



## ~The Gathering~



Greeting

Rev. Matt Nieman

Prelude

*Now Thank We All Our God*  
Tami Newsom, organ

Bach/Hopson

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Call to Worship

God has blessed the world with life and showered the earth with love.

**Give thanks, O people of God!**

Christ has given us his life and washed us in healing waters.

**Give thanks, O people of God!**

The Spirit has not stopped moving in the world, calling us to lives of grateful praise.

**Give thanks, O people of God!**

Let us give thanks to our Lord.

Hymn #551

*Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*

St. George's Windsor

**Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home:  
All is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin;  
God, our Maker, doth provide for our wants to be supplied:  
Come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.**

**All the world is God's own field, fruit unto God's praise to yield;  
Wheat and tares together sown, unto joy or sorrow grown;  
First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear:  
Lord of harvest, grant that we whole-some grain and pure may be.**

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**For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take the harvest home;  
From each field shall in that day all offenses purge away;  
Give the angels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,  
But the fruitful ears to store in God's garner evermore.**

**Even so, Lord, quickly come to Thy final harvest home;  
Gather Thou Thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin;  
There forever purified, in Thy presence to abide:  
Come, with all Thine angels, come, raise the glorious harvest home.**

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### Prayer of Confession

**O God, you are our creator and redeemer.  
You blessed the earth and called it good.  
You blessed our lives and call us your own.  
Forgive us, O God, when we fail to give you thanks,  
when we forget that you are the source of all that is good  
and that our lives are to be an offering of thanksgiving.  
Make us grateful, O God, for the gifts of your mercy,  
and draw us closer to you and one another.**

*(please continue in silent prayer)*

Kyrie Eleison #572

*Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us*

Merbecke

**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*

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

**Dear Lord and God, we thank and praise You for Your Word, the Holy  
Scriptures, and for the promise that Your Holy Spirit will guide us into all  
truth. Give us a teachable spirit so we may learn all that You would teach us.  
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

First Scripture Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

Greg Kraft

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



Hail to the Lord's A-noint-ed, great Da-vid's great-er Son;  
hail in the time ap-point-ed, his reign on earth be-gun.

Lord, remember David, and all the hardships he endured;  
How he swore an oath to the Lord and vowed a vow to the Mighty One of Jacob:  
“I will not come under the roof of my house, not climb up into my bed;  
I will not allow my eyes to sleep, nor let my eyelids slumber;  
Until I find a place for the Lord, a dwelling for the Mighty One of Jacob.” (R)

“Let us go to God’s dwelling place; let us fall upon our knees before God’s footstool.”  
Arise, O Lord, into your resting-place, you and the ark of your strength.  
Let your priests be clothed with righteousness; let your faithful people sing for joy.  
For your servant David’s sake, do not turn away the face of your anointed. (R)

The Lord has sworn an oath to David, and in truth, will not break it:  
A son, the fruit of your body, will I set upon your throne.  
If your children keep my covenant and my testimonies that I shall teach them,  
Their children will sit upon your throne forevermore. (R)

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Second Scripture Reading: Matthew 6:25-33

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

“Being Fed”

Rev. Matt Nieman

### ~The Response~

Affirmation of Faith

**In our living and in our dying, in our joy and in our sorrow, in our wholeness and in our brokenness, we are thankful. We are grateful that God feeds us with plenty—especially when we cannot feed ourselves. We are fed by the Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ, who tends to us with empathy, sincerity, devotion, and kindness. With the powerful hand and wisdom of a mighty king, Jesus also loves with the tenderness of the most loving parent. We need not worry: we are safe in his loving embrace.**

The Anthem

*Soon and Very Soon*  
Chancel Choir

Jack Schrader

Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King.  
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're going to see the King.

No more crying there, we are going to see the King.  
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're going to see the King.

No more dying there, we are going to see the King.  
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're going to see the King.

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 #555

*Now Thank We All Our God*

Nun danket alle Gott

**Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,  
Who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;  
Who, from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way  
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.**

**O may this bounteous God through all our live be near us,  
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;  
And keep us in God's grace, and guide us when perplexed,  
And free us from all ills, in this world and the next.**

**All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,  
To Father and to Son and Spirit now be given.  
The one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,  
The God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.**

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## Charge and Benediction

Response #423

*Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun*

Duke Street

**Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does its successive journeys run,  
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore, Till moons shall wax and wane no more.**

Postlude

*Rondo*

Bull

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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](mailto:office@fpctn.org)



Join us after worship today for a short  
**Congregational Meeting**  
to elect new elders for the Class of 2024  
and members of the  
2022 Nominating committee.

Join us after the 12:00 pm Congregational Meeting to  
**Deck Our Halls!!!!**  
We need lots of willing hands to put up our Christmas  
tree and our other beautiful decorations.  
Come and join the fun!



Join us Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at 4pm  
in Fellowship Hall for

## Polar Express Movie Night!

Come in your comfiest pajamas, and  
enjoy some snacks, hot chocolate,  
and a movie!  
It will be fun for the whole family!

Please RSVP with Mason Warren  
as soon as possible!



**Sunset Gap Secret Santa:** Look for the sign-up board in the  
narthex. This year we are sponsoring 40 children. Please select an item  
either online (<https://tinyurl.com/SunsetGapChristmas2021>) or  
in the narthex. Include your name and a contact number. Items are to  
be new and gift wrapped for Christmas. Please have your gift returned  
to the church by December 5. Contact Debbie Long with any questions.

**Sunset Gap Mitten Tree:** Look for the Sunset Gap Mitten Tree  
collection bin in the narthex. Presbyterian Women invite the  
congregation to participate in this collection. Sunset Gap has a tree  
up from November until February for anyone who needs a hat,  
scarf, mittens or gloves. Deadline is December 5. Questions?  
Contact Debbie Long.





On Sunday, December 5 at 6:00 p.m. we will participate in our annual Service of Lessons and Carols in the sanctuary. The **Service of Lessons and Carols** is a traditional seasonal service of scripture and music. It is a very special and intimate service celebrating the true meaning of the season AND will be offered live and in person with our Chancel Choir and FPC Ringers! Come sing the carols you love to sing at this most *wonderful* time of the year!

We are looking for some “awesome elves” (adults and older teens) to assist the children with easy crafts. All instructions and supplies will be provided. We also need craft supply donations of Hershey’s Chocolate Bars (full size/plain); small/mini and regular size candy canes, all colors of tissue paper, curling ribbon in holiday colors; white paper lunch bags, cute holiday cupcake liners (regular size), and assorted unused Christmas cards with envelopes. Contact Jenny Trussell or Carol Gardiner with questions.



### **Rollers “Holiday Gift Steal”**

**Saturday, December 18**

**6:00 - 9:00 p.m.**

Calling all FPC Rollers for an evening of fun and festivity with your FPC family! We hope you can join us at the home of Clay and Denise Griffin, 8908 Kelsey Lane (865-368-6780). This adults night out is for all singles and couples. The attire is casual, bring a dish and beverage to share (anything goes), and bring a wrapped unisex gift (approximately value \$10 - \$20) per person for the gift steal. You don’t want to miss this fun holiday social event!

### **Shepherd of Hope Pantry Holiday Food Bags!**

**Please help fill the grocery cart in the narthex** with special items our pantry offers to over 200 regular pantry guests and additional families through the school voucher program in November and December. We are storing items for scheduled distribution days so bring as soon as convenient.

**For Christmas meals:** Boxed scalloped potatoes, coffee and regular tea (*no specialty tea please*)

If you have any questions, please contact Betty Nicholls at [bettynicholls@gmail.com](mailto:bettynicholls@gmail.com) or 671-8097.

**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! To learn more about Stephen Ministry, contact the church office or one of our Stephen Ministry Leaders.



**Stephen Ministry Leaders:**

Matt Nieman, Jeanie Oakley , Elizabeth Wilson, Beth Martin



**HOLIDAY DECORATIONS**

If you would like to help us offset the cost of decorating the church for the holidays by making a contribution in honor or memory of a loved one, just fill out this form and include your check made payable to Farragut Presbyterian Church, with *"Holiday Decorations"* designated in the memo line. Place your check and this form in the offering basket, drop them off in the church office or mail them to the church. **The cost per poinsettia is \$10.00**, however, your gift may be in any amount. An insert will be included in the Christmas Eve bulletin listing the devotions.

*I am making a gift towards holiday decorations, to the Glory of God, and:*

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## This Week at

Sun, Nov 21	9:00 outdoor and 11:00 a.m. indoor/online worship		
	9:00	a.m.	FPC Kids Zone/Room 1
	10:00	a.m.	<b>Congregational Meeting</b>
	12:00	p.m.	<b>Congregational Meeting</b>
	5:00	p.m.	Confirmation Class/Library
	4:00	p.m.	Youth Group/Small & Mighty Axe Throwing
Mon, Nov 22	11:00	a.m.	Lectio Divina/Parlor
Tues, Nov 23	10:00	a.m.	PW Coordinating Team/Room A
	7:00	p.m.	Cub Scout Pack Leaders/Library
	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts/FH, Narthex, Room A
Wed, Nov 24	*****	****	<b>Church Office closes at 12 noon</b>
	*****	****	<b>CEP Closed</b>
Thur, Nov 25	*****	****	<b>Happy Thanksgiving</b>
Fri, Nov 26	*****	****	<b>Church Office Closed</b>
			<b>CEP Closed</b>

## 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>In a Boat on the Middle of a Lake – Trusting the God Who Meets Us in Our Storm</i> by Patrick & Ruth Schwenk. The authors weave together lessons from their own experience to remind us that one of the greatest ways God transforms us is through trials.
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	Room 1	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, <a href="mailto:masonwarren@fpctn.org">masonwarren@fpctn.org</a>

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**Church Office Hours:**  
 Monday - Thursday 9am-3pm; Friday 9am-1pm

*"Happy Thanksgiving"*

