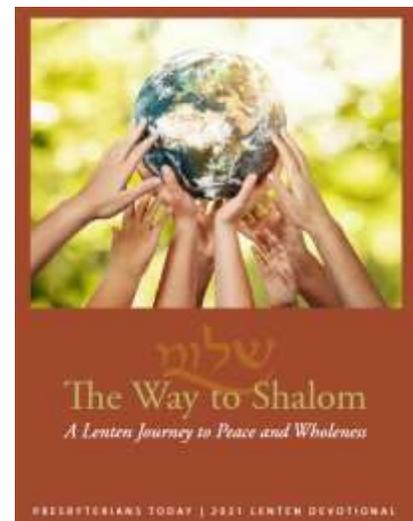
LENTEN
Wednesday Evening Prayer

Gather with Pastor Matt via Zoom
for a short time of scripture and prayer.
Watch for invites through Constant Contact.

New online and printable **Lenten devotional for 2021** from *Presbyterians Today*...

The Way to Shalom: A Lenten Journey to Peace and Wholeness

Lent is all about spiritual renewal. It is a sacred time of preparation for Easter and a time to reflect on what God has done to redeem us and how we can live a whole and full life as a child of God. Many of us see Lent as a season of penitence, fasting, service and contemplation — but at the top of our list should be a prayer for the acquisition of peace. In our devotional this year, we invite you to reflect upon the gift of shalom, the Hebrew word with a host of meanings: peace, security, well-being, health, completeness. Our spiritual goal: *exploring how can we receive this gift of shalom and, in turn, bestow it upon the world.* Now, more than ever, we deeply crave shalom. Our world is in desperate need of peace. The United States has just come out of a contentious election, a struggle with a global pandemic, and painful racial violence. Poverty, misery and despair fill many corners of the world. Yes, we desire peace. We need peace. Every week this year's devotional focuses on shalom — and what it can mean in our lives and how we can bring it to the world. We explore themes of justice, peace, healing, hope, repairing and reconciliation. You'll find Scripture readings along with beautiful meditations and prayers. You'll be challenged and moved — and hopefully, spiritually enriched. *The Way to Shalom* is online and free for download or printing at <https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/today/lent2021/>. You're invited to use it, share it, excerpt from it and make it your spiritual companion this Lent.





The area Presbyterian Churches in partnership with Edward Jones will be constructing a **Habitat for Humanity** home in Knoxville this spring. This outreach project is in need of financial support and hands on volunteers from the area churches to help in the construction of this home.

Work will be done on Saturdays. Volunteers can work whatever number of days or time their schedule allows. If you would like to contribute as a **volunteer** or **donor**, please contact Frank Dorman or the church office for more information.

For over 70 years, **One Great Hour of Sharing** has provided Presbyterians a way to share God's love with our neighbors in need around the world. In a world of disaster, hunger, and oppression millions of people lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity. The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing - Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People - all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope. As Jesus says in Matthew 25, the Church belongs with those in need — with those suffering from natural and human-caused disasters; with those lacking access to food, water and healthcare; and with those struggling for justice, righteousness, and peace. Through our gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing, we are there because we are the Church, together.



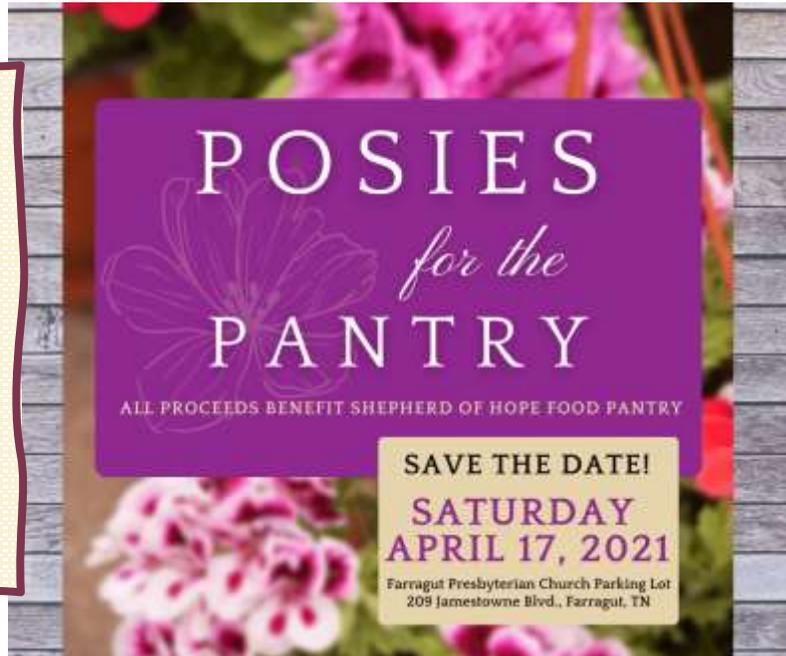
On Sunday March 28 (Palm Sunday) and April 4 (Easter) we will be collecting the first of our Special Offerings, ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING.

Plans are being finalized
for our 2021
Posies for the Pantry
this spring....

and it will be *bigger* and
better than ever!

If you have questions or
would like to help,
contact Betty Nicholls...

and be sure to
SAVE THE DATE!



Stephen Ministry

Call on someone who cares.

Contact a Stephen Leader for more information:

Beth Martin | Matt Nieman
Jeanie Oakley | Elizabeth Wilson



Farragut Presbyterian Church is seeking a **part-time (10 hours per week), musically gifted worship leader** who will oversee and direct its contemporary worship team during its alternative worship service. Candidates should have experience in the area of alternative/contemporary worship music, profess Christian faith and a commitment to the expression of faith through the gift of music in worship, and be able to lead, recruit, develop, and rehearse the worship team while setting standards for musical excellence. More information is available at www.fpctn.org.

To apply, email resume and cover letter to Dr. Angela Batey, director of music ministries, at abatey@utk.edu.

This Week at FPC!

Sun, Mar 07	9:00 a.m. indoor/online and 11:00 a.m. outdoor worship		
Mon, Mar 08	6:00	p.m.	Youth Group/Fellowship Hall
	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Zoom
	11:00	a.m.	Lectio Divina/Zoom
Tues, Mar 09	7:00	p.m.	Christian Education Committee/Zoom
	10:00	a.m.	PW Circle #1/Narthex
	10:00	a.m.	PW Circle #2/Room A and Zoom
Wed, Mar 10	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts #444/FH, Room A, Narthex
	10:00	a.m.	PW Circle #3/Zoom
	7:00	p.m.	Lenten Evening Prayer/Zoom
Thurs, Mar 11	8:00	a.m.	Men's Bible Study/Narthex
	10:00	a.m.	Covenant Group/Room A or outside
	6:30	p.m.	Cub Scouts/FH, Room A, Narthex
	7:00	p.m.	Thursday Night Bible Study/Zoom
Fri, Mar 12	7:00	p.m.	Gentle Yoga Class/Zoom
Sat, Mar 13	9:00	a.m.	Church Yard Cleanup



Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.

Class	Room	Topic
Monday Connection/Adult Bible Study/Pastor Matt's Class	Zoom/and Parlor	During Lent, these three classes have joined together to study <i>Entering the Passion of Jesus – A Beginner's Guide to Holy Week</i> by Amy-Jill Levine. This book explores the biblical texts and risks surrounding the Passion story.
Youth	Zoom	Join the Youth of FPC for Sunday School at 10 am Sunday mornings as we take a deep dive into the parables that Jesus utilized throughout his ministry! Please email masonwarren@fpctn.org for the link to the class.

Farragut Presbyterian Church

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Church Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday 9am-3pm; Friday 9am-1pm

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