

FARRAGUT PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

Happy
Mother's
Day!

6th Sunday of Easter
May 9, 2021



~The Gathering~



Greeting

Rev. Matt Nieman

Prelude

Victimae paschali laudes
Tami Newsom, organ

Held

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Call to Worship

We gather to worship as people of Easter,
people who know life is stronger than death.
We gather to worship as children of God,
children loved and claimed by the risen Lord.
We gather to worship as the body of Christ,
the church called out for service in the world.
Easter people, Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed!

Hymn #473

For the Beauty of the Earth

Dix

**For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth over and around us lies,
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.**

**For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light,
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.**

**For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight,
For the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight,
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.**

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**For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild,
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.**

**For thy church that evermore lifteth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore her pure sacrifice of love,
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.**

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Prayer of Confession

O God, whose love knows no bounds, forgive us when we fail to reflect your loving kindness. When we turn away from the goodness of your love, call us back with the tender voice of a caring friend. When we stumble over the gift of your grace, lift us up with the strong arms of a loving parent.

Forgive us, risen Christ, of all the ways we fall short, and teach us to be agents of resurrection in the world.

(please continue in silent prayer)

Kyrie Eleison #573

Lord, Have Mercy
Dr. Angela Batey, cantor

Proulx

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Declaration of Forgiveness

The Response #579

Gloria Patri

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**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen, Amen.**

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The Peace

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

~The Word~

Prayer for Illumination

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us, O God, in the reading of your Word, that we would hear what you have to say to us today. May your Holy Spirit be poured out upon us; through Jesus Christ. Amen.

First Scripture Reading: John 15:9-17

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Psalm 98

Dr. Angela Batey, cantor

Michel Guimont

The Lord has re-vealed to the na - tions God's
sav - ing pow'r, God's sav - ing pow'r.

Sing a new song to the Lord who has worked wonders;
Whose right hand and holy arm have brought salvation. **(R)**

The Lord has made known salvation; has shown justice to the nations:
Has remembered truth and love for the house of Israel. **(R)**

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.
Shout to the Lord, all the earth, ring out your joy. **(R)**

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Second Scripture Reading: Acts 10:44-48

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“A Big Tent”

Rev. Matt Nieman

~The Response~

Affirmation of Faith ~ from the *Confession of Belhar*

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family. We believe... that this unity of the people of God must be manifested and be active in a variety of ways; In that we love one another; that we experience, practice and pursue community with one another; that we are obligated to give ourselves willingly and joyfully to be of benefit and blessing to one another.

The Anthem

I Love You, O My Lord Most High
Dr. Angela Batey, soprano

Anthony Giamanco

I love you, O my Lord most high, for first your love has captured me.
I seek no other liberty: bound by your love, I shall be free.

May memory no thought suggest but shall to your pure glory tend.
May understanding find no rest, except in you, its only end.

All mine is yours: just say the word. Say what you will, it shall be done;
I know your love, most gracious Lord, I know you seek my good alone.

Apart from you nothing can be, so grant me this, my only wish,
to love you, Lord, eternally; you give me all in giving this.

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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 #439

In Christ There Is No East or West

St. Peter

**In Christ there is no east or west, in Him no south or north;
But one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.**

**In Christ shall true hearts everywhere their high communion find;
His service is the golden cord close-binding humankind.**

**Join hands, disciples of the faith, what-e'er your race may be.
All children of the living God are surely kin to me.**

**In Christ now meet both east and west, in Him meet south and north;
All Christly souls are one in Him throughout the whole wide earth.**

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Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Allegro
Tami Newsom, organ

Purcell



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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

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 held indoors in Fellowship Hall. 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 hope you will join us for UKirk's spring fundraiser, **Celebrate Knoxville Online Auction!** We are celebrating this wonderful city we call home with an online auction dedicated to local Knoxville makers, artists and businesses! All of the donations go towards the continued work and ministry of UKirk UTK, a not for profit, network of ministries supported by PCUSA. UKirk is charged with reaching, loving, and teaching college

students so they may be lifelong followers of Jesus Christ.

Go to: <https://www.32auctions.com/UKirkUTK> for the auction link.

If you would like to support Pastor Matt's effort to raise funds for the **Emerald Youth Foundation's "Rise Up" Campaign**, go to <https://justgiving.com/fundraising/matt-nieman>. *Rise Up for Every Child* to grow into a promising, Godly young adult leader for Knoxville and support Emerald Youth's work with 60 young adults in making the transition to life after high school and postsecondary pursuits in 2021. The event runs thru May 14.



FPC Golf Group Contact Wayne Walls if you would like to join our informal Wednesday night FPC Golf group. We play 9 holes at Avalon Country Club starting at 5:30 p.m. Price is \$22.50 and includes cart. Masks are required inside the clubhouse. We have all skill levels, and you are not committed to play every week. Email Wayne Walls at wwalls97@aol.com to join this fun fellowship group!



The **TGIF Gentle Yoga** classes have resumed on Fridays at 7 pm in Fellowship Hall. All you need for this sixty minute gentle/slow flow class is a mat and comfortable clothing – and it's for beginner or experienced yogis. The **Chair Yoga** class will restart 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. We will have

small lunch/brunch groups after class for those who are interested. Our virtual option will continue to be offered for those who prefer. Contact Jenny Trussell for more information at cedarstudios4@gmail.com.



Friday, May 21st at Williams Creek Golf Course
Tee Off: 8:30 a.m.

Format: Four Person Shotgun, Powerball Scramble
Masks will be provided.

Cost: \$125/person - \$360/team

Includes: Golf, Cart, Lunch, FPL Hat and Mask, Snacks and Range Balls.
Registration forms are available in the church narthex.

Contact Jimmy Loyless to set up a team!

GIVE TO THE PENTECOST OFFERING

and share in ministries that help our young people build deep, lifelong connections to their faith and communities.



Nurturing the faith of those who are the church to come

A gift to the Pentecost Offering helps the church encourage, develop, and support its young people, and also address the needs of at-risk children. The Presbyterian Mission Agency will receive 60% of our offering, while 40% will be used locally to benefit children in our community. The local donation this year will go to the Boys and Girls Clubs of the Tennessee Valley. Donations may be made at any point through May 23.

To Donate

- Use an envelope provided at the church, or
- Send a check to FPC with Pentecost Offering on the memo line, or
- Submit a gift through e-giving at fpctn.org



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@fpctn.org or (865) 966-9547 ext. 105 for more information or to register children for the program.



This Week at FPC!

Sun, May 09		9:00 a.m. indoor/online and 11:00 a.m. outdoor worship	
Mon, May 10	6:00	p.m.	Youth Group/Fellowship Hall
	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Zoom
	11:00	a.m.	Lectio Divina/Zoom
Tues, May 11	7:00	p.m.	Christian Education Committee/Zoom
	7:00	p.m.	Stephen Ministry/Room A
	10:00	a.m.	PW Circle #2/Room A
	10:00	a.m.	PW Circle #1/Narthex
Wed, May 12	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts Court of Honor /Sanctuary, FH, N, Rm A
	7:00	p.m.	Personnel Committee/Zoom
Thurs, May 13	10:00	a.m.	PW Circle #3/Room A
	8:00	a.m.	Men's Bible Study/Narthex
Fri, May 14	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
	7:00	p.m.	Gentle Yoga Class/Fellowship Hall

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	Please join Pastor Matt for a time of Bible study and prayer.
Youth	Zoom	Join the Youth of FPC for Sunday School 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.

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

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