



FARRAGUT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Ephesians 1:3-14

JULY 14, 2024
11:00 a.m.



This service is being recorded by video and audio means.

*We invite you to stand as able.

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

~The Gathering~



PRELUDE

The Heavens Declare the Glory of God
Dr. Linda Stutzenberger, organ

Marcello

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GREETING

Rev. Matt Nieman

CALL TO WORSHIP

God has accomplished all things through Christ,
so we might live as God's own children.
Let us give thanks to God
and live for the praise of God's glory.
Come, let us worship God with gladness.

*HYMN #280

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

Amazing Grace

Text: John Newton, 1779 and A Collection of Sacred Ballads, 1790. Music: Virginia Harmony, 1831, arr. Edwin O. Excell, 1900.
The Presbyterian Hymnal: Hymns, Psalms, and Spiritual Songs © 1990 Westminster/John Knox Press. Public domain.

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

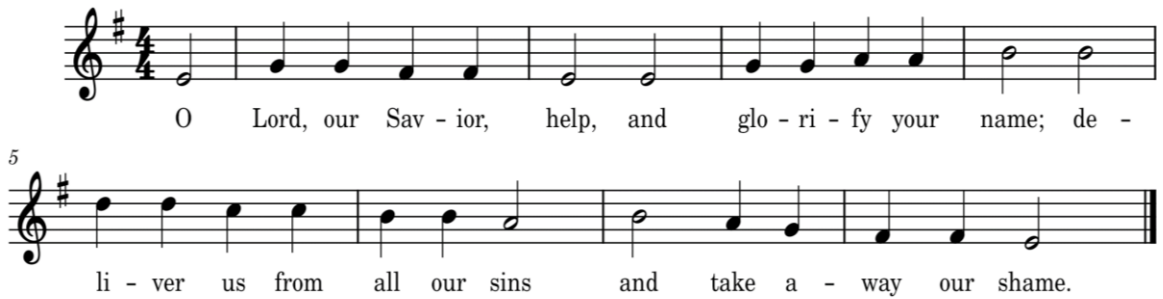
Holy God, you call us to be your beloved children and to care for one another, yet we fail to love others and ourselves. Helpless and ashamed, we turn our hearts to you.

Forgive us, and then tenderly teach us to stand strong and courageous in the fullness of your love, by the grace and mercy of Christ.

(please continue in silent prayer)

*KYRIE ELEISON

Remember Not, O God



O Lord, our Sav - ior, help, and glo - ri - fy your name; de -

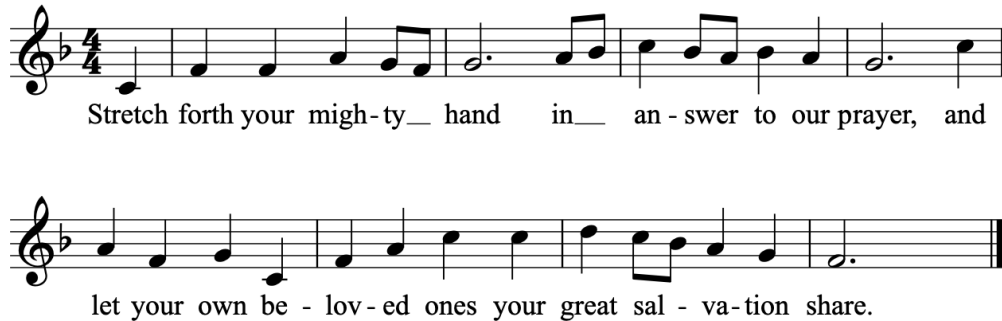
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li - ver us from all our sins and take a - way our shame.

The musical notation is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two staves. The first staff contains the first line of lyrics, and the second staff contains the second line. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a mix of quarter and half notes.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*GLORIA PATRI

St. Thomas



Stretch forth your migh-ty__ hand in__ an - swer to our prayer, and

let your own be - lov - ed ones your great sal - va - tion share.

The musical notation is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two staves. The first staff contains the first line of lyrics, and the second staff contains the second line. The melody is more complex than the Kyrie Eleison, featuring eighth and sixteenth notes.

*THE PEACE

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

~The Word~

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Martha Edington

Spirit of the living God, seal in us your Word of truth, the gospel of salvation, so we can faithfully follow and joyfully serve our Lord Jesus Christ, for it is in his name that we pray. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: 2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19

[Pew Bible pg. 280]

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 24 (unison, Tune: Morecambe)

Morgan

**Lord, all creation with Your name resounds,
And all who dwell within earth's ample bounds;
Ever above the seas have mountains stood,
Planted by Your design upon the flood.**

**Who shall to Zion's sacred heights ascend?
Within God's house, whom shall the Lord defend?
The true, the meek, the righteous and the pure
Shall in God's courts of blessing long endure.**

**Lift high your heads, O gates, before the Lord!
Unfold to greet our God with one accord!
Break free the bonds that bind you to your walls!
Welcome the mighty God, the Lord of all!**

**Lift up your heads, O ancient doors, and give
Passage unbarred to God, in whom we live;
Who is this God, who merits such delight?
The Lord Almighty, crowned in glory bright!**

From The Psalter for Christian Worship

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Ephesians 1:3-14

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The Word of the Lord.

[Pew Bible pg. 192]

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Inheritance”

Rev. Matt Nieman



~The Response~

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH –based upon Ephesians 1:3-14

In Christ, we have obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. That inheritance includes every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love.

HYMN #298

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

Babilone

Text: Frederick William Faber, 1854; alt. Music: Dutch melody. Arr. Julius Röntgen (1855-1933)
From *The Presbyterian Hymnal* © 1990 Westminster/John Knox Press, Louisville, KY

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 #341


Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!

Assurance

Text: Fanny Jane Crosby, 1873. Music: Phoebe Palmer Knapp, 1873.
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*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE



Walk with me, I will walk with you and build the land that
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God has planned where love shines through.

Reader ~ Martha Edington

Usher ~ Mikie Lancaster

Audio ~ Ken Ladrach / *Video* ~ Mason Warren, Turner Neely

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.

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).

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. We need 8 more partners for our kids!



Special thanks to June meal coordinators Wayne & MaryAnne Walls, along with volunteers David & Megan Figel, and Gayle Williams for preparing and serving a meal to the homeless at **VOLUNTEER MINISTRY CENTER** on June 18th. Our FPC Youth will be serving in July. Farragut Presbyterian Church has been preparing lunch for the hungry in the VMC Resource Center for over 25 years. VMC is grateful to all of our volunteer meal groups who cook and serve delicious meals for area neighbors working to achieve housing. Contact Jean Peretz for more information.



SUNSET GAP BACK-TO-SCHOOL sign-up list is now available both in the narthex and on-line to purchase needed school supplies for low income families in the Appalachian area.

We are sponsoring 26 children this year who attend Cosby Elementary school. Select a tag, sign your name and contact information on the sign-up. Be sure to note which tag you have taken. **Items are due back by July 28.** Sign up in the narthex, or online at:

<https://tinyurl.com/SGback2school> or use your phone's camera and the

QR code here to sign up online as well. Be sure to write the tag number on the donated items when you return them, so we know which child you bought for. Contact Debbie Long with your questions.



The FPC Presbyterian Women are also collecting school supplies that will be distributed to **SPECIAL AREA TEACHERS** in Cocke and Sevier Counties. These include art, music, physical education, and special education teachers. **Items most needed include:** tissues, pencils, crayons, colored pencils, glue sticks, scissors, printed paper, ziplock bags, hand sanitizer, markers, construction paper, bottled glue, skin-toned crayons, and sketchbooks. You can place your donations in the designated basket in the narthex. If you have any questions about Sunset Gap, please contact Debbie Long.



SAVE THE DATE! Our Annual **SUMMER FAIR** will be on Sunday, August 4th. It will follow a single worship service at 10am. Mark it on your calendar and watch for more information in upcoming bulletins and Constant Contact messages.



PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY:

Pat Dail, Denise Damelio,
Wayne Davis, Carolyn DeGroot,
Billie Fain, Chuck Foriska,
Frank Guess, Paul Hanson,
Beth Loyless, Ann McAnally,
Irma McGuffey, Maria Medina,
Tami Newsom, Kimberly Platt,
Jim Rich, Dee Robinson, Gail Wallace,
Helen Weaver, Buddy Wert,
Linda Wert, June Zachary

This Week at FPC

Sun, Jul 14	9:00 a.m. Casual and 11:00 am Traditional Worship Services		
Mon, Jul 15	9:00	a.m.	Kidzone Summer Program/Room A
	6:30	p.m.	Village Green HOA/Library
Tues, Jul 16	*****	*****	Small & Mighty Youth/ River Rat Tubing in Townsend
	500	p.m.	Church Life Committee/Library
Tues, Jul 16	10:30	a.m.	Youth Feed the Hungry/Volunteer Ministry Center
	6:00	p.m.	Administration Committee/Library
	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts #444/FH, Narthex

Sunday School ~ 10:00 a.m.



- **Adult Bible Study** will meet in Room D and discuss the weekly Lectionary text. Everyone is welcome. Contact Elizabeth Wilson with questions.
- Our summer pastoral intern, Mary Overstreet, is leading a class discussing the book **“Searching for Sunday”** by Rachel Held Evans. All are welcome to join in the discussion in the library.
- **FPC Youth class** is currently on summer break.



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<http://tinyurl.com/FPCe-giving>

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



*Praise be to the
God and Father
of our Lord
Jesus Christ,*

*who has blessed us
in the heavenly
realms with every
spiritual blessing
in Christ.*

~Ephesians 1:3