



FARRAGUT
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

"Come and See"

JANUARY 14, 2024
11:00 a.m.



This service is being recorded by video and audio means.

*We invite you to stand as able.

2nd Sunday after Epiphany



~The Gathering~

PRELUDE

How Brightly Shines the Morning Star
Dr. Linda Stutzenberger, organ

Buxtehude

GREETING

Rev. Matt Nieman

CALL TO WORSHIP

The boy Samuel heard God's voice in the night.

We come listening for God's voice.

God knew us before we knew ourselves.

We come listening for God's voice.

Our minds, bodies, and souls belong to God.

We come listening for God's voice.

We come to this place to listen and follow.

Let us worship God!

*HYMN #485

To God Be the Glory

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**To God be the glory, great things He hath done!
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.**

(Refrain) **Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the earth hear His voice!**

**Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory; great things He hath done!**

**Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer, and higher, and greater will be
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. *(Refrain)***

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*PRAYER OF ADORATION

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God, you see into each of us and know us fully as creatures
in need of your constant care. We confess that we have neither
heard your word nor followed your will. We have failed our
nation, neighbors, families, friends, and ourselves.**

**Give us ears to hear your wisdom. Lead us to honesty and faith
so we may begin again with renewed strength.**

(please continue in silent prayer)

*KYRIE ELEISON

O Waly Waly

**Come, Spirit come, our hearts control.
Our Spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed,
By this we worship and are freed.**

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*GLORIA PATRI

Festal Song

**Arise, your light is come!
The Mountains burst in song!
Rise up like eagles on the wing;
God's pow'r will make us strong.**

*THE PEACE

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

~The Word~

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

David Stutzenberger

**By your Holy Spirit, O God, open our ears, our eyes, our hearts,
and our minds to the Holy Word so it comes to rule within us
for Jesus' sake. Amen.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Samuel 3:1-10

[Pew Bible pg. 247]

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 139

Brenda Luggie, cantor

Hopson



Lord, you have searched me, you know me through and through.

You know when I rise up; you know when I rest;
you read my thoughts from far away.
You watch over each step; you know when I sleep;
you are acquainted with all my ways. **(R)**

Even before a word is on my lips,
you know what is in my heart.
You are before me and behind me, and all around me;
you lay your hand upon me. **(R)**

Every part of me, O Lord, you created;
You knit me together in my mother's womb.
I will praise you for the wonder of my being,
for the wonder of all you have made. **(R)**

Lord, you know me through and through;
you saw me before I was born;
my days were recorded in your book
even before my days were to come. **(R)**

How dear to me are your thoughts, O God;
I could never count them.
I could not count them any more than I could count the sand,
and if I could, you would still be with me. **(R)**

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: John 1:43-51

Rev. Matt Nieman

The Gospel of the Lord.

[Pew Bible pg. 92]

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

“Can Anything Good Come from There?”

Rev. Matt Nieman

~The Response~

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – (Question 1 from the Heidelberg Catechism)

What is your only comfort in life and in death?

That I belong—body and soul, in life and in death—not to myself but to my faithful savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

THE ANTHEM

Come Down, O Love Divine
Brenda Luggie, soprano

Bullard

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 #339

Be Thou My Vision

Slane

**Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Nought be all else to me, save that Thou art-
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.**

**Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
Great God of heaven, my treasure Thou art.**

**Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.**

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*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #434

Kingsfold

**Today we all are called to be Disciples of the Lord,
To help to set the captive free, Make plowshare out of sword,
To feed the hungry, quench their thirst, Make love and peace our fast,
To serve the poor and homeless first, Our ease and comfort last.**

*POSTLUDE

In Thee Is Gladness

Bach



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



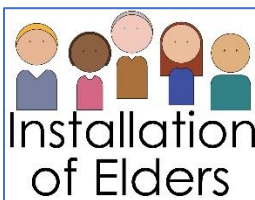
- Go to <https://tinyurl.com/record-FPC-attendance>, or
- Email the office at office@fpctn.org, or
- Sign the pew attendance pad.

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



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** last month. 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.



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.



SAVE THE DATE: Dust off your crockpots and find that favorite recipe for the *Chili Cookoff & Bingo Night* on Saturday, February 10th at 5:00 p.m. Watch for more information in next week's bulletin....



Our last summer sabbatical worship leader, **Jessica Lewis**, will be ordained as Minister of the Word and Sacrament within the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) on Sunday, January 21st at **2pm** 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. (Please note: **TIME HAS BEEN UPDATED** and is now at **2pm** instead of the initial announcement of 3pm!)



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. Sign up in the narthex or online at: <http://tinyurl.com/FPCTriviaNight>.



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

This Week at FPC

Sun, Jan 14			
	9:00 a.m. Casual and 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Services		
	1:30	p.m.	Eagle Court of Honor Ceremony /Sanctuary, FH
	6:00	p.m.	Youth Group/Parlor
Mon, Jan 15	*****	*****	OFFICE CLOSED /Martin Luther King Day
	5:00	p.m.	Church Life Committee/Room A
	7:00	p.m.	Property Committee/Library
Tues, Jan 16	10:30	a.m.	Feed the Homeless/Volunteer Ministry Center Downtown
	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts #444/FH, Room A, Narthex
	7:00	p.m.	Administration Committee/Library
Wed, Jan 17	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
	7:30	p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal/Room A
Thurs, Jan 18	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 19	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

Class	Room	Topic
Adult Bible Study	Room D	This class discusses the Lectionary text from the sermon, and will meet 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 <i>Wrestling with Doubt, Finding Faith</i>
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.



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Church Office Hours:

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