



~The Gathering~



Greeting

Rev. Matt Nieman

Prelude

My Song is Love Unknown (Rhosymedre)
Tami Newsom, organ

R. Vaughn Williams

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Call to Worship

We gather to worship the Good Shepherd,
who lays down his life for his sheep.
We gather to worship Jesus Christ,
who calls us to lay down our lives for others.
Easter people, Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed!

Hymn #466

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Azmon

**O for a thousand tongues to sing my dear Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of God's grace!**

**Jesus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.**

**Christ breaks the power of reigning sin, and sets the prisoner free;
Christ's blood can make the sinful clean, Christ's blood availed for me.**

**My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of Thy name.**

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Prayer of Confession

O God, you have called us to love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. You have laid down your life for us and commanded us to lay down our lives for one another.

Still, O Lord, we offer empty thoughts and prayers when the world needs our hands and our feet. Still, O Lord, we fail to share our lives with the world, hiding behind a myth of independence.

Forgive us, we pray, and by your forgiveness, raise us to new life in you.

(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

Lord God, good shepherd, by the leading of your Spirit, help us to listen for your voice and follow in your paths all the days of our lives; in Jesus' name. Amen.

First Scripture Reading: 1 John 3:16-24

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23

Dr. Angela Batey, cantor

Michel Guimont

Refrain: The Lord is my shepherd; nothing shall I want.

Lord, you are my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures where you give me repose.
Near restful waters you lead me, to revive my drooping spirit. *Refrain*

You guide me along the right path; You are true to your name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort. *Refrain*

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. *Refrain*

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. *Refrain*

Second Scripture Reading: John 10:11-18

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

“Beware the Wolf”

Rev. Matt Nieman

~The Response~

Affirmation of Faith ~ from Hymn #172 in *The Presbyterian Hymnal*

**My shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is His name. In pastures fresh,
He makes me feed beside the living stream. He brings my wandering spirit
back when I forsake His ways. And he leads me for His mercy's sake in
paths of truth and grace.**

The Anthem

The Lord's My Shepherd
Dr. Angela Batey, soprano
Text from the Scottish Psalter, 1650

Bob Chilcott

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want.
He makes me down to lie in pastures green:
he leadeth me the quiet waters by.

My table thou has furnished in presence
of my foes; My head thou dost with oil anoint,
and my cup overflows.

My soul he doth restore again; and me to walk
doth make within the paths of righteousness,
e'en for his own name's sake.

Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me: And in my Father's heart
always my dwelling place shall be.

Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale,
yet will I fear no ill: For thou art with me
and thy rod and staff me comfort still.

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Call for the Offering

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

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 Sending~

Hymn #543

Abide with Me

Eventide

**Abide with me: fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide!
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.**

**Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;
Change and decay in all around I see.
O Thou who changest not, abide with me.**

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**I need Thy presence every passing hour;
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.**

**I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless:
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, Thy victory?
I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.**

**Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies:
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.**

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Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won!
Tami Newsom, organ

Cherwien

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If you would like the church office to record your attendance today, you can:

- 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@fpctn.org

Prayer Shawl Ministry will resume on April 27th. The group meets in the parlor on the fourth Tuesday of every month. If you like to knit or crochet, come join this wonderful group that makes shawls for FPC members who need extra comfort during a difficult time in their lives. Patterns and yarn are provided.



LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Currently, we are in need of volunteers from 10:45 – 11:45 a.m. on Sundays to assist with our children's church (that will be held indoors in Fellowship Hall). Starting in early June, we are looking for volunteers to assist with our FPC "Kid Zone" to allow our new families time before and after worship to socialize and get to know other FPC members. Please contact Mason Warren, Director of Family Ministries at masonwarren@fpctn.org or (865) 966-9547 Ext. 105 for more information or to volunteer.



We are excited to announce the restart of in-person yoga classes at FPC! The **TGIF Gentle Yoga** classes have started on Fridays at 7 pm in Fellowship Hall. All that is needed for this 60 minute gentle/slow flow class is a mat and comfortable clothing – and it's for beginner or experienced yogis. The **Chair Yoga** class will start on Monday, May 24th at 11 am (also in Fellowship Hall) and this 30 minute class is

perfect for those with limited mobility or balance concerns. Please note the time change for Chair Yoga as we will be starting small lunch/brunch groups after class for those who are interested. Our virtual option will continue to be offered for those who prefer. Jenny is happy to offer a one-on-one introductory session to either course for those new to yoga or those who need assistance with modifications. Please contact Jenny Trussell (RYT500/RCYT) at cedarstudios4@gmail.com for more information. There is no cost for these classes and they are open to the community – *all are welcome!*

FPC Golf Group will start the 2021 season on April 28th at Avalon Country Club. We play 9 holes of golf on Wednesday nights starting at 5:30 p.m., and for those who want to, plan on staying and eating on the outdoor covered patio afterwards. The cost is \$22.50 per person including cart. The club offers individual carts for those that want one. Masks are required inside the clubhouse. We have a great group of golfers of all skill levels, and everyone is welcome. You are not committed to play every week. We just ask that you let Wayne Walls know if you will be playing each week, so he can ensure enough tee times are available.



We are looking forward to another fun season of golf! Contact Wayne Walls to be added to our email list and for weekly tee times: 865/207-7114, wwalls97@aol.com.



COMING THIS SUMMER – **FPC KID ZONE!**

The Christian Education committee has exciting plans as we reinvigorate our summer children's program (including a few summer events sponsored by FPC's Church Life committee)! Starting in early June, we are looking for volunteers to assist with our FPC "Kid Zone" – an expanded children's church program (in lieu of Vacation Bible School) that will run on Sunday mornings to allow our new families time to socialize and get to know other FPC members before and after worship. Our summer Kid Zone program, titled "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Renew" - focuses on being good stewards of God's beautiful earth and will include a lesson, crafts, and games. The program is open to children ages 2 –

10, but we're happy to have older children assist with the program. As always, our nursery is open and available to parents with infants. We hope you will consider bringing your children, grandchildren, and inviting neighbors and friends! Please contact Mason Warren, Director of Family Ministries at masonwarren@fpcn.org or (865) 966-9547 ext. 105 for more information or to register children for the program.

This Week at FPC!

Sun, Apr 25	9:00 a.m. indoor/online and 11:00 a.m. outdoor worship		
Mon, Apr 26	10:30	a.m.	Called Meeting of Session/Fellowship Hall
	6:00	p.m.	Youth Group/Fellowship Hall
Tues, Apr 27	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Zoom
	11:00	a.m.	Lectio Divina/Zoom
	7:00	p.m.	Session/Zoom
Wed, April 28	10:00	a.m.	PW Coordinating Team/Room A
	2:00	p.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry/Parlor
	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts/FH, Room A, Narthex
	7:00	p.m.	Cub Scout Pack Leaders/Library
Thurs, Apr 29	1:00	p.m.	PW Bible Study/Zoom
	2:00	p.m.	Staff Meeting/Library
Fri, Apr 30	10:00	a.m.	Covenant Group/Room A
	6:30	p.m.	Cub Scouts/FH, Room A, Narthex
	7:00	p.m.	Thursday Night Bible Study/Zoom
Sat, May 01	7:00	p.m.	Gentle Yoga Class/Fellowship Hall
	5:00	p.m.	St. Mary Coptic Orthodox Church/Sanctuary

Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.

Class	Room	Topic
Adult Bible Study	Outside by the South sanctuary doors	This class uses <i>The Present Word</i> Adult Bible Lessons. The Spring 2021 book focuses on the faithful prophets of the Old Testament and their ministries.
Monday Connection	Zoom/and Parlor	This class is studying the book <i>The Walk - Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life</i> by Adam Hamilton. The author focuses on five essential spiritual practices that are rooted in Jesus' own walk with God and taught throughout the New Testament.
Pastor Matt's Class	Zoom	Jack Rightmyer will be leading this class in Bible study and prayer.
Youth	Zoom	Join the Youth of FPC for Sunday School as they take a deep dive into the parables that Jesus utilized throughout his ministry! Please email masonwarren@fpctn.org for the link to the class.

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