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~ We Gather ~

Welcome — Rev. Matt Nieman

Prelude — *Bless His Holy Name* — Andraé Crouch
Shawn P. Turner, guest musician ~ Tim Mashue, bass guitar

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*Call to Worship

We gather here as the body of Christ,
God's servants working together.
God call us to worship, to hear the good news and sing our praise,
for we are the hands and feet of Jesus here and now.
Come, let us worship and sing praises to our Lord.

*Opening Songs

Awesome
and
I Love You, Lord

(see music and lyrics on next page)

*Opening Song

Awesome

by William Murphy

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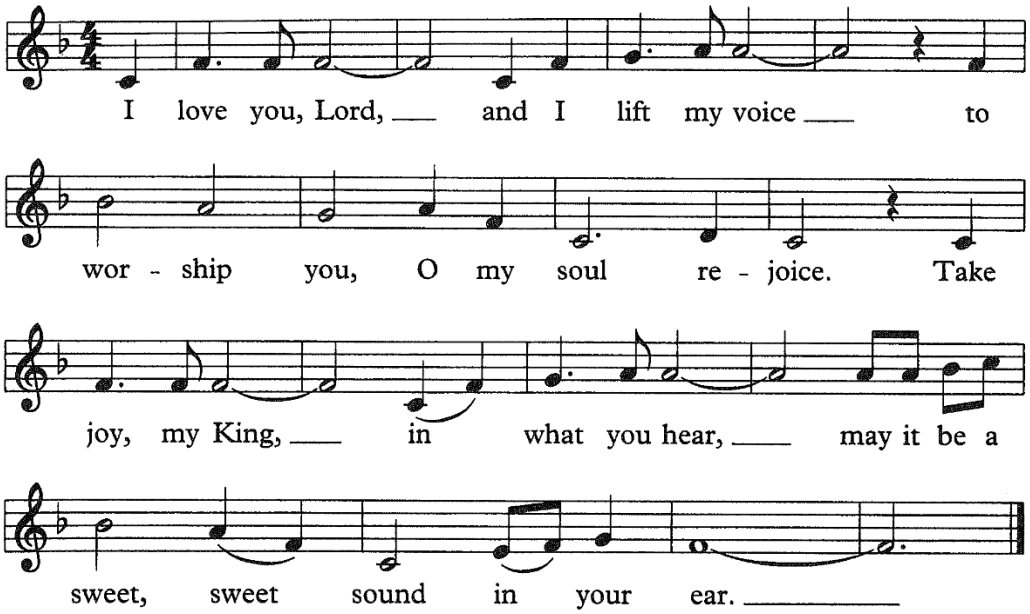
I Love You, Lord



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*Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, you set before us life and prosperity,
but we turn towards death and adversity.
We do not listen to your commandments,
we bow down to other gods: convenience, self-reliance, greed, bitterness.

Break us of our longing for gods we can see and touch.
Turn us back to you, mysterious and mighty God,
that we may observe your commandments, and walk in your ways.

(please continue in silent prayer)

*Declaration of Forgiveness

*The Peace

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

~We Proclaim~

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings: 1 Corinthians 3:1-9 [NT pg. 167]
Deuteronomy 30:15-20 [OT pg. 186]

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Choices" Rev. Matt Nieman

~The Response~

Affirmation of Faith – Romans 5:1-5

Since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

Musical Reflection *I've Decided to Make Jesus My Choice* arr. Cory Henry
Musical Ensemble

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Call to Give

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.

~We Go Out Into the World~

*Closing Song *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus* Anonymous

2. The world behind me, the cross before me …
3. Though none go with me, still I will follow …

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*Charge and Benediction

Special thanks to our Music Ensemble:

Tim Mashue, bass guitar ~ Shawn Turner, piano/vocals

Today, we welcome guest pianist/singer, Shawn P. Turner:
a UT jazz piano alum and established community musician.

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, or
- Sign the pew attendance pad

TODAY IS SCOUT SUNDAY!

Today we welcome our church-sponsored **Troop 444 and Pack 444** and their families. Troop 444 was established in 1991 and started with just five Scouts and three leaders. The troop has increased its numbers to over 40 registered Scouts today. Troop 444 is active and keeps a schedule that includes numerous outings throughout the year, including camping, hiking, cycling, caving, climbing, rafting, canoeing and more. Our troop has been instrumental in assisting with church projects like spreading mulch, cleaning lawn and parking lot areas, etc. ***Welcome Scouts!***

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING
TODAY, Sunday, February 12, 2023

Ready for the Big Game? Today our youth will be stationed at the back of the narthex following both services to collect money for the annual "Souper Bowl of Caring" fundraiser with proceeds going to help support the **Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry.** Please consider donating to this amazing cause!

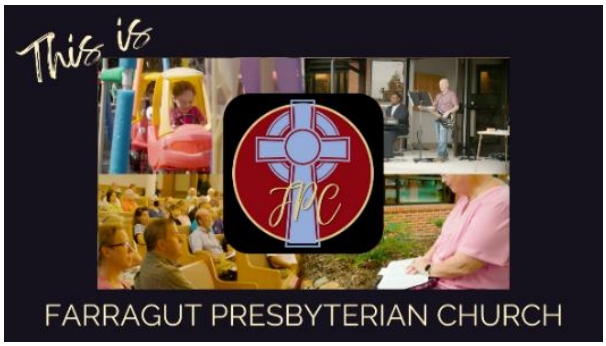
Presbytery-Wide Bible Study: *Studies in Genesis*

The final segment of this series, taught by Rev. Dr. Wendy Neff, will start today at 3:00 p.m. hosted by FPC in our library.

All classes are recorded and available at:
https://bit.ly/PET-Genesis-Bible-Study

FEED THE HOMELESS Volunteers to help feed the homeless at Volunteer Ministry Center in downtown Knoxville can sign-up in the narthex for the next meal on Tuesday, February 21. Please contact February coordinator Gayle Williams with questions.

Be sure to check out the NEW LOOK on our website at: www.fpctn.org



Our website has been refreshed and includes a new *This is FPC* video on the homepage! Our thanks to all who participated in making the video and the leadership and creative vision of Bob Colloredo and his team at Colloredo & Associates, Jenny Trussell and others. This will be the first of 3 videos promoting FPC. We are currently working on a KidZone video and casual worship video for future release. Be sure to watch *This is FPC*, "like" it, and share it with others!

Join us on February 22 at 7pm as we observe

ASH WEDNESDAY

and the beginning of Lent with prayer, music, communion and imposition of ashes.

This service will also be the beginning of our 2023 Lenten Study
"seeking: honest questions for a deeper faith."
Hope you will join us.

Syria-Turkey Earthquake

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) urges your support in the aftermath of the 7.8- magnitude earthquake and its aftershocks in Syria and Turkey. Thousands are reported dead and injured, numbers that will rise as search and rescue continues. Buildings have been reduced to rubble, and roads and bridges have been severely damaged, resulting in dangerous conditions for first responders. In some places, such as Aleppo, this destruction is compounding the damage of the now 11-year war in Syria.

PDA is providing emergency relief and short-term recovery in the impacted areas. PDA will remain active throughout the recovery process, accompanying our partners as they determine long-term program needs and providing financial support for building and resilience.

Years of recovery lie ahead, and your commitment will help PDA extend the hands of Christ. Will you stand in the "GAP" for the people affected by this catastrophic earthquake?

GIVE: PDA's emergency response and specialization in long-term recovery is fueled by your generous gifts. Gifts can be made online at pcusa.org/give-STearthquake, by phone at (800) 872-3283, or by check made payable to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) with "DR999999-ST earthquake" written on the memo line and mailed to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700

PRAY: *God of mercy, we join in prayer for our siblings in Syria and Turkey, and all other regions affected. In the face of the terrible images that come to us, we ask that your Spirit, O God, once again move in the midst of chaos and destruction. May you provide protection, energy and strength through your presence.*

❍ $500 ❍ $125 ❍ $50 ❍ $25 ❍ Other $ _____

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Congregation/PIN _____

Please detach the reply form and return it with your gift to your church; or enclose it in an envelope with your check and mail it to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700.

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Please consider helping the victims of the recent earthquake in Turkey and Syria

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY:

Candice Blake, Bob Bowman, Jim and Jane Brannon, Cheryl Cardwell, Patricia Dail, Kathi Damelio, Chuck Foriska, Paul Hanson, Mary Hoagland, Gloria Lay, Bron Lewis, Irma McGuffey, Tami Newsom, Larry Roberts, Steve Tinder, Jack Watson, Helen Weaver, Hazel West

BEREAVED:

MaryAnne Walls and family in the death of her sister, Frances, in Ohio

Use this form to register for the CHILI SHOWOFF AND BINGO NIGHT on Saturday, February 25 at 5pm or sign-up in the narthex

HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE THERE!

Chili showoff

Saturday, February 25 at 5:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall

and BINGO night

The Church Life Committee will provide drinks, chili toppings, PB & J sandwiches, corndogs & prizes for B-I-N-G-O winners!

Attendees are asked to bring their favorite chili or dessert.

Name: _____

_____ Number attending

_____ I will bring chili

_____ I will bring dessert

_____ I am unable to bring food, but plan to attend

This Week at FPC

Sun, Feb 12	9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Sunday Worship		
	*****	****	**SCOUT SUNDAY!**
	9:00	a.m.	KidZone/Room 10
	10:00	a.m.	Growing Families Small Group/Room 5
	3:00	p.m.	PET Bible Study-"Studies in Genesis"-Library/Z
	6:00	p.m.	Youth Groups – Fellowship Hall
Mon, Feb 13	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	6:15	p.m.	STEM Scouts/Fellowship Hall
	7:00	p.m.	Christian Education Committee/Zoom
	7:00	p.m.	Stephen Ministry/Room A
Tues, Feb 14	10:00	p.m.	PW Circle #1/Room A
	10:00	p.m.	PW Circle #2/Library
	11:30	a.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts #444/FH, Narthex, Room A
	7:00	p.m.	Personnel Committee/Library
Wed, Feb 15	11:30	a.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
	7:30	p.m.	Chancel Choir/Sanctuary
Thur, Feb 16	6:30	p.m.	Cub Scouts/Fellowship Hall
	7:00	p.m.	Thursday Night Bible Study/Zoom
Fri, Feb 17	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	7:00	p.m.	Gentle Yoga/Fellowship Hall

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

Class	Room	Topic
Adult Bible Study	Outside or in the Parlor in bad weather	This class discusses the Lectionary text from the sermon, and still meets under the trees in good weather and in the parlor in bad weather.
Monday Connection	Zoom and Room A	This group is discussing the book *Everything Happens for a Reason: And Other Lies I've Loved,* an autobiography by Kate Bowler who is facing cancer and the prospect of her own mortality.
Pastor Matt's Class	Library	Meets in the library on Sunday mornings at 10am for Bible study with Pastor Matt.
Youth	Room 10	The youth Sunday School class meets to "DIVE IN to the Old Testament!" Each week throughout the 2023 school year, youth explore a specific book of the Old Testament utilizing videos and discussion.

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To praise God, welcome all, serve others, grow in faith and make disciples of Jesus Christ.