



FARRAGUT  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH



*Mark 7:29-39*

FEBRUARY 4, 2024  
11:00 a.m.

This service is being recorded by video and audio means.

\*We invite you to stand as able.

*5th Sunday after Epiphany*



**~The Gathering~**

PRELUDE

*Prière (Prayer)*

Salomé

Tami Newsom, organ

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GREETING

Rev. Matt Nieman

CALL TO WORSHIP

God gathers us together in this place.

**Let us sing praise to the Lord.**

God heals the brokenhearted and binds up our wounds.

**Let us sing praise to the Lord.**

God lifts the downtrodden and casts out wickedness.

**Let us sing praise to the Lord.**

We sing to God with thanksgiving.

**Let us worship God!**

\*HYMN #483

*Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above*

Mit Freuden Zart

Words: Johann Jacob Schütz, 1675, Trans. Frances Elizabeth Cox, 1864, Music: Bohemian Brethren's *Kirchengesang*, 1566,  
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\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God, you are everlasting, the creator of all that is.  
Your understanding is beyond measure.  
We confess that we have sinned against you and our neighbors.  
Restoring God, teach us to steal away and pray.  
In your compassion, forgive us, for we place our hope in your  
steadfast love.**

*(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

Beth White

**Holy God, speak to us what has been told from the beginning,  
your Word that is the foundation of the world. Amen.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Isaiah 40:28-31

[Pew Bible pg. 668]

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Now praise the Lord, all living saints, sing praises that endure.  
Our children God does surely bless, our future is secure.**

**God brings us peace in midst of strife, our borders to protect.  
All those who trust the Lord for strength need never fear neglect.**

**God's Word runs swiftly o'er the earth, the seasons to command.  
Spring, summer, winter, autumn, all display that wondrous hand.**

**Your life-filled Word brings order to the chaos of our days.  
In love You claim us as Your own; what better cause for praise?**

**Instruction, guidance, holy law, some common names are these  
For God's own rule for living life. What other word can please?**

**No other people are so graced, no nation is so blest,  
As those who know God's living Word and this one name confess.**

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SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Mark 1:29-39

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The Gospel of the Lord.

[Pew Bible pg. 35]

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

"First Things First"

Rev. Matt Nieman

### ~The Response~

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – The Apostles Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.  
Amen.**

## CALL FOR THE OFFERING

# ~The Eucharist~

## THE INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

### THE ANTHEM

### *Come and Feast* Chancel Choir

Lee Dengler

Eat this bread. Drink this wine. Join the table, come and dine.  
There is healing for your soul, so come and feast, and be made whole.  
In this time, you will be blest. Come to Christ, He is your rest.  
There is healing for your soul, so come and feast and be made whole.

Eat this bread. Drink this wine. At this table you will find  
there is life for all who eat, so come and feast, be made complete.  
Lay your cares and burdens here. You are free, no need to fear.  
There is life for all who eat, so come and feast, be made complete.

Eat this bread. Drink this wine. Earthly signs of Love divine.  
We remember what they mean, and so we feast, and are made clean.  
At this table you will find there is more than bread and wine.  
There is food to feed the soul, so come and feast, and be made whole.

## PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*(prayer continues)*



## SANCTUS

Picardy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, heav'n and earth are  
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

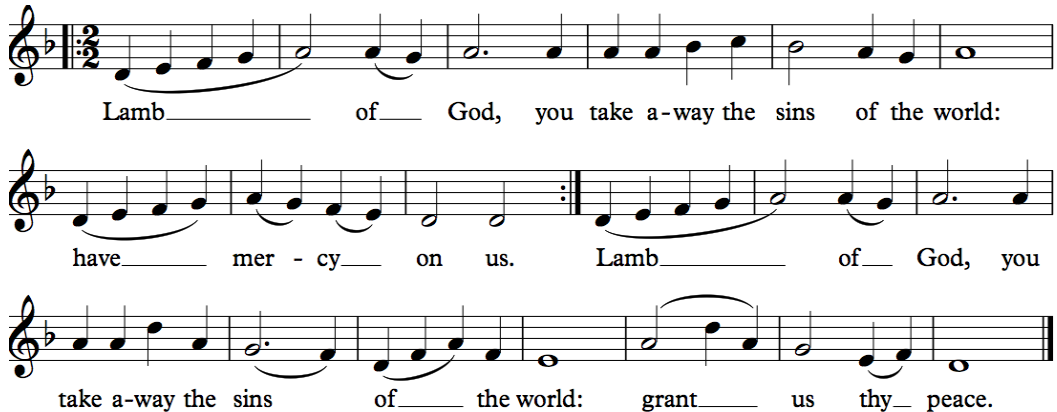
## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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

### AGNUS DEI

Picardy



Lamb \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_ God, you take a-way the sins of the world:  
have \_\_\_\_\_ mer - cy \_\_\_ on us. Lamb \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_ God, you  
take a-way the sins of \_\_\_ the world: grant \_\_\_\_\_ us thy\_ peace.

## THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

## THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

### ~The Sending~

\*HYMN #438

*Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

Dennis

**Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love:  
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.**

**Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers;  
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.**

**We share our mutual woes, our mutual burdens bear,  
And often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.**

**From sorrow, toil, and pain, and sin we shall be free;  
And perfect love and friendship reign through all eternity.**

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\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE #466

*My gracious Master*

Azmon

**My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,  
To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of Thy name.**

\*POSTLUDE

*Marche*

Lasceux

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

FPC Family Ministries will be collecting money for  
the **Souper Bowl of Caring next Sunday**  
which will benefit Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry.

Small bills instead of coins are preferred, but any donation is appreciated! (Our bank no longer accepts loose coin.) *Thank you for your support!*



### **CHILI COOKOFF & BINGO NIGHT!**

Warm up your crockpots and find that favorite recipe for the *Chili Cookoff & Bingo Night* on Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. We have multiple judges to award prizes for the best tasting chili! Of course, there will be prizes for our Bingo winners as well.

Bring that favorite chili, cornbread or other bread item, a salad, or a small dessert for the potluck. Our Church Life committee will provide drinks, chili condiments and prizes. Please register at <http://tinyurl.com/ChiliBingoNightatFPC>, or on the narthex table so we have an idea for set-up and supplies.



**Do you enjoy cooking?** Do you have the time to share the fruit of your efforts with others? If so, please consider volunteering to provide an occasional meal (or part of a meal) with somebody in need within our congregation. For someone coming home after surgery, for someone who is temporarily unable to cook for himself/herself and family due to injury or continued treatment, or for someone grieving the loss of someone dear, a home-cooked meal is a comforting gesture of care and concern our church family can provide. If you're able to contribute to this care-giving ministry, please email Gayle Williams: [gayle.elizabeth.williams@gmail.com](mailto:gayle.elizabeth.williams@gmail.com).



**ATTENTION ALL YOUTH AND KIDS:**

sign up for the **"Surprise Valentine" Gift Exchange** on Sunday, February 11th at 10am in Fellowship Hall. Sign up with Beth Honey at this link: <https://forms.gle/f6h4M45796zETwAB8>

Volunteers are needed to serve lunch to the hungry at **VOLUNTEER MINISTRY CENTER** on Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup>. If you can help in this meaningful ministry, contact February coordinator Gayle Williams, or sign up in the narthex.

Our 2024 Lenten Series will be **"Wandering Heart - Figuring out Faith with Peter"**

from Sanctified Art. The series starts on Ash Wednesday, February 14 at 7pm in the sanctuary and focuses on the life and faith of one of Jesus' most famous disciples. In Peter, we see a person who is both steadfast and unsteady, a dear friend and a betrayer, a follower and a wanderer. By following Peter's journey, we watch the story of Jesus unfold through the eyes of a very normal human trying to figure it all out – just like us. A digital version of the accompanying devotional booklet is available at: <https://online.flippingbook.com/view/1072485778/>. If you would prefer a hard copy, please contact the office and we can print one for you.



**BEREAVED:**

The family and friends of FPC member **Candice (Candy) Blake** who died on Tuesday, January 30<sup>th</sup>. Prayers of peace and comfort for all those who grieve.

**PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY:**

Lois Burris, Denise Damelio, Billie Fain, Chuck Foriska, Frank Guess, Paul Hanson, Bron Lewis, Jimmy and Beth Loyless, Irma McGuffey, Maria Medina, Tami Newsom, Steve Tinder, Helen Weaver

Our prayers are with Kirby and Gloria Purjet who will be moving to Georgia in March. Their new address will be: 539 Hornbeam Drive, Griffin, GA 30223.

Congratulations to **Reverend Jessica Lewis** who was ordained to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament last Sunday. She will serve as the director of Maryville College's Maryville Adventures in Studying Theology (MAST) program. She was thrilled to see 15+ members of FPC at her ordination service. A video of the service can be viewed on Vimeo at the following link: <https://vimeo.com/event/4044077/781457a4df>



### This Week at FPC

| Sun, Feb 04   |       | 9:00 a.m. Casual and 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Services |   |
|---------------|-------|--|---|
| Mon, Feb 05   | 10:00 | a.m.   | Growing Families Small Group/Room A                   |
|               | 6:00  | p.m.   | Youth Group/Parlor                                    |
| Tues, Feb 06  | 10:00 | a.m.   | Chair Yoga/Narthex                                    |
|               | 6:00  | p.m.   | STEM Scouts/Fellowship Hall                           |
| Wed, Feb 07   | 12:00 | p.m.   | Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary                             |
|               | 5:30  | p.m.   | Outreach Committee/Library                            |
|               | 6:30  | p.m.   | Early-Onset Dementia Caregivers/Room A                |
| Thurs, Feb 08 | 7:00  | p.m.   | Boy Scouts #444/FH, Narthex                           |
|               | 12:00 | p.m.   | Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary                             |
|               | 6:00  | p.m.   | Worship & Music Committee/Library                     |
| Fri, Feb 09   | 7:30  | p.m.   | Chancel Choir Rehearsal/Room A                        |
|               | 8:00  | a.m.   | Men's Bible Study/Narthex                             |
|               | 6:30  | p.m.   | Cub Scouts/Fellowship Hall                            |
| Sat, Feb 10   | 7:00  | p.m.   | Thursday Night Bible Study/Zoom                       |
|               | 10:00 | a.m.   | Chair Yoga/Narthex                                    |
|               | 6:30  | p.m.   | Pinewood Derby Weigh-In/Fellowship Hall               |
|               | 7:00  | p.m.   | Gentle Yoga Class/Narthex                             |
|               | 8:30  | a.m.   | <b>Pinewood Derby</b> /Fellowship Hall                |
|               | 10:00 | a.m.   | PET Stated Meeting/Zoom                               |
|               | 5:00  | p.m.   | <b>Chili Cookoff and Bingo Night</b> /Fellowship Hall |



### 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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