



~The Gathering~

Greeting

Rev. Matt Nieman

Prelude

O Blessed Light
Tami Newsom, organ

Farlee

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Call to Worship

We gather to worship in the presence of God,
as if we stood on God's holy hill.
We gather to worship as children of God,
as if we were standing in the waters of grace.
We gather to worship the living God,
for God is here among us.
Let us worship the Lord.

Hymn #276

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Faithfulness

**Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not;
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.**

(refrain) **Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

**Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. (refrain)**

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**Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (refrain)**

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Prayer of Confession

**You tell us, O Lord, who may abide in your presence,
who may dwell on your holy hill: those who walk blamelessly,
and do what is right, and who speak the truth from their heart.
And yet, O Lord, we do not walk blamelessly. So often we stumble on the
path of faith. The truth makes us nervous, and we pretend not to know what
is right.**

**Have mercy, O God. Convict us by your wisdom, cleanse us by your grace,
challenge us by your presence, and, by your forgiveness, free us to try again.**

(please continue in silent prayer)

Kyrie Eleison #574

Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us

Johnson

**Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

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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

**Father of lights, there is no variation or shadow due to change in you. Let
your Spirit illumine our hearts through your holy Word, turning us from the
emptiness of our human traditions to the fullness of life in the Beloved One,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

First Scripture Reading: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.



My heart overflows with noble words.
 To the king I must speak the song I have made,
 my tongue as nimble as the pen of a scribe.
 You are the fairest of the people on earth
 and graciousness is poured upon your lips,
 because God has blessed you for evermore. **(R)**

Your throne, O God, shall endure forever.
 A scepter of justice is the scepter of your kingdom.
 Your love is for justice, your hatred for evil.
 Therefore God, your God, has anointed you
 with the oil of gladness above other kings;
 Your robes are fragrant with aloes and myrrh. **(R)**

From the ivory palace you are greeted with music.
 May this song make your name forever remembered.
 May the peoples praise you from age to age. **(R)**

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Second Scripture Reading: James 1:17-27

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Mirror, Mirror”

Rev. Matt Nieman

~The Response~

Affirmation of Faith (verses from 1 Corinthians 13, from *The Message*)

We don't yet see things clearly. We're squinting in a fog, peering through a mist. But it won't be long before the weather clears, and the sun shines bright! We'll see it all then, see it all as clearly as God sees us, knowing him directly just as he knows us! But for right now, until that completeness, we have three things to do to lead us toward that consummation: Trust steadily in God, hope unswervingly, love extravagantly. And the best of the three is love.

The Anthem

Make Us True Servants
 Lynn Kszos, flute ~ Tami Newsom, piano

Purifoy

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 #411

Arise, Your Light Is Come!

Festal Song

**Arise, your light is come! The Spirit's call obey;
Show forth the glory of your God, which shines on you today.**

**Arise, your light is come! Fling wide the prison door;
Proclaim the captives' liberty, good tidings to the poor.**

**Arise, your light is come! All you in sorrow born,
Bind up the broken-hearted ones and comfort those who mourn.**

**Arise, your light is come! The mountains burst in song!
Rise up like eagles on the wing; God's power will make us strong.**

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Charge and Benediction

Congregational Response

Walk With Me

Rev. John Rice

Walk with me, I will walk with you and
build the land that God has planned where love shines through.

Postlude

Allegro

Purcell

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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



Family Promise week is August 29 thru September 4

There has been a change of plans for the two guest families. They will be housed at an extended stay hotel rather than the day center. There are 3 adults, one 13-year-old, and one infant (on formula). There is one peanut allergy in the group. The families will pick up your cooked, refrigerated meals from the day center and take them back to their hotel. For anyone doing gift cards rather than a prepared meal, it is requested that restaurant cards be provided rather than DoorDash or Grubhub. Please sign up at westsideuuc.org and scroll down to the words - *Sign Ups.com* at the bottom of the webpage and click on it. Next, click on the "View" button next to *FP Aug 29-Sept 5 Dinners/Grocery Cards*. Should you have any questions, please let us know. Thank you, Beth and Jimmy Loyless.

It's time to...

Update!



We are updating member information and portrait photos for the new **2021 FPC Church Directory**. A directory has been placed in the narthex for you to review the current information we have on file and to make any necessary changes. A photo station has also been set up in the narthex to update your directory photo. If your directory photo is CURRENT and you would like to use it again, just initial next to it. If you have a recent head shot photo that you would like us to use, simply email it to the office at: office@fpcn.org in a .jpg format. Please be sure to initial next to your name in the directory after verifying your address, email and phone numbers, so we know you have approved your information. Please contact the office, or Mikie Lancaster with any questions.

Farragut Presbyterian Church

Fall 2021

"Dive into the Bible!"

Join Us for KIDZONE!

Starting in September, **FPC KidZone** will introduce a new fall program called **"Diving into the Bible!"** All children ages 3-9 are invited to join us on Sunday mornings from 9am to 10am. Loving nursery care is available for younger children.

For more information, please contact Mason Warren, Director of Family Ministries at masonwarren@fpcn.org.

Save the Date!

Christian Ed invites the whole family to:

FPC Family Game Night

Sunday, September 12th
from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
in Fellowship Hall

Come play games, eat ice cream, and socialize!



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FPC STEPHEN MINISTER LEADERS:
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The Stephen Ministry Program:

Stephen Ministry is an important way we at Farragut Presbyterian care for one another.

If you are going through a difficult time, consider having a Stephen Minister. Make use of it! Stephen Ministry belongs to you!

For more information about Stephen Ministry please contact the church office or one of our

Stephen Ministry Leaders:

Matt Nieman, Jeanie Oakley, Elizabeth Wilson, or Beth Martin

This Week at FPC!

Sun, Aug 29	9:00 outdoor and 11:00 a.m. indoor/online worship		
Mon, Aug 30	****	****	Family Promise Week
	9:00	a.m.	FPC Kids Zone/Room 1
	6:00	p.m.	Youth Group/Fellowship Hall
	****	****	CEP School Year Begins
	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
Tues, Aug 31	11:00	a.m.	Lectio Divina/Parlor
	11:00	a.m.	Sanctuary reserved-organ practice
Wed, Sept 01	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts/FH, Room A, Narthex
	4:50	p.m.	FPC Fellowship Golf/Avalon Country Club
	6:00	p.m.	Worship & Music Committee/Zoom

Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.

Class	Room	Topic
Adult Bible Study	Outside or Parlor	This class has changed to Lectionary-based lessons, so each week we look at the texts that the sermon and worship service are developed from. In good weather join us outside under the trees in the parking lot. In bad weather we will meet in the parlor.
Monday Connection	Zoom/and Room A	This class is studying <i>Love Wins – A book about Heaven, Hell, and the Fate of Every Person Who Ever Lived</i> by Rob Bell. This bestselling author presents a deeply biblical vision for rediscovering a richer, truer, and more spiritually way of understanding heaven, hell, God, Jesus, salvation, and repentance.
Pastor Matt's Class	Zoom/library	Please join Pastor Matt's Bible study in the library on Sunday mornings at 10:00. Consult Pastor Matt's Saturday morning email for the Zoom credentials.
Youth	On summer break	Join the Youth Sunday School as they DIVE IN to the Old Testament utilizing videos and discussion to explore a different book of the Old Testament each Sunday throughout the school year! For more information, contact Mason Warren, Dir. of Family Ministries, masonwarren@fpctn.org



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

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