



Farragut Presbyterian Church

# Wandering Heart

"Teach me"



5th Sunday of Lent ~ March 17, 2024 ~ 9am

\* indicates standing, if able.

This service is being recorded by video and audio means.



## ~We Gather~

Prelude

*Hopeless Wanderer*  
Musical Ensemble

Mumford & Sons

Songwriters: Edward James Milton Dwane / Winston Aubrey Aladar Marshall / Benjamin Walter David Lovett / Marcus Oliver Johnstone Mumford  
Babel lyrics © Universal Music Publishing Ltd.

Greeting

Rev. Matt Nieman

Call to Worship

Why are you here?

**I am seeking God with my whole heart, with my entire mind,  
with a fire burning in my bones.**

I see it! You're in the right place!

This is God's house. The door is open to you.

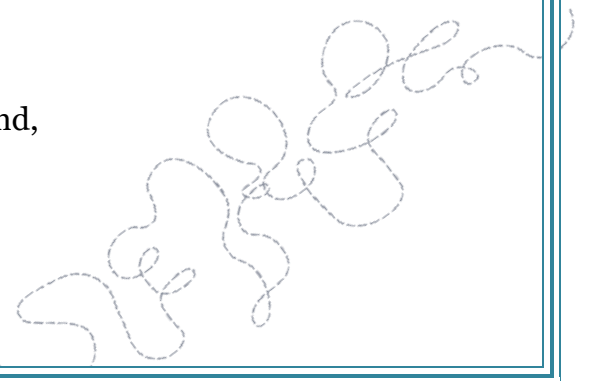
**Why are you here?**

I am seeking God with my whole heart, with my entire mind,  
with a fire burning in my bones.

**We see that in you! You're in the right place.**

**This is God's house. The door is open to you.**

Let us worship God. **Let us learn from the Spirit.**



\* Opening Song

# How Deep The Father's Love For Us

(as published by Capitol CMG Publishing)

Words and Music by  
Stuart Townend

**VERSE**

♩ = 54

D Em D/F# G D/F# D/A A



1. How deep the Fa - ther's love for us, how vast be - yond all meas - ure that  
 (2. Be) hold the Man up - on a cross, my sin up - on His shoul - ders. A -  
 (3. I) will not boast in an - y - thing: No gifts, no pow'r, no wis - dom. But

D Em D/F# G D/F# A D



He should give His on - ly Son to make a wretch His treas - ure. How  
 shamed, I hear my mock - ing voice call out a - mong the scof - fers. It  
 I will boast in Je - sus Christ: His death and res - ur - rec - tion. Why

Em D/F# G D/F# Bm A



great the pain of sear - ing loss. The Fa - ther turns His face a - way as  
 was my sin that held Him there un - til it was ac - com - plished; His  
 should I gain from His re - ward? I can - not give an an - swer. But

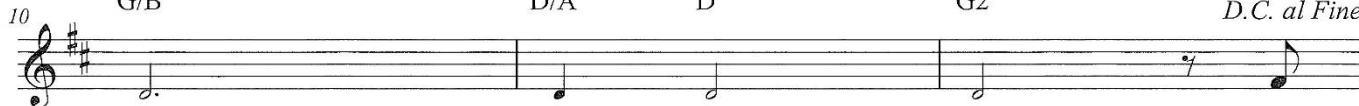
**TURNAROUND**

D Em D/F# G D/F# A D *Fine*



wounds which mar the Cho - sen One bring man - y sons to glo - ry.  
 dy - ing breath has brought me life. I know that it is fin - ished.  
 this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ran - som.

G/B D/A D G2 *D.C. al Fine*



2. Be  
 3. I



# Jesus, Be with Us

*A hymn for Matthew 25 churches in the PC(USA)*

Swing  $\text{♩} = \text{♩}^{\text{3}}$

Eb
Cm
Fm
Bb
Eb
Eb

*Refrain* Je - sus, be with us. Help us each day to fol - low the  
Cm
F7
Bb
Ab
G7

gos-pel and live as we pray. Send us your Spir - it and  
Cm
F7
Fm
Bb
Ebsus
Eb
*fine*

show us your way. Je - sus, be with us to - day.

Cm
Gm
Fm
Eb

*Leader* 1 Where there is hun - ger and thirst in the land,  
*or all* 2 Where there is ha - tred be - cause of our skin,  
 3 Where there are val - leys of bones, dry as dust,

Cm
Fm
Gsus
G7

shat - ter the sys - tems of greed.  
 break down the walls of our fear.  
 build up the bod - y of Christ.

Cm
Gm
Bb
Eb

Je - sus, be with us; make use of our hands.  
 Je - sus, be with us; to save us from sin.  
 Je - sus, be with us; and help us to trust.

F7
F7
Bbsus
Bb7

Lift up your peo - ple in need.  
 In your great love, draw us near.  
 Teach us a new way of life.

\*Prayer of Confession

**Holy God, we long to be lifelong learners.  
We long to approach you with curiosity and an open mind.  
Instead, we often live as if we know best.  
We forget that the disciples called you “Rabbi, Teacher.”  
Forgive us for the times when we fail to be curious.  
Forgive us for the times when we assume we know best.  
Forgive us for the moments when we imagine that our learning is done  
and that we have all the answers.  
Like Peter—who was brave enough to ask,  
“How many times should we forgive?”—make us brave.  
Spark a desire in us to learn, and may our curiosity carry our faith  
into deeper waters.  
With hope and humility we pray.**

*(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

Beth Honey

**Teaching God, we want to learn your ways.  
We want to learn the ways of forgiveness.  
We want to learn the ways of grace.  
We want to learn your ways of love.  
That is part of why we return to your text week after week,  
because we are hungry to be more like you.  
So as we prepare to listen to your good Word,  
calm the noise in our minds.  
Center our spirits to focus on you so that we might learn  
and hear what we have missed in this story before.  
God, we want to learn your ways.  
Meet us here. Speak your truth. Help us listen. Amen.**

Scripture Readings: Psalm 119:9-16  
Matthew 18:15-22

[Pew Bible pg. 566]  
[Pew Bible pg. 20]

Beth Honey  
Rev. Matt Nieman

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sermon

“Teach Me”

Rev. Matt Nieman

## ~We Respond~

### Affirmation of Faith –

We believe that questions are a building block of faith.

**“How many times should I forgive?”**

**“Jesus, where are you going?”**

**“What must I do to inherit eternal life?”**

We believe that humble curiosity can open our eyes.

**“Where does it hurt?”**

**“What do you need?”**

**“How can I help?”**

We believe that God is a teacher.

**“Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.”**

**“Here I am.”**

**“Send me.”**

We believe that faith invites our whole being to engage,

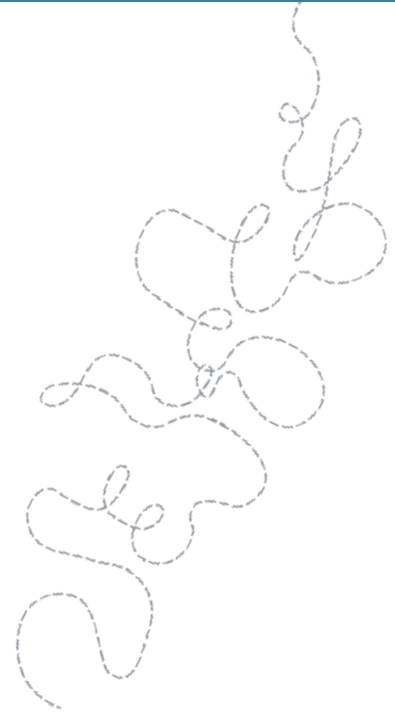
**with all our heart,**

**with all our mind,**

**with all our strength.**

We believe. Help our unbelief.

**In Christ’s name we pray, Amen.**



### Musical Reflection

*Goodness of God*

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

*I’d Like to Teach the World to Sing (In Perfect Harmony)*

The New Seekers

#### Verse 1

I'd like to build the world a home  
And furnish it with love  
Grow apple trees and honey bees  
And snow white turtle doves

#### Verse 2

I'd like to see the world for once  
All standing hand in hand  
And hear them echo through the hills  
For peace throughout the land

#### Chorus

I'd like to teach the world to sing  
In perfect harmony  
I'd like to hold it in my arms  
And keep it company

Source: LyricFind

Songwriters: Roger F. Cook / Roger Greenaway / Roquel Davis / William M Backer  
I'd Like to Teach the World to Sing (In Perfect Harmony) lyrics © Sony/ATV Music Publishing LLC

\*Charge and Benediction

## Special thanks to today's music ensemble:

Sandra Bohlken, piano & vocals ~ Joey Nieman, guitar and vocals ~ Mindy Houlihan, vocals  
Tim Mashue, bass guitar ~ Monica Gardiner, percussion

Please use one of the methods below to record your attendance with us today:



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](mailto:office@fpctn.org), or
- Sign the pew attendance pad.

Our 2024 Lenten Series is

## "Wandering Heart -

## Figuring out faith with Peter"

from Sanctified Art.

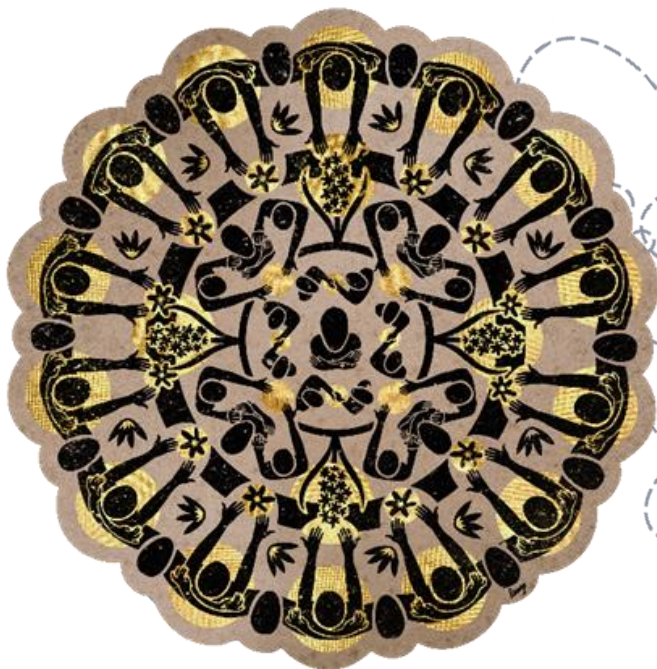
The worship series focuses on the life and faith of one of Jesus' most famous disciples. In Peter, we see a person who is both steadfast and unsteady, a dear friend and a betrayer, a follower and a wanderer. By following Peter's journey, we watch the story of Jesus unfold through the eyes of a very normal 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.



## Wandering Heart:

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT



### Teach Me:

#### Open Book

THE FIFTH SUNDAY  
IN LENT

Peter's posture toward Jesus is that of an open book. He is eager to learn from Jesus all he can glean.

In this week's text, he wants to know all about the nature of forgiveness and grace.

## Seventy-seven Times

by Rev. Lauren Wright Pittman  
Inspired by Matthew 18:15-22

Peter asks how many times he should forgive someone who has wronged him, and Jesus says, "Not seven times, but I tell you, seventy-seven times."

## Teach Me

Teach me about the ways of the wind, about the ways of the world,  
about the ways of the heart.

Teach me about the soft crook of my lover's arm,  
and the way two souls can hold each other close.

Teach me about forgiveness, about the language of I'm sorry  
and the softness of sincerity.

Teach me about abundance, about seventy-times-seven  
and all the days of my life.

Teach me about joy, about its contagious weaving  
and its soul-healing.

Teach me about mercy, about open hands and deep breaths.

Teach me about the dawn of time and the stars in the sky.

Teach me what matters most. Teach me what is mine to do.

Teach this achingly curious heart until I run out of questions or I run out of days.

Teach me some melodious sonnet, and I will have a life well-lived.

~written by: rev. sarah speed | sanctifiedart.org |



Be sure to mark your calendars for these wonderful upcoming concerts here at Farragut Presbyterian Church this spring!

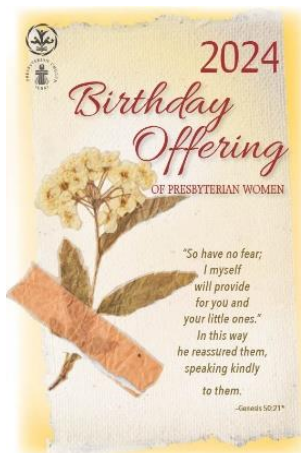
**Sunday, April 07**  
Dr. Linda Stutzenberger,  
harp

**Sunday, May 05**  
UT Contemporary  
Acappella Ensembles



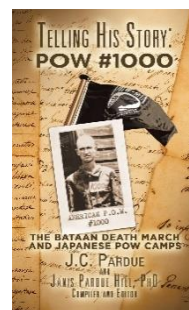
### SPECIAL THANKS

to Gale Montgomery, Feb. coordinator Gayle Williams, Margo Gregory, and Kelly Schueler for volunteering to feed the hungry last month. If you would like to volunteer to prepare/serve a meal to the homeless at Volunteer Ministry Center downtown on Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, contact March coordinator, Linda Scothorn, or sign up in the narthex.



Farragut Presbyterian Church Women will celebrate their **Birthday Offering Gathering** in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, April 6, 2024, at 11:30 a.m. Tickets for the catered lunch are \$15 each and will be available in the narthex following both worship services on March 17, March 24 and March 31.

The guest speaker will be Janis Pardue Hill, PhD, author of the book "Telling His Story, POW #1000", the story of hers and our own Gayle Williams' father's experience as a POW. Please plan on joining them for what promises to be a very interesting program.





Come support our church-sponsored  
**Boy Scout Troop #444**  
 at their annual  
**Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser!**  
 Saturday, March 23  
 between 5pm and 8pm  
 in Fellowship Hall

Admission Ticket is \$10/person and includes:

Spaghetti (meat, vegetarian or gluten-free), Bread, Salad, Drink, and Dessert  
**Join them for Dine In or Carry Out!**

You can pay at the door or call the church office to purchase tickets in advance.

*(Purchasing a dinner is a wonderful way to thank the scouts who will be spreading mulch around the church earlier in the day!)*



So we have enough food and seating for the Palm Sunday Brunch, kindly RSVP at:

<http://tinyurl.com/FPC-PalmSundayBrunch>,

use this QR code, or email the church office.



**PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY:**

Pat Dail, Denise Damelio, Wayne Davis, Billie Fain, Marilyn Felts, Chuck Foriska, Frank Guess, Paul Hanson, Lynn Kszos, Bron Lewis, Jimmy and Beth Loyless, , Irma McGuffey, Jim Meador, Maria Medina, John Montgomery, Tami Newsom, Bill Nelson, Jim Rich, Dee Robinson, Steve Tinder, Helen Weaver

**BEREAVED:**

The family of FPC member Kathryn Robinson

**BLESSINGS:**

Congratulations to Carolyn and Jim Caldwell as they welcome their 9<sup>th</sup> grandchild, *Aaron Blake Lund*, born on 03/11 at 8 lbs. 5 oz. Parents are Bradford and Leslie Lund of Chicago. Dad and baby are doing great, but mom is in isolation after coming down with the flu.

Congratulations to Van and Dixie Heflin who recently celebrated their 68th wedding anniversary!



Jan Darnell is our *Posies for the Pantry* coordinator this year. We are going to need 2 more trucks on Friday morning, April 26<sup>th</sup>, to help pick up plants. We also need volunteers to help with pricing and organization that Friday. On Saturday we will need volunteers to help set up, water plants, help shoppers to their cars, and take down tables and clean up. Please call Jan at 865-356-0057 if you can help.





# Easter Flowers

It has long been our tradition to decorate the sanctuary with flowers during the Easter season. If you would like to help us offset the cost of decorating the church for Easter by making a contribution in honor or memory of a loved one, just fill out this form and include cash or your check made payable to: Farragut Presbyterian Church, with "*Easter Flowers*" designated in the memo line. Place your donation and this form in the basket or drop them off in the church office. **The cost per plant is \$10.00**, however, your gift may be in any amount.

There will be a special insert acknowledging gifts on Easter Sunday.

*I am making a gift towards Easter decorations, to the glory of God and:*

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

In Honor/Memory of \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Donated by:**

\_\_\_\_\_

My donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is attached.

I am paying by:  cash  check # \_\_\_\_\_



**Mobile Meals:**

FPC two-person teams deliver meals every Friday of the month. Additional volunteer teams are needed to serve as subs for the regular delivery teams.

It is estimated that a sub would have to serve only one Friday a month, and not every month.

Contact Irene Rice at 865-675-4804 for any questions or to sign up.

**Rockers:**

This lively over 50's group is in need of a person to take over as leader. Primary responsibility would be arranging for dining out at a local restaurant once a month. Additional activities would be at the discretion of the leader. Contact Irene Rice at 865-675-4804 for any questions or to sign up.



**ATTENTION GOLFERS!**

The 2024 FPC golf season will begin at Avalon Golf Course on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Tee times will start at 4:30 p.m. each Wednesday throughout the year. The cost is \$35/person and includes 9-hole greens fee and cart. This enjoyable group gathers at the club grill afterwards for good food, fun and fellowship. If you are interested in playing, please contact Wayne Walls for more information.



**PALM SUNDAY, March 24**

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

**MAUNDY THURSDAY, March 28**

Worship Service at 7pm in the Sanctuary

**GOOD FRIDAY, March 29**

Good Friday Service at 12 noon along with Prayer Vigil in the Sanctuary or at home  
Sign up at: <https://tinyurl.com/fpcgoodfridayprayervigil>

**EASTER SERVICES, March 31**

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

**EASTER EGG HUNT- SUNDAY, MARCH 31 AT 10AM:**

All are invited to join us for a joyful Easter egg hunt for the children following the 9:00 casual service on Sunday, March 31st. Donations of a dozen filled plastic eggs (treats, prizes, and candy without nuts kindly requested) will be graciously accepted in a container in the narthex in advance of the event.

Families with participating children are encouraged to RSVP at <https://signup.com/go/akNWnJx> or let Mason Warren know at [masonwarren@fpctn.org](mailto:masonwarren@fpctn.org) by March 24th so we have plenty of eggs and bags for everyone.



**This Week at FPCE**

Sun, Mar 17	9:00 a.m. Casual and 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Services		
Mon, Mar 18	10:00	a.m.	Growing Families Small Group/Room A
	6:00	p.m.	Youth Group/Parlor
Tues, Mar 19	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	5:00	p.m.	Church Life Committee/Room A
	6:00	p.m.	STEM Scouts/Fellowship Hall
	7:00	p.m.	Property Committee/Library
Wed, Mar 20	10:30	a.m.	Feed the Hungry/Volunteer Ministry Center
	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
Thurs, Mar 21	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts #444/FH, Narthex, Room A
	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
Fri, Mar 22	7:30	p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal/Room A
	6:30	p.m.	Cub Scouts/Fellowship Hall
Sat, Mar 23	7:00	p.m.	Thursday Night Bible Study/Zoom
	5:00	p.m.	<b>BOY SCOUT SPAGHETTI DINNER/FH</b>



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



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