



FARRAGUT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Ascension of the Lord

Luke 24:44-53

MAY 12 2024
9:00 a.m.



* indicates standing, if able.

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~We Gather~

Prelude

Graves Into Gardens
Musical Ensemble

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Greeting

Rev. Matt Nieman

Call to Worship

Christ's gift of salvation prepares us with strength.

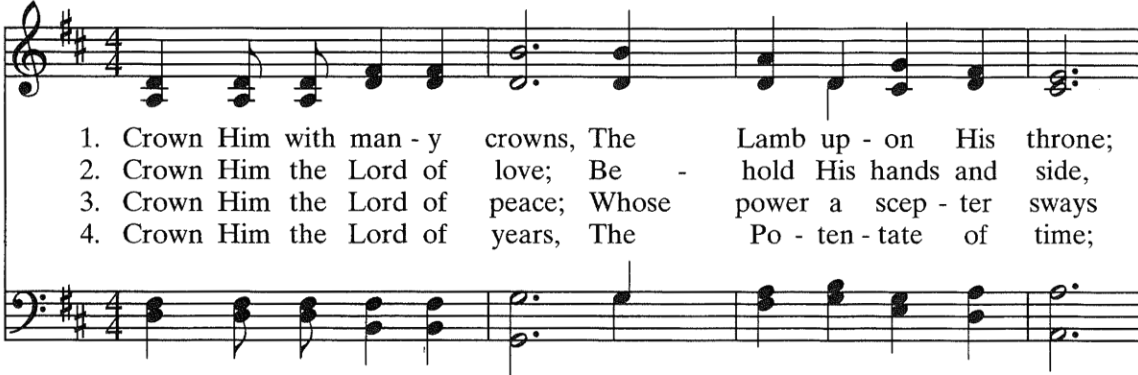
Jesus goes before us and is lifted up, the hope of the world.

Your divine ministry spurs us on to share the good news.

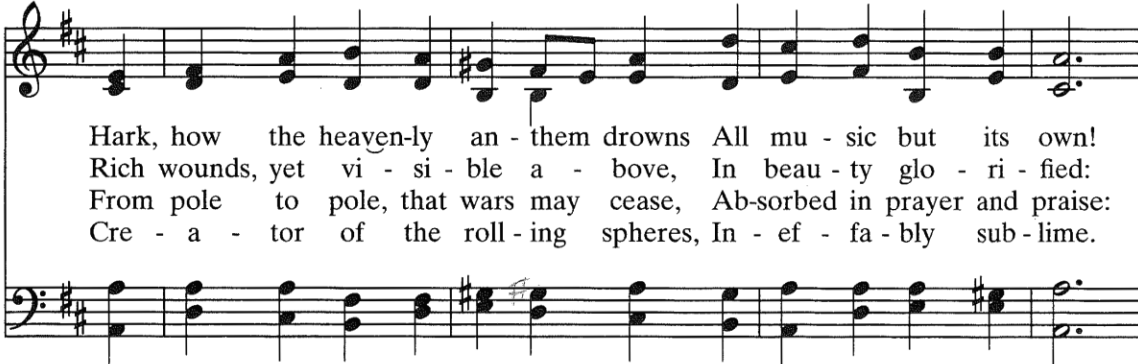
**We wait in anticipation for the comfort of your promises,
always giving thanks.**

Come, let us worship the Lord.

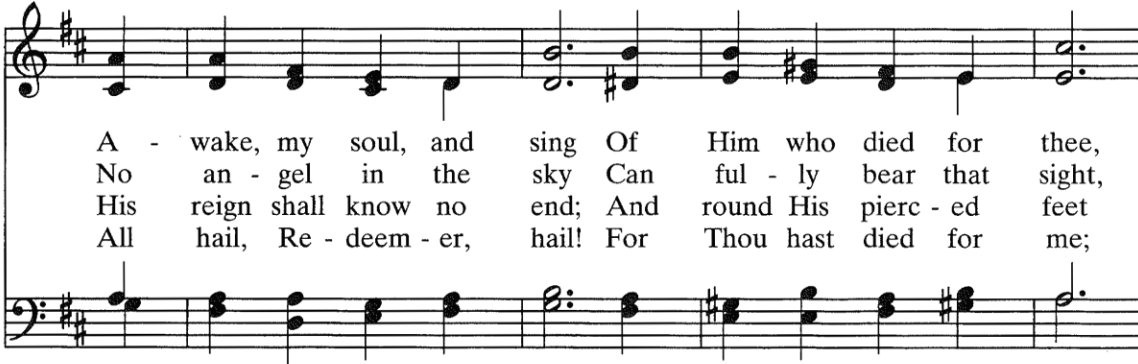




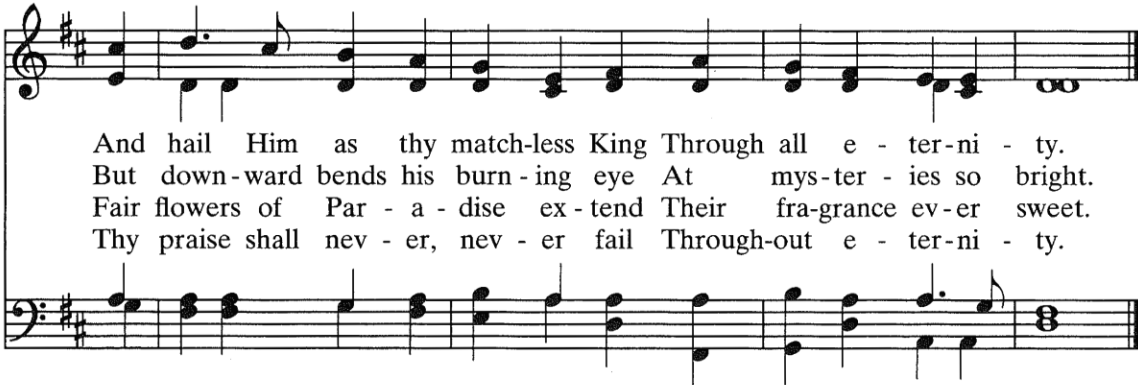
1. Crown Him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on His throne;
 2. Crown Him the Lord of love; Be - hold His hands and side,
 3. Crown Him the Lord of peace; Whose power a scep - ter sways
 4. Crown Him the Lord of years, The Po - ten - tate of time;



Hark, how the heaven-ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own!
 Rich wounds, yet vi - si - ble a - bove, In beau - ty glo - ri - fied:
 From pole to pole, that wars may cease, Ab - sorbed in prayer and praise:
 Cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, In - ef - fa - bly sub - lime.



A - wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee,
 No an - gel in the sky Can ful - ly bear that sight,
 His reign shall know no end; And round His pierc - ed feet
 All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For Thou hast died for me;



And hail Him as thy match-less King Through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 But down - ward bends his burn - ing eye At mys - ter - ies so bright.
 Fair flowers of Par - a - dise ex - tend Their fra - grance ev - er sweet.
 Thy praise shall nev - er, nev - er fail Through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

Goodness of God

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VERSE

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1. I love You, Lord. Oh, Your mer - cy nev - er fails.
 (2. I love Your voice.) You have led me through the fi -

3 G D/F# Em7 C

me. All my days I've been held in Your hands..
 - re. In dark - est night, You are close like no oth -

5 D(4) Em7 C

- er. From the mo - ment that I wake up un - til I lay
 I've known You as a fa - ther, I've known You as

7 G D/F# Em7 C D(4) G

my head, I will sing of the good - ness of God.
 a friend. I have lived in the good - ness of God.

CHORUS

10 C2 G C2

All my life You have been faith - ful. All my life You have been so,

13 G D(4) C2 G D/F# Em7

so good. With ev - ry breath that I am a - ble I will sing.

16 C2 D(4) 1. G 2. G

of the good - ness of God. 2. I love Your voice.

Bridge

Your goodness is running after, It's running after me
 Your goodness is running after, It's running after me
 With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now
 I give You everything
 Your goodness is running after, It's running after me

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*Prayer of Confession

**God, lover of humankind,
You have asked us to proclaim your name to all people.
We confess that we have held back from doing that, shy and self-conscious.
Forgive us, we pray, and empower us in Jesus' name.**

(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

Thomas Houlihan

Enlighten the eyes of our hearts, O God, and grant us a spirit of wisdom and revelation through the reading of this, your Word. Amen.

Scripture Readings: Ephesians 1:15-23
Luke 24:44-53

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Thomas Houlihan
Rev. Matt Nieman

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

Sermon

“Transitions”

Rev. Matt Nieman

~We Respond~

Affirmation of Faith – (adapted from *Belonging to God: A First Catechism*)

We are the church: the people who believe the good news about Jesus, who are baptized, and who share in the Lord's Supper. Through these means of grace, the Spirit renews us so that we may serve God in love. We believe the good news that gives us comfort that we belong to our faithful Savior Jesus Christ, who died and rose again for our sake, so that nothing will ever separate us from God's love. We know this good news through reading the Bible and hearing it taught and preached. The Holy Spirit inspired those who wrote the Bible and helps us rely on its promises today.

Musical Reflection

The Lion and the Lamb
Musical Ensemble

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Call for Giving

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

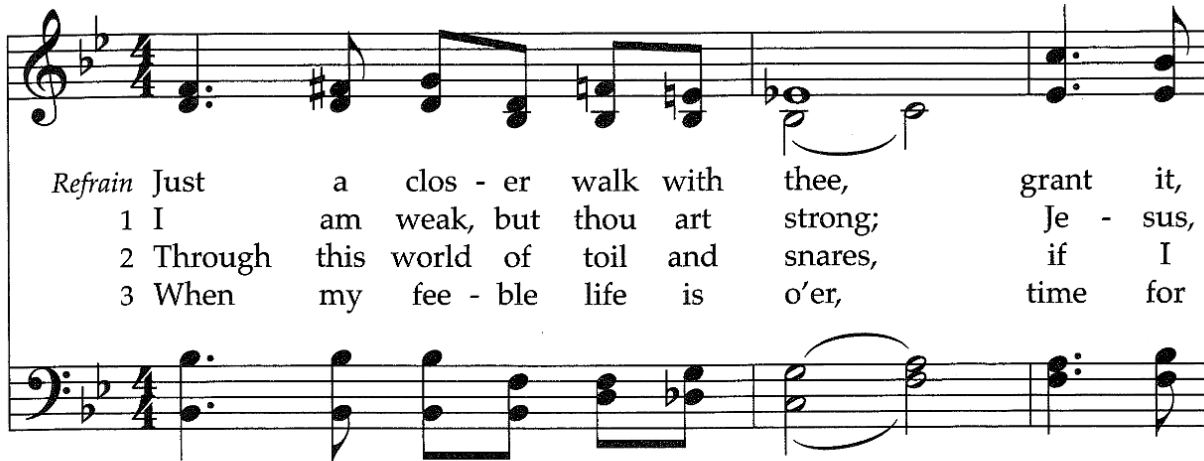
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

~We Go Out Into the World~

*Closing Song

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

North American hymn



Refrain Just a clos - er walk with thee, grant it,
1 I am weak, but thou art strong; Je - sus,
2 Through this world of toil and snares, if I
3 When my fee - ble life is o'er, time for



Je - sus, is my plea, dai - ly walk - ing close to
keep me from all wrong; I'll be sat - is - fied as
fal - ter, Lord, who cares? Who with me my bur - den
me will be no more; guide me gent - ly, safe - ly



thee: let it be, dear Lord, let it be.
long as I walk, let me walk close to thee. Ref.
shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee. Ref.
o'er to thy shore, dear Lord, to thy shore. Ref.

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*Charge and Benediction



Today's music ensemble:

Sandra Bohlken, guitar & vocals ~ Mindy Houlihan, vocals ~ Kevin Zetina, percussion

Reader ~ Thomas Houlihan

Audio ~ Ken Ladrach

Video ~ David Long & Parker Morrell

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, or
- Sign the pew attendance pad.



*"Her children rise up
and call her blessed; her husband also,
and he praises her:
"Many women have done excellently,
but you surpass them all."
– Proverbs 31:28-31*

CRAFT SUPPLY DONATIONS are welcome for another trip on **May 16th** to the CAM Craft Cabin. Any sewing supplies, fabric, yarn, costume jewelry, batting, denim, trim, thread, buttons, and even used light bulbs (to make snowmen!) are appreciated. Look for the collection box in the narthex, and contact Mikie Lancaster or Debbie Long if you would like to ride along! Elvira's Café brunch anyone?



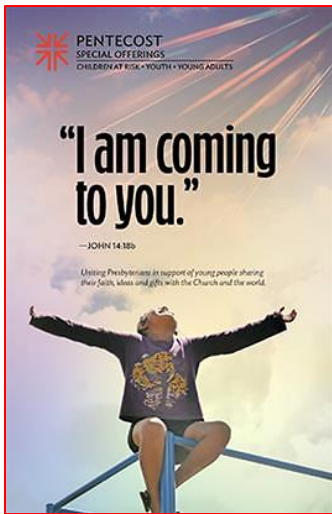
SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS

Hello Friends! Farragut Presbyterian Church is looking for volunteers to assist in our worship services. If you can help in any of the submitted categories: usher, scripture reader, or communion server, please go to: <http://tinyurl.com/FPCvolunteerSignUp> and sign up in the appropriate available time slot. If you have any questions, please contact Mikie Lancaster, Ken Ladrach, or the church office (865/966-9547). Thank you for your help!



Sign up to be a **PRAYER PARTNER!**

FPC Family Ministry would like all church members to consider volunteering to be a Prayer Partner to a FPC child. Each partner will be assigned a young child to pray for during the 2024-2025 school year. You can sign up on the narthex table, or contact Mason Warren at masonwarren@fpctn.org for more information.



The 2024 Pentecost Special Offering will be collected next Sunday, May 19th. The Pentecost Offering is one of four annual special offerings and it helps our youth begin life with a strong start in the years from childhood through young adulthood that will last a lifetime. Forty (40%) percent of our collection will stay with our congregation to support ministries with children, youth and young adults. This year the local portion of the Pentecost Offering will support “Come to the Water,” a local Knoxville non-profit that sends needy kids in our area to summer church camp. 25% of the total offering supports young adult volunteers serving in communities around the world, and growing as leaders through transformative Christian service. Another 25% supports ministries with youth, including the Presbyterian Youth Triennium. Finally, 10% is devoted to children-at-risk and supports to improve education and provide safe havens.

Won't you join us? Please give generously...for if we all do a little, it adds up to a lot! You can give through the church by using one of the designated pew envelopes, or go to <http://tinyurl.com/FPCe-giving> to donate online.

You can also donate online directly to the PCUSA at pcusa.org/give/Pentecost. Thank you for supporting this worthy cause.

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR CHURCH LIFE COMMITTEE FOR ALL OF THE PLANNING, DECORATING, SERVING AND CLEANUP FOR THE CINCO DE MAYO CELEBRATION LAST WEEK!



TENNESSEE SMOKIES
BASEBALL GAME
June 23rd at 2:00 pm
 vs. the
 Mississippi Braves

SUNDAY BALLGAME!

Join us for a fun afternoon of baseball on Sunday, June 23rd at Smokies Stadium in Kodak. We have limited seats set aside, so get your reservation in soon. You can turn this form in to the office, email the office at office@fpcn.org, or call the office at 865/966-9547 to reserve your seats.

Non-refundable tickets are \$13 each –Seats will be in section 114 on the third base side! Parking is free.

The stadium is cash free, so refreshments and souvenirs must be paid for by credit/debit card.

We will be attending this game with members of Faith Lutheran Church, and we will all get to hear our own Casual Music Leader **Sandra Bohlken** sing the opening national anthem and the 7th inning *God Bless America!*



Please complete the RSVP and **include your check** made out to FPC for the amount of your tickets with ‘Smokies BB’ in the memo line. *(We must have payment by **June 5th** to reserve tickets.)* Tickets will be held at the stadium Will Call window.

_____ I/We will attend the game!

Name

_____ Number of tickets

\$ _____ Payment amount included



Please fill out the baseball form and turn it into the office **by June 5th** with your payment attached. Printed forms are available on the narthex table. If you have questions, please contact Leigh Ann Neely, or the church office.



Nathan Burris, Pat Dail, Denise Damelio, Wayne Davis, Kathy Emmerson, Billie Fain, Chuck Foriska, Frank Guess, Paul Hanson, Mike Houlihan, Beth Loyless, Ann McAnally, Irma McGuffey, Maria Medina, Tami Newsom, Kathy Ransdell, Jim Rich, Dee Robinson, Steve Tinder, Helen Weaver

This Week at FPC

Sun, May 12	9:00 a.m. Casual and 11:00 am Traditional Worship Services		
Mon, May 13	9:00	a.m.	KidZone/Fellowship Hall
	6:00	p.m.	Youth Group/Parlor
	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	4:00	p.m.	Stephen Ministry Support Group/Room A
Tues, May 14	6:00	p.m.	STEM Scouts/Fellowship Hall
	7:00	p.m.	Christian Education Committee/Zoom
	10:00	a.m.	PET Stated Meeting/New Providence Church
	10:00	a.m.	PW Circle #1/Room A
Wed, May 15	10:00	a.m.	PW Circle #2/Library
	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
	4:00	p.m.	Board of Pension Meeting/Room A
	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts #444/FH, Room A, Narthex
Thurs, May 16	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
	6:00	p.m.	TVP Rehearsal/FH, Rm A, Narthex, Sanctuary
	7:30	p.m.	Chancel Choir/Room A
Fri, May 17	6:30	p.m.	Cub Scouts/Fellowship Hall
	7:00	p.m.	Thursday Night Bible Study/Zoom
Sat, May 18	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	2:00	p.m.	TVP Rehearsal/FH, Rm A, Narthex, Sanctuary



Sunday School Classes today at 10:00 a.m.

Adult Bible Study Class meets in Room D
 Pastor Matt's Class meets in the Library
 Youth meet in the Youth/Viewing room



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Church Office Hours:

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



*"To praise God, welcome all, serve others,
 grow in faith, be disciples of Jesus Christ and share the Good News."*

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