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Baptism of the Lord



~We Gather~

Greeting Rev. Matt Nieman

Prelude

What a Beautiful Name Musical Ensemble

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*Call to Worship

God said, "Let there be light,"
and there was light.
God's speech
is God's action.
When God creates,
the creation is good.
God our maker has done it again.
God has brought us to a new dawn.
Let us worship God!

*Opening Songs

O Come, Let Us Adore Him and Light of the World (Sing Hallelujah)

*Opening Song

O Come, Let Us Adore Him



- joy ful and tri umph ant. O
- 2. Sing choirs of an gels.
- Sing in ex ul ta tion.
- 3. Yes Lord, we greet Thee.
- Born this hap py morn ing.



come ye, 0 come Beth le - hem. ye to Sing all cit - i - zens of heav'n ye bove. Je - sus, to Thee be all glo giv'n.

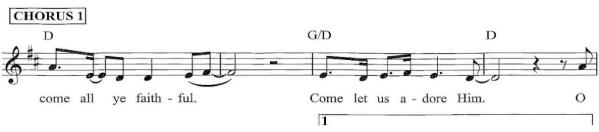
Come and be - hold Him. Glo - ry to God. Word of the Fa - ther,





Born the King of an - gels. O come let us a - dore Him. O come let us a -Glo - ry in the high - est. now in flesh ap - pear - ing.







Chorus 2

O sing hallelujah Come let us adore Him O sing hallelujah Come let us adore Him

*Song

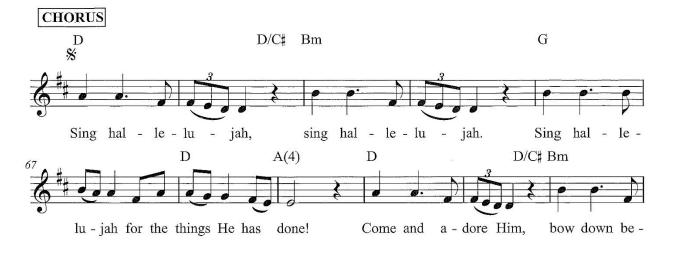
Light of the World (Sing Hallelujah)

Verse 1

Light of the World Treasure of Heaven Brilliant like the stars in the wintery sky Joy of the Father reach through the darkness Shine across the earth send the shadows to flight

Verse 2

Light of the World from the beginning The tragedies of time were no match for Your love From great heights of glory You saw my story God You entered in and became one of us





Verse 3

Light of the world crown in a manger Born for the cross to suffer to save High King of Heaven death is the poorer We are the richer by the price that He paid

Verse 4

Light of the World soon will be coming With fire in His eyes He will ransom His own Through clouds He will lead us straight into glory And there He shall reign forevermore forevermore

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*Prayer of Confession

God of all glory, you look from heaven and see us as we are – not worthy to kneel at your feet, not ready to welcome your way.

Forgive us gracious God. In Christ, stoop down to save us; loosen the ties that bind us to sin and set us free to love and serve you; in Jesus' name. Amen.

(please continue in silent prayer)

*Declaration of Forgiveness

*The Peace

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

~We Proclaim~

Moment with the Children

Prayer for Illumination Dan Greaser

Send down your Holy Spirit, O God – tear open the veil of heaven and speak to us as beloved children so we may hear and believe the good news of your Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Readings: Genesis 1:1-5

Mark 1:4-11

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Dan Greaser

[Pew Bible pg. 34]

Rev. Matt Nieman

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Rev. Matt Nieman Sermon "What Accompanies Us"

~We Respond~

Affirmation of Faith – from the PCUSA Study Catechism

What does it mean to be baptized?

My baptism means that I am joined to Jesus Christ forever. I am baptized into his death and resurrection, along with all who have received him by faith. As I am baptized with water, he baptizes me with his Spirit, washing away all my sins and freeing me from their control. My baptism is a sign that one day I will rise with him in glory and may walk with him even now in newness of life.

Musical Reflection

All My Fountains Musical Ensemble

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Call for Giving

~We Remember~

The Invitation to the Lord's Table

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.

Words of Institution

The Communion of the People

Reprise of "Light of the World"

The Prayer after Communion

~We Go Out Into the World~

*Closing Song

I Saw the Light

Verse 1

I wandered so aimless life filled with sin I wouldn't let my dear Savior in Then Jesus came like a stranger in the night Praise the Lord I saw the light

Chorus

I saw the light I saw the light No more in darkness no more in night (And) now I'm so happy no sorrow in sight Praise the Lord I saw the light

Verse 2

Just like a blind man I wandered along Worries and fears I claimed for my own Then like the blind man that God gave back his sight Praise the Lord I saw the light

Verse 3

I was a fool to wander and stray Straight is the gate and narrow the way Now I have traded the wrong for the right Praise the Lord I saw the light

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*Charge and Benediction



Special thanks to today's music ensemble:

Sandra Bohlken, piano & vocals ~ Jacob Nieman, violin & vocals ~ Joey Nieman, guitar & vocals Mindy Houlihan, vocals ~ Tim Mashue, bass guitar ~ Kevin Zetina, percussion

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 <u>office@fpctn.org</u>, or
- Sign the pew attendance pad.





Youth Group is resuming youth activities TODAY Sunday, January 7th with a **YOUTH GROUP CHRISTMAS PARTY** starting at 5:45 pm in the youth room! Contact Mason Warren for more information:

masonwarren@fpctn.org. Dinner provided. No presents, just your presence requested!

A special thank you to Wayne Walls, Hal Oakley, Ken Ladrach, David Stutzenberger and Tom Koch for volunteering to feed the hungry at **VOLUNTEER MINISTRY CENTER** on December 19th. If you would like to participate in this important outreach opportunity, please contact Jean Peretz, January meal coordinator. The next meal will be served on Tuesday, January 16th. A sign-up sheet is in the narthex.





MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Men of the church meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursday mornings at 8am in the narthex for Bible study, fellowship, coffee and light breakfast snacks. January studies will be on Jan. 11th and Jan. 25th. Contact John Neighbors for more information.

The Church Office will be <u>CLOSED</u> on Monday, January 15th to observe and honor the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr. Normal office hours will resume on Tuesday, January 16th.



NEW ELDER INSTALLATION and ORDINATION will be on Sunday, January 21, 2024 during both worship services. Please plan on attending and supporting our new members of Session.



Our last summer sabbatical worship leader, <u>Jessica</u> <u>Lewis</u>, will be ordained as Minister of the Word and Sacrament within the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) on Sunday, January 21st at 3pm in Lambert Hall at Maryville College, Maryville, TN. The ordination is open to the public and all are invited to attend and show Jessica their support.



Congratulations to Marc And Kirsten Maley on the birth of baby *Charlotte Karen Maley*, born 12/28/23 at 12:34 pm weighing 9 pounds 6 ounces and 21 inches long! Mom, baby, Dad and big brother Thomas are all doing well. Proud grandparents are Karen Brown Gonzalez & Chuck Gonzalez.





ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS will be held after worship services on Sunday, January 28, 2024. We will review the budget for 2024 and consider the pastor's terms of call as part of the agenda. Please plan on attending one of these important meetings.



Family Ministries will be hosting a **FAMILY TRIVIA NIGHT** with a soup, salad and bread potluck on Sunday,
January 28th at 3pm in Fellowship Hall. Families are
encouraged to come and compete alongside others in a
friendly game of intergenerational trivia! Topics covered will
range from all ages and you are sure to walk away having
learned something new! Please contact Mason Warren,
Director of Family Ministries, for more details.

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY: Candy Blake, Denise Damelio, Billie Fain, Chuck Foriska, Frank Guess, Paul Hanson, Barbara Kivlin, Bron Lewis, Jimmy and Beth Loyless, Irma McGuffey, Maria Medina, Janet Murphy, Tami Newsom, Steve Tinder, Helen Weaver

BEREAVED:

The family of Ruth Ewald, Linda's mother The family of Diane Lovin, friend of the church The family of FPC member Bill Lester



For more photos from our holiday season visit our website: www.fpctn.org.



This Week at FPC

| Sun, Jan 07 | 9:00 a.m. Casual and 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Services | | |
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| | 5:45 | p.m. | Youth Group Christmas Party/Youth Room |
| Mon, Jan o8 | 10:00 | a.m. | Chair Yoga/Narthex |
| | 12:00 | p.m. | Big Fish Music/Room A |
| | 6:00 | p.m. | STEM Scouts/Fellowship Hall |
| | 7:00 | p.m. | Christian Education Committee/Zoom |
| | 7:00 | p.m. | Stephen Ministry Group/Library |
| Tues, Jan 09 | 10:00 | a.m. | PW Circle #1/Room A |
| | 10:00 | a.m. | PW Circle #2/Library |
| | 12:00 | p.m. | Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary |
| | 7:00 | p.m. | Boy Scouts #444/FH,Room A, Narthex |
| | 7:00 | p.m. | Personnel Committee/Library |
| Wed, Jan 10 | 10:00 | a.m. | PW Circle #3/Library |
| | 12:00 | p.m. | Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary |
| Thurs, Jan 11 | 8:00 | a.m. | Men's Bible Study/Narthex |
| | 12:00 | p.m. | Big Fish Music/Room A |
| | 6:30 | p.m. | Cub Scouts/Fellowship Hall |
| | 7:00 | p.m. | Thursday Night Bible Study/Zoom |
| Fri, Jan 12 | 10:00 | a.m. | Chair Yoga/Narthex |
| | 7:00 | p.m. | Gentle Yoga Class/Narthex |
| Sat, Jan 13 | 1:00 | p.m. | Fellowship Hall reserved |

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

| Class | Room | Topic |
|---------------------|--------------------|---|
| Adult Bible Study | Outside or in Room | This class discusses the Lectionary text from the |
| | D in bad weather | sermon, and still meets under the trees in good weather |
| | | and in Room D in not-so-good weather. |
| Pastor Matt's Class | Library | Doubts are a common part of our faith. This six-week |
| | | study will focus on some of the most popular doubts |
| | | Christians and non-Christians face. And hopefully, we |
| | | will be led to a greater trust in God that is not afraid of |
| | | the hard questions. Based on Adam Hamilton's |
| | | Wrestling with Doubt, Finding Faith |
| Youth | Café (Parlor) | The youth Sunday School class meets to "DIVE IN to |
| | | the Old Testament!" Each week throughout the school |
| | | year, youth explore a specific book of the Old |
| | | Testament utilizing videos and discussion. |





FARRAGUT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Church Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday 9am-3pm; Friday 9am-1pm

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|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
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| Director of Music | Dr. Angela L. Batey |
| Associate Director of Music | Tami Newsom |
| Music Leader for Casual Worship | Sandra Porter Bohlken |
| Office Administrator | Dawn Zilles |
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