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Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

~The Gathering~

PRELUDE

Prelude on 'Down Ampney'
Tami Newsom, organ

Blackwell

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GREETING

Rev. Matt Nieman

CALL TO WORSHIP

Look at the heavens!

They are shouting the glory of God.

The days and the nights declare the magnificence of God's creative works.

Their voice goes through all the earth and their words reach the ends of the world.

Let our words of praise be acceptable to you.

Our Lord, our rock, our redeemer!

*HYMN #371

Lift High the Cross

Crucifer

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*CALL TO CONFESSION

*Prayer of Confession

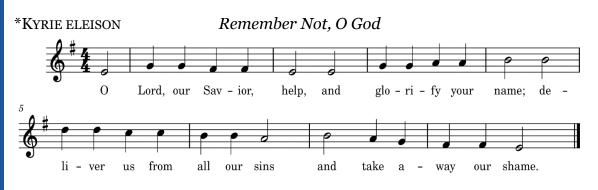
You have called us, O God, and we have refused to listen; you have stretched out your hand and we have not taken it. We have taken what you have given us and used those gifts to hurt others and defy you.

We have refused to be tamed by your wisdom.

Forgive our inability to recognize you and live out the reality of your gospel. Give us the insight we need to understand your place in our lives so that our words and actions reflect the glory of God in the lives of others.

In the name of the Messiah we pray.

(please continue in silent prayer)



*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS



*THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

~The Word~

ANTHEM

Rejoice Greatly FPC Ringers

Susan E. Geschke

LisaKay Matchen

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable to you, O Lord. Be our Rock and our Redeemer. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: James 3:5b-10

[Pew Bible pg. 230]

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



Heav - en and earth tell your glo - ry, al - might - y God.

The heavens proclaim your glory, O God, and the firmament shows forth the work of your hands.

Day unto day takes up the story and night unto night makes known the message. No speech, no word, no voice is heard yet their span extends through all the earth, their words to the utmost bounds of the world. (R)

There you have placed a tent for the sun; it comes forth like a bridegroom coming from his tent, rejoices like a champion to run its course. At the end of the sky is the rising of the sun; to the furthest end of the sky is its course.

There is nothing concealed from its burning heat. (R)

From The Psalter ~ Psalms & Canticles for Singing

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Mark 8:27-38

[Pew Bible pg. 43]

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON "Who Do We Say He Is?"

Rev. Matt Nieman

~The Response~

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - from Confession of 1967

We believe that Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the Church's mission. His life as one of us involves the Church in the common life of humanity. His service commits the Church to work for every form of human welfare. His suffering makes the Church sensitive to all suffering so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of the poor, sick and oppressed. His crucifixion discloses to the Church God's judgement on our inhumanity and the awful consequences of our own complicity in injustice. The Church follows this pattern in its life and in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord.

ANTHEM

How Can I Keep From Singing Chancel Choir

Quaker Song

My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentations. I hear the real, though far off song that hails a new creation. Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear the music ringing. It sounds an echo in my soul; How can I keep from singing? While though the tempest loudly roars, I hear the truth, it liveth. And though the darkness round me close, songs in the night it giveth. No storm can shake my inmost calm, while to that rock I'm clinging. Since love is lord of heav'n and earth, How can I keep from singing?

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 #442

The Church's One Foundation

Aurelia

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*BENEDICTION

*Congregational Response #335 Come, Spirit, Come

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.

*Postlude

Toccata in Seven

Rutter

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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).





Please join Presbyterian Women to help stock <u>SUNSET GAP</u> <u>FOOD PANTRY</u>. They are serving 548-588 families each month. Items most needed include: flour, sugar, cornmeal mix, cooking oil, peanut butter, pasta and canned pasta sauce, canned meat, rice, mac & cheese, breakfast items, Ramen noodles and crackers. We will be collecting now through Oct. 13. Questions? Contact Debbie Long.

Special thanks to our amazing volunteers: August coordinators Joyce & Kent Williams, Gayle Williams, Sharon Koch, and Jeanie Oakley for purchasing, preparing and serving a meal to the homeless at **VOLUNTEER MINISTRY CENTER** last month. If you would like to volunteer for this rewarding ministry, please sign up in the narthex, or contact Sept. 17th coordinators: Karen Brown & Chuck Gonzalez.



The **SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY** is getting ready for the holidays! Holiday food baskets will be distributed to pantry guests in November and December. Last year over 630 families received special holiday baskets, including many families from local schools that were especially invited to receive the holiday baskets.

The holiday baskets typically include a ham or turkey, canned vegetables, stuffing mix, cooking oil, eggs, coffee or tea, and dessert mix.

Farragut Presbyterian will again collect cake mixes and canned frosting (any flavors) and/or brownie mixes for these gift baskets.

As you shop in the next couple of months, please consider adding these dessert items to your list and drop them off in the cart in the

narthex. What a blessing it is to be able to make the holidays more enjoyable for our neighbors! Contact Becky Thomason with any questions.





SAVE THE DATES! Our church-sponsored Cub Scouts will be selling popcorn on September 22nd and September 29th before and after each worship service. The annual **SCOUT POPCORN SALE** is a fundraiser that provides troops with the funding they need to deliver an amazing Scouting Program! Watch for the popcorn table coming soon and help support our Cub Scouts! For more information contact Brett & Amy Eiffert, Mindy Houlihan or Beth Honey.



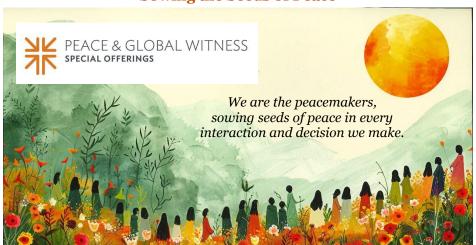




PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY:

Billie Fain, Chuck Foriska, Frank Guess,
Paul Hanson, John Huntley,
Paul Johnson, Beth Loyless,
Nathan Mathis, Ann McAnally,
Irma McGuffey, Maria Medina,
Tami Newsom, Jeanie Oakley,
Kimberly Platt, Linda Stutzenberger,
Gail Wallace

COMING OCTOBER 6th"Sowing the Seeds of Peace"



ONE WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10am FOLLOWED BY TAILGATE PARTY! SAVE THE DATE!

This Week at FPC

Sun Sept 15	9:00 a.m. Casual and 11:00 am Traditional Worship Services		
	9:00	a.m.	KidZone/Fellowship Hall
	3:00	p.m.	Small & Mighty Youth Fiesta Night/Maryville College
Mon, Sept 16	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
Tues, Sept 17	10:30	a.m.	Feed the Hungry/Volunteer Ministry Center
	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts #444/FH, Narthex, Room A
Wed, Sept 18	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
	6:00	p.m.	Casual Worship Music Practice/Room A
	7:30	p.m.	Chancel Choir/Room A
Thur, Sept 19	6:30	p.m.	Cub Scout #444/Fellowship Hall
Fri, Sept 20	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
Sat, Sept 21	9:00	a.m.	FPC Chancel Choir Retreat/Rm A, N, Sanctuary, FH

Sunday School

- <u>KidZone</u> is for children ages 3-9 who meet in Fellowship Hall during the 9am casual service to learn about the love of God through Bible verses, songs, videos and fun activities.
- <u>Adult Bible Study</u> meets in Room D at 10am to discuss the weekly Lectionary text. (In nice weather, we may meet outside in the shade!) Everyone is welcome. Contact Elizabeth Wilson with questions.
- Pastor Matt's Class begins a new study this week: "The After Party." It's a study that examines a growing movement that believes how we engage in politics how we show up for the conversation, if you will should be anchored in the clear teaching of Jesus. It's more about "the how" than "the what" how we interact with each other more than what the "what" is. Join us in the library at 10:00.
- FPC Youth Class meets at 10am in the Café (parlor) each week during the school year to "Dive In" to the Old Testament. Contact Mason Warren for more information.



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