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Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost



~ We Gather ~

Welcome

Rev. Matt Nieman

Prelude

Nobody Loves Me Like You
Musical Ensemble

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*Call to Worship

You have been called to the banquet.

This is the feast.

You have been summoned to the wedding.

This is the feast of life and light.

From the streets and the byways, God has invited us.

We have come to the banquet that has no end.

Alleluia! Amen!

*Opening Songs

We Are Marching
and
We Say Yes

(words and music printed on following pages)

(English) We are march - ing* in the light of God, we are
 (Zulu**) Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya -
 (Spanish) Ca - mi - nan - do en la luz de Dios, ca - mi -

1
 march - ing in the light of God. _____ We are
 hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos. _____ Si - ya -
 nan - do en la luz de Dios. _____ Ca - mi -

2
 of God _____ we are march - ing _____
 kwen - khos' _____ si - ya - ham - ba _____
 de Dios _____ ca - mi - nan - do _____

march - ing in the light of, the light of God. We are march - ing, march - ing, we are
 hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen kha - nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya -
 nan - do en la luz de la luz de Dios. Ca - mi - nan - do va - mos, ca - mi -

— Ooo
 — Ooo
 — Ooo

(Last time) D.S.

march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing in the light of God. _____ We are
 ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos. _____ Si - ya -
 nan - do va - mos, ca - mi - nan - do en la luz de Dios. _____ Ca - mi -

(Last time)

*Opening Song

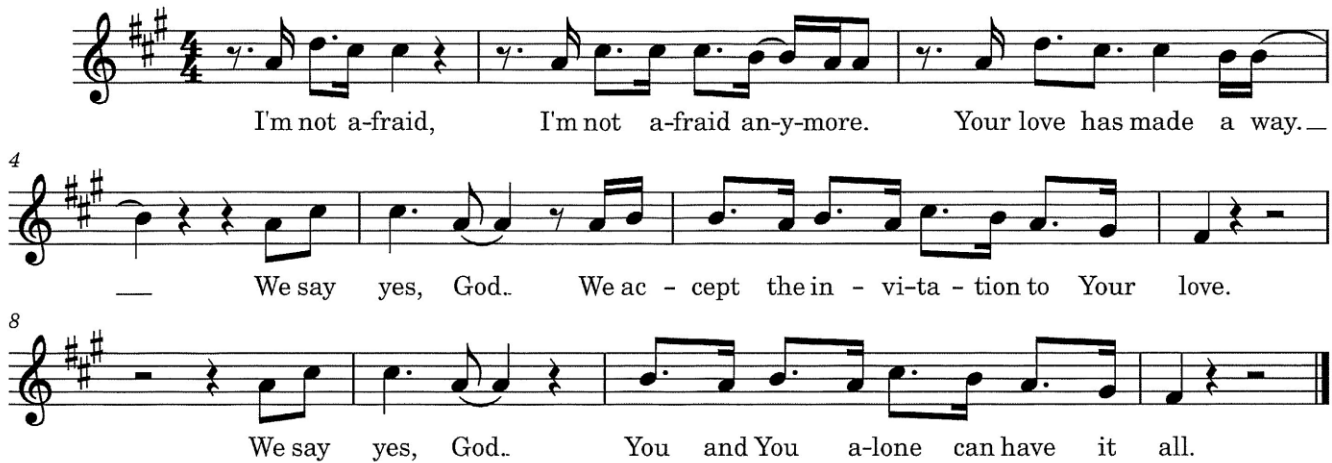
We Say Yes

Jonathan Jay | Kyle Maloney
| Nate Moore | Pat Barrett | Tony Brown

Verse 1

You knock on the door of my heart
And I will answer You I will answer You
You make me a covenant of love
And I will walk with You I will walk with You

Chorus



I'm not a-fraid, I'm not a-fraid an-y-more. Your love has made a way. —
4 We say yes, God.. We ac - cept the in - vi-ta - tion to Your love.
8 We say yes, God.. You and You a-lone can have it all.

Verse 2

You lead me by waters that are calm
And I will follow You I will follow You
You're dancing and singing over us
And I will dance with You I will dance with You

Bridge

I've made up my mind
I've got no more excuses
So we open the door and we let You in

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*Prayer of Confession

You invite us to your feast, O God, and we do not come. You beg us to give thanks for life, and we fail in our thanksgiving. You have made for us a wonderful earth, and we neglect the gift.

Forgive us for what we have done and for abandoning the pathway you desire for us. Be our guide and conscience. Turn our feet and hands to your will, that all we do might give glory to you.

(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

Kelly Schueler

Your word, O God, is a feast all its own. Let your Holy Spirit open our minds to your call to listen, for we know your holy Word heals and reconciles your people. Amen.

Scripture Readings: Philippians 4:4-9
Matthew 22:1-14

Kelly Schueler
Rev. Matt Nieman

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

Sermon

“Accepting the Invitation”

Rev. Matt Nieman

~We Respond~

Affirmation of Faith – from the Confession of ‘67

We believe that we are created to respond to God’s love. Life is a gift to be received with gratitude and a task to be pursued with courage. We are free when we seek our life within the purpose of God. Thus we develop and protect the resources of nature for the common welfare, work for justice and peace in society, and use all creative powers for the fulfillment of human life.

Musical Reflection

The Blessing
Musical Ensemble

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Call for Giving

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

Holy Water

Verse 1

God I'm on my knees again
God I'm begging please again
I need You
Oh I need You
Walking down these desert roads
Water for my thirsty soul
I need You
Oh I need You

Your for - give-ness is like sweet, sweet hon-ey on my lips,
7 like the sound of a sym-pho-ny to my ears, like ho - ly
13 wa - ter on my skin.

Verse 2

Dead man walking slave to sin
I wanna know about being born again
I need You
Oh God I need You
So take me to the riverside
Take me under baptize
I need You
Oh God I need You oh

Bridge

I don't wanna abuse Your grace
God I need it ev'ry day
It's the only thing that ever really
Makes me wanna change

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*Charge and Benediction



Special thanks to today's Music Ensemble:

Sandra Bohlken, guitar and vocals ~ Tim Mashue, bass guitar
Joey Nieman, guitar and vocals ~ Kevin Zetina, percussion

If you would like the church office to record your attendance today, you can:



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- Email the office at office@fpcn.org, or
- Sign the pew attendance pad if service is indoors

“CHAT WITH MATT” INQUIRER CLASSES: Pastor Matt will be leading two weeks of a class tailored for interested visitors, as well as any curious member of the congregation. Called an “Inquirer Class”, Matt will cover a short review of Reformed Theology and specifically what Presbyterians feel is important to their faith. This is also a time to learn more about the mission and outreach emphasis here at FPC. Have you ever wondered what responsibilities the Administration Committee has? or Church Life? Come meet Matt in the Fellowship Hall at 10am today, October 15th and on October 22nd, and find out! For more information check with Dawn in the church office, or Mikie at mikielancaster@gmail.com.



of God! Please join us for rehearsal and fellowship this Wednesday night, October 18, and Sunday, October 22 as we MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE!

Our celebration is this week! We invite you, our friends, to participate in our annual **“Invite a Friend to Choir” Day**. As we have in the past, we would like to fill the choir loft with the people of God who are bonded together through music. This event is NOT just for people who know how to read music, or who have sung in a choir before. No previous experience is required! The music ministry of Farragut Presbyterian IS for ALL the people

FEEDING THE HUNGRY: Our special thanks to Gayle Williams, September Coordinators Karen Brown Gonzalez and Chuck Gonzalez, and Jean Peretz for volunteering to prepare and serve the less fortunate at Volunteer Ministry Center in downtown Knoxville last month. If you would like to participate in this important ministry, be sure to sign up in the narthex for the next luncheon on Tuesday, October 17th, led by Terry and Robert Olberding.



SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY: We have been asked to provide specific items for holiday meals in November and December for food pantry families. We'll be collecting boxes/bags of stuffing mix, cake mixes, and ready-to-use cans of frosting. In total for the two months, we figure we'll need 400 of each item. You can place your donations in the Shepherd of Hope shopping cart in the narthex. Thank you for your continued support of this special outreach to our community.

OCTOBER TRIP TO CAM: It's time again to clean out your craft and sewing rooms for donations to the CAM (Coalition for Appalachian Ministry) Craft Store in Townsend, TN. The trip is planned for late October, and you are welcome to ride along by contacting Debbie Long or Mikie Lancaster. All donations are appreciated but some specific items are particularly needed: zippers (any size), thread (especially brown, black and white), buttons (1/2" black are used most), quilt batting, flannel, old jeans and bandanas, and old, even broken, costume jewelry. Donations can be placed in the narthex basket or contact Mikie or Debbie for pickup.



All women of the church are invited to the **Presbyterian Women Thank Offering Luncheon** on Saturday, November 4th at 11:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. The guest speaker will be Lisa Grugin, owner of Meadow View Greenhouses & Garden Center in Lenoir City. She will be speaking about preparing our outdoor plants and garden beds for winter. Jason's Deli will cater the lunch. \$15 tickets will be sold today, October 22 and October 29th. Be sure to purchase yours at the narthex table before or after worship. For more information, contact PW moderator Nancy Rightmyer.



Join the FPC Family Ministry, in collaboration with Faith Lutheran, for this year's **TRUNK OR TREAT** as we embark on a wild jungle adventure hunting for all kinds of treasure!

This year's event will be held on Sunday, October 22nd from 5-7 pm in the FPC parking lot. If you are interested in hosting a trunk or volunteering your time this year, please reach out to Mason Warren, masonwarren@fpc.tn.org, as soon as possible.

If you are interested in donating prizes, please contact Mason to receive a list of requested prizes.



PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY:

Helen Agee, Candice Blake, Bob Bowman, Kathy Emmerson, Frank Guess, Paul Hanson, Jimmy and Beth Loyless, Irma McGuffey, Tami Newsom, Betsy Starr, Steve Tinder, Gail Wallace, Helen Weaver, Kent Williams

This Week at FPC

Sun, Oct 15		9:00 a.m. Casual and 11:00 Traditional Worship Services	
	9:00	a.m.	KidZone/Fellowship Hall
	10:00	a.m.	Growing Families Small Group/Library
	10:00	a.m.	Chat with Matt Inquirer Class /Fellowship Hall
	5:00	p.m.	Small & Mighty Youth Group Game Night/FH
Mon, Oct 16	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	11:45	a.m.	Big Fish Music/Room A
	7:00	p.m.	Property Committee/Library
Tues, Oct 17	10:30	a.m.	Feed the Homeless /Volunteer Ministry Center
	11:45	a.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
	7:00	p.m.	Administration Committee/Library
	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scout Troop #444 /FH, Narthex, Room A
Wed, Oct 18	11:45	a.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
	7:00	p.m.	Invite A Friend to Choir Welcome /Narthex
	7:30	p.m.	Chancel Choir and Friends Rehearsal/Room A
Thur, Oct 19	11:45	a.m.	Big Fish Music/Room A
	7:00	p.m.	Thursday Night Bible Study/Zoom
Fri, Oct 20	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	7:00	p.m.	Gentle Yoga Class/Narthex



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