



~The Gathering~

Greeting

Rev. Matt Nieman

Prelude

Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now
Tami Newsom, organ

Walther

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Call to Worship

We have heard that we are not good enough, not strong enough, not whole enough.

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater.

We have heard that we do not make enough, do not own enough, do not have enough.

Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts.

We gather to worship, for God's Word is hope enough, love enough, life enough.

God gave us eternal life, and this life is in God's Son.

Let us worship God.

Hymn #481

Praise the Lord, God's Glories Show

Llanfair

**Praise the Lord, God's glories show, Alleluia!
Saints within God's courts below, Alleluia!
Angels round the throne above, Alleluia!
All that see and share God's love. Alleluia!**

**Earth to heaven and heaven to earth, Alleluia!
Tell the wonders, sing God's worth, Alleluia!
Age to age and shore to shore, Alleluia!
Praise God, praise for evermore! Alleluia!**

**Praise the Lord, great mercies trace, Alleluia!
Praise this providence and grace, Alleluia!
All that God for us has done, Alleluia!
All God sends us through the Son. Alleluia!**

Prayer of Confession

**O Christ who prayed for us, died for us, and lives for us,
you taught us that we belong to you, and your word is our truth.
Forgive us, O Lord, when we live as if we belonged only to ourselves.
Forgive us, O Lord, when we foolishly think that power is the ultimate
truth. Speak your words of peace to us this day,
and make our lives a testimony to your grace.
For you are the source of life itself, and only in you can we truly live.**

(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

Greatorex

**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

**May the reading of your Word sanctify us in the truth
and bring us to perfect joy. Amen.**

First Scripture Reading: Ephesians 1:15-19

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 47

Dr. Angela Batey, cantor

Hal Hopson

Refrain

Clap your hands, O faith - ful peo - ple!
Shout to God a song of praise!

Clap your hands, O faithful people! Shout to God a song of praise!
From the dust of conquered nations, God a realm of grace shall raise.
To God's name forever faithful, may we prosper all our days. **(R)**

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With a shout, and blast of trumpet, God shall mount a throne on high:
Let our praise, as finest incense, rise to meet God in the Sky.
Fill the world with glad rejoicing. Heaven shall sing, and earth reply. **(R)**

Let your hearts be filled with gladness, as the Lord your life shall bless:
Live as heirs of God's great justice, wear the cloak of righteousness.
God will grant us earth's dominion, all things good, and nothing less. **(R)**

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Second Scripture Reading: Luke 24:44-53

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

Sermon

“Departures”

Rev. Matt Nieman

~The Response~

Affirmation of Faith

(from 1 Corinthians 15:1-6; Mark 16:1-9; Matthew 16:16; Revelation 22:13; John 20:28)

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen.

The Anthem

Look Away to the Skies
Dr. Angela Batey, soprano

Southern Harmony, 1835

Look away to the skies, see the Savior arise
and ascend to His glory above.

On this festival day come exulting away. Bring a gift of devotion and love.

We give thanks for the grace that prepares us a place
in that kingdom so far and bright.

Lord, we wait for that day when You carry us away to dwell in a mansion of light.

Now with glorious song let our music be strong
and our lives be an anthem of praise.

And with jubilant noise let us sing and rejoice, shout in glory for all of our days.

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 #430

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy

Darwall's 148th

**Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!
For Christ the Lord has led us through the ages long!
In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!**

**Long years have come and gone, and still God reigns supreme,
Empowering us to catch the vision, dream the dream!
In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!**

**Let courage be our friend, let wisdom be our guide,
As we in mission magnify the Crucified!
In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!**

**Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!
For Christ the Lord has triumphed o'er the ages long!
In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!**

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Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Allemande from Suite #1 in G major
Tami Newsom, organ

Bach

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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



Today, we celebrate **Beth Hallman**, Children's Enrichment Program Director, and her 30 years of faithful service to our program and to the church. If you are unable to attend the celebration, but would like to congratulate Ms. Beth, we invite you to mail a card to the church or email her at cep@fpcn.org. *Thank you, Ms. Beth! You are dearly appreciated!*

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@fpcn.org or (865) 966-9547 Ext. 105 for more information or to volunteer.



Today is the final day for UKirk's spring fundraiser, ***Celebrate Knoxville Online Auction!*** They 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.

FPC Golf Group Contact Wayne Walls if you would like to join our informal Wednesday night FPC Golf group. We normally play at Avalon, but the course will be closed from May 17 to June 17 in order to install new greens. During this time, arrangements have been made to play at ***Willow Creek Golf Course starting May 19***, starting at 5:40 p.m. at a cost of \$30 including cart. Willow Creek does not have food service at that hour so we will not have food afterwards. 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!

Family Promise
of Knoxville presents the 3rd Annual

**Drive Out Family Homelessness
Golf Tournament**

WILLIAMS CREEK
golf course



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



This Week at FPC!

Sun, May 16	9:00 a.m. indoor/online and 11:00 a.m. outdoor worship		
Mon, May 17	5:00	p.m.	Visitation for Chris Tinder Memorial/Narthex, Sanctuary Youth Group/Fellowship Hall Memorial Service for Christopher Steven Tinder <i>Sanctuary reserved all day for maintenance</i> Chair Yoga/Zoom Lectio Divina/Zoom
	6:00	p.m.	
	7:00	p.m.	
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	10:00	a.m.	
Tues, May 18	11:00	a.m.	Church Life Committee/Zoom <i>Sanctuary reserved all day for maintenance</i> 4-H Club/Fellowship Hall Boy Scouts/FH, N, Rm A
	7:00	p.m.	
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Thurs, May 20	7:00	p.m.	Administration Committee/Zoom CEP – Final Day for Students Cub Scouts/FH, Room A, Narthex
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	6:30	p.m.	
Fri, May 21	7:00	p.m.	Thursday Night Bible Study/Zoom Gentle Yoga Class/Fellowship Hall
	7:00	p.m.	

Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.

Class	Room	Topic
Adult Bible Study	Outside by the south sanctuary doors/Parlor	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 Room A	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/Library	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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