

FARRAGUT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



seeking:
Will you give
me a drink?

3rd SUNDAY IN LENT
March 12, 2023 ~ 9 am

*indicates standing, if able.

This service is being recorded by video and audio means.

~ We Gather ~



Welcome

Rev. Matt Nieman

Prelude

You Are Welcome in This Place
Musical Ensemble

Miriam Webster

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*Call to Worship

We gather together—

**the seekers, the dreamers, the shooting-star wishers,
in hopes of seeing God.**

We gather together—

**the curious, the hungry, the loving, the lonely,
in hopes of finding peace.**

We gather together—

**those who are thirsty and those with water to spare,
in hopes of finding justice.**

So come to the well, come to the table.

Come, let us worship God.

*Opening Songs

I Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For
and
Lord, I Need You
(see music and lyrics on next page)

I have climbed highest mountains
I have run through the fields
Only to be with you
Only to be with you
I have run
I have crawled
I have scaled these city walls
These city walls
Only to be with you

**But I still haven't found what I'm looking for
But I still haven't found what I'm looking for**

I have kissed honey lips
Felt the healing in her fingertips
It burned like fire
This burning desire
I have spoke with the tongue of angels
I have held the hand of a devil
It was warm in the night
I was cold as a stone

**But I still haven't found what I'm looking for
But I still haven't found what I'm looking for**

I believe in the kingdom come
Then all the colors will bleed into one
Bleed into one
But yes I'm still running
You broke the bonds
And you loosed the chains
Carried the cross
Of my shame
Oh my shame
You know I believe it

**But I still haven't found what I'm looking for
But I still haven't found what I'm looking for
But I still haven't found what I'm looking for
But I still haven't found what I'm looking for**

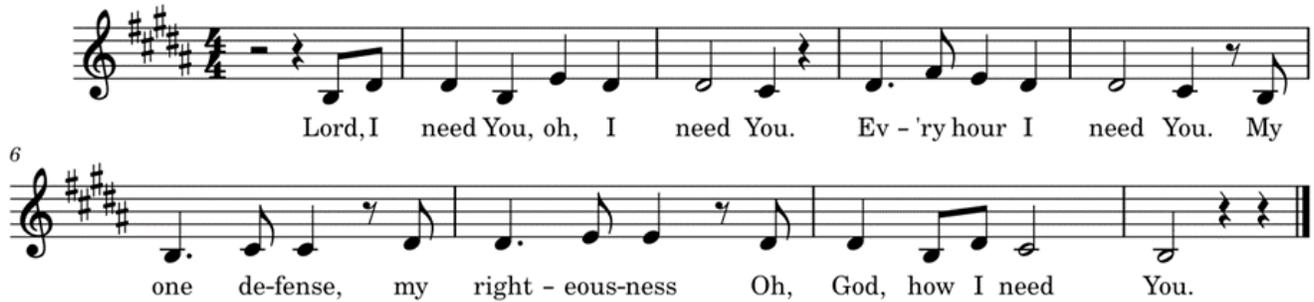
*Opening Song

Lord, I Need You

VERSE 1

Lord I come I confess
Bowing here I find my rest
And without You I fall apart
You're the one that guides my heart

CHORUS 1



6

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You. Ev - 'ry hour I need You. My
one de-fense, my right - eous-ness Oh, God, how I need You.

VERSE 2

Where sin runs deep Your grace is more
Where grace is found is where You are
And where You are Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me
Where You are Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me

BRIDGE

So teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay

CHORUS 2



6

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You. Ev - 'ry hour I need You. My
one de-fense, my right - eous-ness; Oh, God, how I need You. My
10
one de-fense, my right - eous-ness; Oh, God, how I need You.

*Prayer of Confession

**Holy God, we have been on every side of this story.
We have been the one who is thirsty and in need of compassion,
and we have been the one with a bucket and a deep well.
So today we wonder: how often have we missed the opportunity
to share water with our neighbors?
How often have we forgotten that we have a bucket
and the power to bring change?
How often have we simply decided that justice and compassion
were not worth the work?**

**Forgive our fragile hearts and remind us that it was you who sat at that well in
Samaria in the heat of the day. It was you. It is still you. With hope we pray.**

(please continue in silent prayer)

*Declaration of Forgiveness

*The Peace

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

Moment with the Children

Mason Warren

~We Proclaim~

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings: Exodus 17:1-7
John 4:5-15

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[NT pg. 94]

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

Sermon

“Will You Give Me A Drink?”

Rev. Matt Nieman



Living Water

artwork by: Rev. Lauren Wright Pittman
| sanctifiedart.org |

~The Response~

*Responsive Affirmation of Faith

We believe that a glass of water given to us by a stranger can taste like justice.

We believe that honest conversation has the power to change us.

We believe that all God's children have a voice and something to say.

**We believe that Jesus loves the outcast, the ignored, the shamed,
and the abandoned.**

We believe in asking questions.

We believe in curiosity.

We believe in giving people a drink.

May we be brave enough to give people a drink. Amen.

Musical Reflection

All Who Are Thirsty
Musical Ensemble

Brenton Brown | Glenn Robertson

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Outreach Presentation

Kirk Morris

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

My Lighthouse

Chris Llewellyn | Gareth Gilkeson

Verse 1

In my wrestling and in my doubts
In my failures You won't walk out
Your great love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa oh
You are the peace in my troubled sea

Verse 2

In the silence You won't let go
In the questions Your truth will hold
Your great love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa oh
You are the peace in my troubled sea

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Chorus

My Light-house, my Light-house_ shin-ing in the dark-ness,
4 I will fol-low You! Oh,_ my Light-house, my Light-house,
7 I will trust the prom-ise: You will car-ry me safe to shore, safe to
11 shore, safe to shore, safe to shore.

My Lighthouse my Lighthouse
Shining in the darkness
I will follow You oh
My Lighthouse my Lighthouse
I will trust the promise
You will carry me safe to shore
Safe to shore safe to shore safe to shore

Verse 3

I won't fear what tomorrow brings
With each morning I'll rise and sing
My God's love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa oh
You are the peace in my troubled sea

Bridge

Fire before us
You're the brightest
You will lead us
Through the storms (hey)

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*Charge and Benediction



Special thanks to our Music Ensemble:

Sandra Porter Bohlken, vocals, piano and guitar ~ Tim Mashue, bass guitar



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@fpcn.org, or
- Sign the pew attendance pad



Our 2023 Lenten Study is *“seeking: honest questions for a deeper faith.”*

A special e-reader version of this year’s Lenten devotional is available at:

<https://online.flippingbook.com/view/928029194/>

seeking: *Will you give me a drink?*
anything and everything

I’d give you a drink,
 a warm cup of tea with lemon and mint,
 a confetti cannon, roses from the garden,
 my favorite sweatshirt, a bed to lay in,
 homemade bread, a hand to hold.
 I’d give you my full attention.
 I’d give you my phone,
 and say, put your number in.
 I’d give you the melody line,
 a standing ovation,
 a sense of security.
 I’d give you anything and everything
 if it made you believe
 that you were enough.



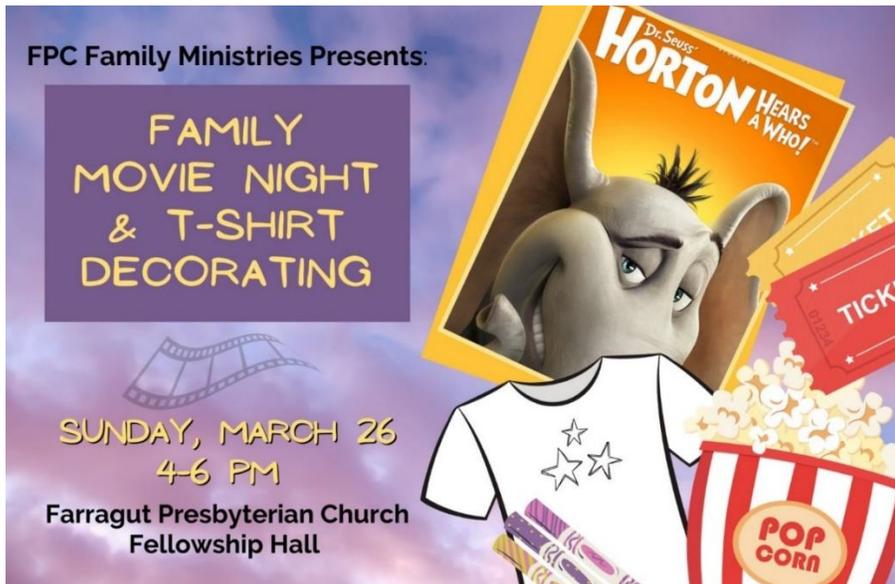
poem written by: Rev. Sarah Speed
artwork “Wet Stones” by: Carmelle Beaugelin | sanctifiedart.org |

Our church has been asked to contribute boxes of cake mix and cans of icing (festive for Easter) to the Easter Bags that will be distributed at [Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry](#) later this month. We are hoping to collect enough to fill 150 bags for local families. Betty Nicholls is coordinating this effort and will have a shopping cart in the narthex along with a collection table in Room A. The collection will run from now until March 31. Please contact Betty if you have questions or would like to help.



Special thanks to our “Mardi Gras” volunteers who fed the homeless at [Volunteer Ministry Center](#) last month: Robert and Terry Olberding, Gale Montgomery, Gayle Williams and Claire Ramsay.

The next meal will be served on Tuesday, March 21. Carol Kraft is the meal coordinator. Please consider volunteering for this valuable outreach program by signing up in the narthex.



PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH

FAMILY: Candice Blake, David Bolus, Bob Bowman, Jim & Jane Brannon, Patricia Dail, Chuck Foriska, Paul Hanson, Gloria Lay, Bron Lewis, Irma McGuffey, Tami Newsom, Larry Roberts, Steve Tinder, Helen Weaver, Hazel West, Kent Williams

BEREAVED: The family of Gloria Lay, mother of Gloria (Kirby) Purjet

We will watch "Horton Hears a Who," have light snacks, toys to play with, and will decorate T-shirts! Bring a plain white or light-colored t-shirt to decorate. Contact Mason Warren for more information!



Presbyterian Women will be selling tickets today for their **BIRTHDAY OFFERING LUNCHEON** on Saturday, April 1st at 11:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Lisa Grugin, owner of Meadowview Greenhouse, will be the guest speaker and lunch will be provided by *Chicken Salad Chick*. Tickets are \$15 each and will be sold before and after services in the narthex. All women of the church and friends are invited! Contact Beth White with any questions



Palm Sunday, April 2

One worship service at 10am with Children's Palm Processional followed by a Congregational Brunch in Fellowship Hall

Maundy Thursday, April 6

Worship Service at 7pm in the Sanctuary

Good Friday, April 7

Prayer Vigil in the Sanctuary or at home
Sign up at: <https://tinyurl.com/fpcgoodfridayprayervigil>

Easter Services, April 9

9am Casual and 11am Traditional worship services with Children's Easter Egg Hunt at 10am

time to clean out the garden shed and donate unused items to the

Posies for the Pantry

Bargain Shed

gently-used garden tools, décor and supplies will be resold to benefit
Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry

drop off items to the church rear parking lot picnic tables between now and April 15 - contact Jim & Annette Meador for more information



SUNSET GAP ANNUAL AUCTION

WHEN
Saturday,
April 15th, 2023
Supper - 4:00 to 5:30
Auction starts @ 5:45

WHERE
Sunset Gap
Community Center
1300 Sunset Gap Road, Cosby TN 37722

FEATURING **dinner**
Hundreds of items up for Auction

www.SunsetGap.weebly.com

DINNER MENU
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Dessert
Drink
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John Holt

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SAVE THE DATE



Posies for the Pantry

A flower fundraiser of annuals, perennials, herbs and native plants plus unique crafters

April 22, 2023
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
(rain or shine)

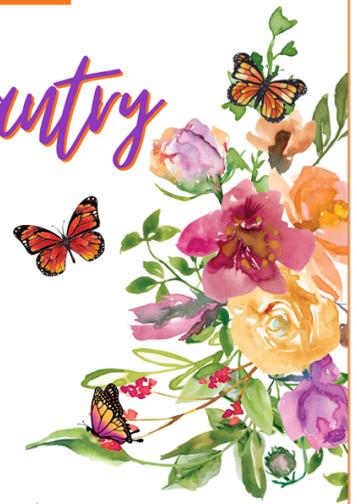
Farragut Presbyterian Church
209 Jamestowne Blvd.

proceeds benefit



Community churches supporting the pantry:

Faith Lutheran - Concord Methodist - First Baptist, Concord - Grassy Valley Baptist & Farragut Presbyterian



Be sure to ask Hal and Jeanie Oakley about their recent trip to Costa Rica and their visit with our FPC-supported missionaries, Mark Hare and Jenny Bent and their daughters, Keila and Annika.

This Week at FPC

Sun, Mar 12	9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Sunday Worship		
Mon, Mar 13	10:00	a.m.	Growing Families Small Group/Room 5
	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	7:00	p.m.	Christian Education Committee/Zoom
Tues, Mar 14	7:00	p.m.	Stephen Ministry Group/Room A
	10:00	a.m.	PW Circle #1/Room A
	10:00	a.m.	PW Circle #2/Library
Thur, Mar 16	7:00	p.m.	Personnel Committee/Library
	7:00	p.m.	Thursday Night Bible Study/Zoom
Fri, Mar 17	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	7:00	p.m.	Gentle Yoga/Narthex

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/Pastor Matt's Class	Zoom and Room A	These two groups will combine during the Lenten season to go into a more intense study of the questions from our Lenten study "seeking: honest questions for deeper faith."
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.*

