



## ~The Gathering~

Prelude Toccata on *How Firm a Foundation* Young  
Linda Stutzenberger, organ

Greeting Rev. Matt Nieman

### Call to Worship

Let us hear what the Lord our God speaks:

**God speaks peace to God's people, to the faithful,  
to those who turn to God in their hearts.**

Seeking peace, in word, in song, and in prayer, let us worship God.

Hymn #260 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* Ein' feste Burg

**A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;  
Our helper He amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.**

**For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;  
His craft and power are great, and, armed with cruel hate,  
on earth is not his equal.**

**Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing;  
Were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choosing.**

**Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He,  
Lord Sabaoth His name, from age to age the same,  
And He must win the battle.**

**And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,  
We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us.**

**The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;  
His rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure,  
one little word shall fell him.**

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**That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth;  
 The Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him who with us sideth;  
 Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;  
 The body they may kill, God's truth abideth still, His kingdom is forever.**

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Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God,  
 We humbly confess that we have fallen short of who you call us to be.  
 We seek peace and comfort in our lives,  
 ignoring the needs of those around us.  
 We live our lives in ways that bring chaos and calamity to our neighbors.  
 Cleanse us from sin and show us your steadfast love,  
 so that in turning to you, we may seek unity and peace for all of creation.**

*(please continue in silent prayer)*

Kyrie Eleison #574

*Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us*

Johnson

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
 8 on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Declaration of Forgiveness

The Response #579

*Gloria Patri*

Greatorex

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly  
 6 Ghost; As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,  
 11 world with - out end. A - men A - men

The Peace

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

## ~The Word~

Prayer for Illumination

Susan Harbin

**God of Wisdom, you promise to give your Spirit to those who ask.  
Overwhelm us with your Word, that we may know you more fully, love you  
more passionately, and follow you more closely; in Jesus' name we pray.  
Amen.**

First Scripture Reading: Colossians 2:6-7

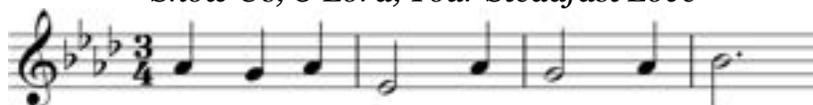
The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 85

*Show Us, O Lord, Your Steadfast Love*

Mendon



1. Show us, O Lord, your stead - fast love,  
2. Mer - cy and truth at last have met;  
3. Lord, you will grant pros - per - i - ty;



and let your sav - ing grace be near;  
jus - tice and peace are rec - on - ciled.  
our land will yield its full in - crease.



when we re - turn with o - pen hearts  
Truth has a - ris - en from the earth;  
Jus - tice shall go be - fore your face;



the Lord speaks peace and we will hear.  
jus - tice looked down from heav - en and smiled.  
the path - way for your feet is peace.

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Second Scripture Reading: Luke 11:1-13

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

“Asking and Receiving”

Rev. Matt Nieman

## ~The Response~

Affirmation of Faith (from the *PCUSA Brief Statement of Faith*)

**In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.**

**In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"**

Musical Reflection

*Selections from "Scene de ballet"*  
Jacob Nieman, violin

Charles de Beriot

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 #442

*The Church's One Foundation*

Aurelia

**The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;  
She is His new creation by water and the word;  
From heaven He came and sought her to be His holy bride;  
With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.**

**Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth,  
Her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,  
And to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.**

**Though with a scornful wonder this world sees her oppressed,  
By schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,  
Yet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up: "How long?"  
And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.**

**Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,  
She waits the consummation of peace forevermore;  
Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,  
And the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.**

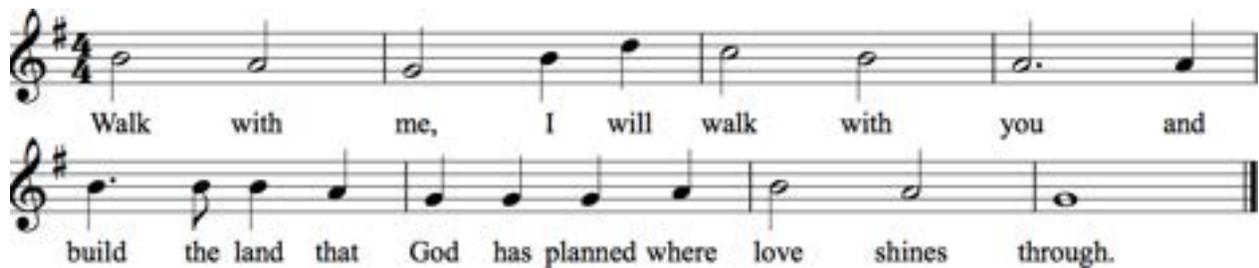
**Yet she on earth has union with God the Three in One,  
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:  
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,  
Like them, the meek and lowly, may live eternally.**

Charge and Benediction

Congregational Response

*Walk With Me*

Rice



Postlude

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

Kittel



***Our guest organist today is Dr. Linda Stutzenberger.*** Dr. Stutzenberger holds a doctoral degree in piano performance and retired in 2008 as Head of the Department of Music at Pellissippi State Community College. She and her husband, Dr. David Stutzenberger, have numerous years of experience as teachers and as church musicians. They retired in 2010 from over two decades of service at First Christian Church in downtown Knoxville. We are blessed to have her lead worship today while Tami is away.



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)

**Items for the Sunset Gap Back to School program need to be returned by today, July 24** with the tag number and child's name on the bag . Volunteers will be delivering the items later this week as school begins Aug 1. If you would like to help deliver, please contact Debbie Long.



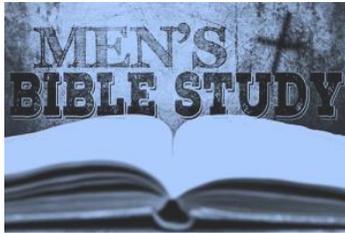
Presbyterian Women invite the congregation to join them in collecting **needed school supplies for the "Special Area" teachers** in the Sunset Gap region. (Music, art, physical education, special ed, computers, etc.)



The teachers need: **pencils, crayons, colored pencils, dry erase markers, tissue, hand sanitizer, sanitizing wipes, bottle glue, glue sticks, copy paper, construction paper, and Ziplock bags, all sizes.**

(Any donated supplies received by today will be delivered with the backpack supplies collected for the children.) **Deadline to donate is August 14.**

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY:** If you love to knit or crochet, we would love to have you join us on Tuesday, July 26 at 2pm in the parlor. This special ministry group makes prayer shawls for those in our congregation who need a special homemade comfort hug! All patterns and yarn are provided. Bring your needles and a smile and join us! Contact Debbie Long for more info.



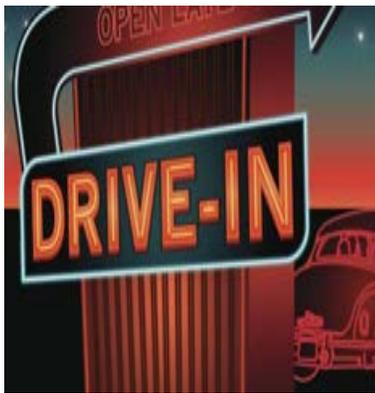
**MENS BIBLE STUDY:** All men of the church and friends are invited to join us on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of the month for food, fellowship and Bible study. Pastor Matt leads this group that meets in the narthex at 8am. Next study is on Thursday, July 28<sup>th</sup>.

**ROCKERS:** The Daytime Rockers are on summer vacation and will not be meeting in July and August. *See y'all in the Fall!*



**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SUMMER KIDZONE PROGRAM**

Pardon our royal dust as we transition the North Castle to Room A during the Big Fish Academy setup. The program runs through 8/7 on Sundays from 9 – 10 am and we still need volunteers to help with snacks and art and science projects. You can sign up for as many dates as your schedule allows (and designate your activity preference) through our easy online sign-up sheet at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050A4BA5AC2AA1FA7-kidzone>. Please contact Mason Warren at [masonwarren@fpcn.org](mailto:masonwarren@fpcn.org) with volunteer questions or to enroll your child.



**Drive-In Movie Night at**

**FPC!** Bring the kids and grandkids and join us for a showing of the Disney movie "Cars" on Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup> from 4-6pm in Fellowship Hall. The children will be provided with boxes to create "drive-in movie theater" cars!

You won't want to miss "Lightning McQueen" who gets stranded in Radiator Springs on his way to a big race!

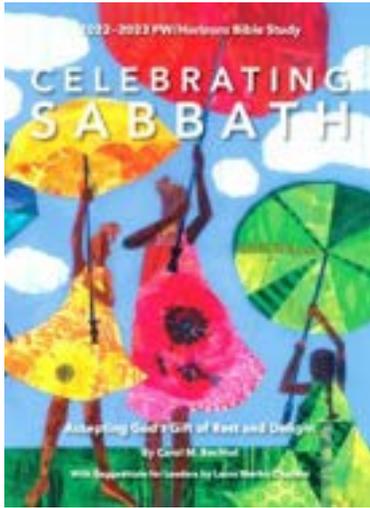


**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup>  
for our SUMMER FAIR!**



We will have ONE worship service that day at 10:00 a.m. in the sanctuary, followed by a churchwide meal in Fellowship Hall and our Summer Fair with loads of fun and games! We need volunteers to help with set-up, clean-up, and fun areas like the Thrill Zone, Splash Zone, Rocket Zone, Photo Zone, and more. Look for the sign-up sheet in the narthex, or contact Beth Honey to help.



**There will be an AUGUST GATHERING for all the women in our church.**

The gathering is scheduled for Saturday, August 13 at 11:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. It will include a brunch provided by Apple Cake Tea Room, installation of new Presbyterian Women officers, and a “Get to Know Each Other” event. Tickets prices are \$15/person and will be sold before and after both services today, July 31, and August 7 in the narthex.



**Thanks to this month’s VMC volunteers:** Mason Warren, Jacob Nieman, Turner Neely, Kirby Purjet and Gloria Purjet for serving a meal to the homeless at Volunteer Ministry Center downtown. If you would like to participate in this monthly outreach program, contact Gloria Purjet or watch for sign-up sheets in the narthex.



**Free Chair Yoga classes** are now offered two times per week: Monday mornings and Friday mornings at 10 a.m. in the narthex. These classes are perfect for beginners, seniors, and those with limited mobility and balance concerns. Please dress in comfortable clothing and appropriate footwear. All classes are taught by yoga instructors Jenny Trussell (RYT500/RCYT) and Collin Greaser (RYT), and offered at no cost. Sorry, no childcare is available. Please reach out to Jenny at [CEDARSTUDIOS4@GMAIL.COM](mailto:CEDARSTUDIOS4@GMAIL.COM) for additional information or a private introductory session! Drop-ins are welcome!

The war in Ukraine sadly continues. To help over 8 million people who have fled their homes with virtually nothing and desperately need the basics like shelter, food, and clothing, please visit [pcusa.org/pda/Ukraine](http://pcusa.org/pda/Ukraine). Pray for our siblings in Ukraine. Pray for peace.



**- WAYS TO GIVE -**

Through the church • Online at [pcusa.org/pda/Ukraine](http://pcusa.org/pda/Ukraine)  
or Text PDAUKR to 41444

## This Week at FPC

Sun, Jul 24	9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday Worship		
Mon, Jul 25	9:00	a.m.	KidZone/Room A
	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	11:00	a.m.	Lectio Divina/Parlor
Tues, Jul 26	2:00	p.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry/Parlor
	7:00	p.m.	Cub Scout #444 Leaders/Room 2
	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scout #444/FH, Narthex, Rm A
Wed, Jul 27	4:50	p.m.	FPC Fellowship Golf/Avalon Country Club
Thur, July 28	8:00	a.m.	Men's Bible Study/Narthex
	12:00	p.m.	Pastors Lunch/Library
	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
Fri, July 29	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
Sat, July 30	4:00	p.m.	<b>Drive-In Movie Night</b> /Fellowship Hall

### Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.

Class	Room	Topic
Adult Bible Study	Outside	On Summer break.
Monday Connection	Zoom and Parlor	This class is currently studying "God and the Pandemic: A Christian Reflection on the Coronavirus and Its Aftermath" by N.T. Wright. Come discover a different way of seeing and responding to the Coronavirus pandemic, an approach drawing on Scripture, Christian history, and the way of living, thinking, and praying revealed to us by Jesus.
Pastor Matt's Class	Zoom/Library	The class is focusing on some of the phrases we think are Biblical but really aren't.
Youth	Room 1	On Summer break.

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