



FARRAGUT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 30, 2025
9:00 a.m.

At the Table, but where?

Luke 14:7-14

This service is being recorded by video and audio means.
*We invite you to stand as able.

~We Gather~

Prelude

For Everyone Born
Music Ensemble

Glory to God Hymnal Text by Shirley Erena Murray, 1998, Music by Brian Mann, 2006

Call To Worship

Happy are those who are honest with God.
Happy are those whose sin is forgiven.

Therefore, let all who are faithful offer prayer to the Lord in times of distress.
For God is our refuge and protects us in times of trouble.

Be glad in the Lord and rejoice!
Let us shout for joy! Let us worship God!



*Opening Song

Amazing Grace/Peaceful Easy Feeling

1. Amazing Grace! How sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see. *(Chorus)*

2. The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures. *(Chorus)*

CHORUS

‘Cause I got a peaceful, easy feelin’
I know He won’t let me down.
‘Cause I’m al – ready standin’
On solid ground.

3. When we’ve been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun;
We’ve no less days to sing God’s praise,
Than when we first begun. *(Chorus)*

*Prayer of Confession

Rev. Matt Nieman

Merciful God, we confess that we have strayed from your ways. Like the Prodigal Son, we have wasted our inheritance. You gave us the earth for our home, but we squander earth’s resources and hoard its bounty. You gave us neighbors to love, but we pursue selfish ambitions. You gave us the commandments that lead to human flourishing, but we break your law and forsake your love. Forgive us our sin and bring us to repentance. Draw our wandering hearts back to you that we may find freedom in obedience to your love.

(please continue in silent prayer)

*Declaration of Forgiveness

*The Peace

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



~We Proclaim~

A Moment with the Children

Mason Warren

Prayer for Illumination

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit open our minds and bodies to the re-creating power of your Word, that we may see the world through the mind of Christ and live in the world as a foretaste of your new creation. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

Scripture Readings: Joshua 5:9-12
Luke 14:7-14

[Pew Bible pg. 197]
[Pew Bible pg. 77]

Sermon

“At the Table, But Where?”

Rev. Matt Nieman

~We Respond~

Affirmation of Faith (adapted from *A Brief Statement of Faith*)

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Musical Reflection

At This Table
Music Ensemble

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Call for Giving



You can use the QR code to give online or place your offering in the baskets located at the Sanctuary doors. Thank you for your gifts.

~We Remember~

The Invitation to the Lord's Table

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 Communion of the People

Communion Song

Humble King
Music Ensemble

Verse

Oh kneel me down again
Here at Your feet
Show me how much You love
Humility
Oh Spirit be the star
That leads me to
The humble heart of love
I see in You

Chorus

You are the God of the broken
The friend of the weak
You wash the feet of the weary
Embrace the ones in need
I want to be like You Jesus
To have this heart in me
You are the God of the humble
You are the humble King

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The Prayer after Communion

~We Go Out Into the World~

*Closing Song
Verses 1-3

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For Everyone Born

For Everyone Born



1 For ev - ery - one born, a place at the ta - ble,
2 For wom - an and man, a place at the ta - ble,
3 For young and for old, a place at the ta - ble,
4 For just and un - just, a place at the ta - ble,
5 For ev - ery - one born, a place at the ta - ble,



for ev - ery - one born, clean wa - ter and bread,
re - vis - ing the roles, de - cid - ing the share,
a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
a - bus - er, a - bused, with need to for - give,
to live with - out fear, and sim - ply to be,



a shel - ter, a space, a safe place for grow - ing,
with wis - dom and grace, di - vid - ing the pow - er,
the hands of a child in hands that are wrin - kled,
in an - ger, in hurt, a mind - set of mer - cy,
to work, to speak out, to wit - ness and wor - ship,



for ev - ery - one born, a star o - ver - head,
for wom - an and man, a sys - tem that's fair,
for young and for old, the right to be - long,
for just and un - just, a new way to live,
for ev - ery - one born, the right to be free,

Refrain



and God will de-light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice and



joy, com - pas - sion and peace: yes,



God will de-light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice,



jus-tice and joy!



*Charge and Benediction

Today's music ensemble:

Sandra Bohlken, piano & vocals ~ Joey Nieman, guitar & vocals
Mindy Houlihan and Shannon Needham, vocals
Charles Needham, bass guitar ~ Lloyd Hartley, percussion

A/V Team ~ Ken Ladrach, David Long, Mason Warren, Parker Morrell, Turner Neely, & Kat Wilson

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.

Announcements

Donations



FPC Family Ministries is gearing up for our annual Easter Egg Hunt occurring on Sunday, April 20th, but we need YOUR help!

We would greatly appreciate donations of a dozen filled plastic eggs (treats, prizes, and candy without nuts kindly requested)! These donations can be dropped off with Director of Family Ministries, Mason Warren at any time between now and Sunday, April 13th.

Please help us make this event a memorable one for our FPC Kids!

Please contact Mason Warren for more details or with any questions!

TIME TO CLEAN OUT THE GARDEN SHED & DONATE UNUSED ITEMS TO THE

Possies for the Pantry
BARGAIN SHED

Drop off **gently-used** items to the church rear parking lot picnic tables between March 9th - April 6th
contact Joyce or Kent Williams for more information
(all proceeds benefit Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry)



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING
SPECIAL OFFERINGS
HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT

This PC(USA) Special Offering will be collected on Easter Sunday to support outreach programs in over 100 countries.

Each gift to ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING helps improve the lives of the suffering and the vulnerable through three life-saving programs: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People.

To learn more about how your gift makes a difference, Visit pcusa.org/oghs.

ATTENTION GOLFERS!

The 2025 FPC golf season will begin at Avalon Golf Course on April 2nd. Tee times will start at 4:30 p.m. each Wednesday throughout the year. The cost is \$40/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 at 865-207-7114, for more information.



Come support our church-sponsored **Boy Scout Troop #444** at their annual **Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser!**

Saturday, April 12
between 5pm and 8pm
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.

Fellowship & Events

Shop for flowers, plants, crafts, garden decor & more



Posies for the Pantry

fundraiser proceeds benefit:

Farragut Presbyterian Church
209 Jamestowne Blvd. - Farragut
APRIL 12th-9am to 1pm

Community churches supporting the pantry:
Faith Lutheran - Concord Methodist - Farragut Presbyterian
First Baptist Concord - Grassy Valley Baptist

If you would like to volunteer to help with Posies for the Pantry please contact Sharon Koch.

*Matt Nieman
& Laura Hash*

joyfully invite you
to celebrate their wedding
on May 31, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.
at RiverView Family Farm
12130 Prater Lane
Knoxville, TN 37922

Reception & Dinner to follow

Due to limitations on space at the venue

please RSVP
no later than April 20th

online at:

<https://tinyurl.com/NiemanWeddingRSUP>





So we have enough food and seating for the Palm Sunday Brunch, kindly RSVP at: <http://tinyurl.com/FPC-PalmSundayBrunch>, use the QR code, or email the church office.



Growing in Our Faith

Please join us



PALM SUNDAY, April 13

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

MAUNDY THURSDAY, April 17

Worship Service at 7pm in the Sanctuary

GOOD FRIDAY, April 18

Good Friday Service at 12 noon

EASTER SERVICES, April 20

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

Sunday School at FPC

- KidZone: Children ages 3-9 meet in the Fellowship Hall at 9am to learn about the love of God through Bible verses, songs, videos and fun activities.
- Join the Youth Sunday School class on Sundays at 10am in the Café as they "Hike the NT"! Each week, youth will explore a specific book of the New Testament utilizing videos and discussion. For more information, contact Director of Family Ministries, Mason Warren at masonwarren@fpcn.org.
- Adult Bible Study meets in Room D at 10:00am to discuss the weekly Lectionary text. Everyone is welcome. Contact Elizabeth Wilson with questions.
- Pastor Matt's Class is doing a Lenten study titled "Meeting Jesus at the Table" by Cynthia M. Campbell and Christine Coy Fohr. Join us in the library at 10:00am.

Prayer Mosaic



Salt of the Earth

“You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.”
Matthew 5:13



We Are One Body

As brothers and sisters in Christ and as Presbyterians, we value being connectional. We value discernment and living out Christ's call in community and not in solitude.



During this season of Lent, FPC has an opportunity to experience a **Prayer Mosaic**, a collection of interactive prayer moments intended to foster our prayer lives and promote spiritual growth.

You will find 7 prayer stations set up around the sanctuary, in the narthex, and in the entry near the church office. We encourage you to take a moment and pause at a prayer station. Read the framed instructions and take a moment to commune with God in a short prayer activity. This experience can be done independently, as a couple, or as a family. This can be done before worship, after worship, during church office hours, really any time the church building is open. Anyone and everyone is welcome to participate. There is no wrong way to pray, only different ways to pray. This experience invites you to find new ways to connect with God.

These prayer stations will be available through the Lent season.

Prayers for Our Church Family

Ongoing prayers for:

Pat Dail, Kathy Emmerson,
Marilyn Felts, Dean Fleming,
Chuck Foriska, David Greaser,
Frank Guess, Dixie Heflin, David Long,
Beth and Jimmy Loyless,
Ann McAnally, Irma McGuffey,
Maria Medina, Tami Newsom,

Specific prayers for:

~Sandra Bohlken for continued healing
from an unexpected surgery
~Jeanie Oakley, at the loss of her brother
~Angela Gibson, sister of Beth Allen,
as she prepares for chemo treatments

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 _____
(Circle one)

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Donated by:

My donation of \$ _____ is attached.

I am paying by: cash check # _____



This Week at FPC

Sun, Mar 30	9am Casual Worship Service ~ 11am Traditional Worship Service		
Mon, Mar 31	9:00	a.m.	KidZone/Fellowship Hall
	5:30	p.m.	Youth Group/Parlor (Café)
Tues, Apr 1	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
Wed, Apr 2	6:30	p.m.	Early-Onset Dementia Caregivers/Room A
	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts #444/FH, Room A, Narthex
	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
	6:00	p.m.	Casual Worship Music Rehearsal/Room A
Thurs, Apr 3	6:00	p.m.	Worship & Music/Library
	7:30	p.m.	Chancel Choir/Room A
	6:30	p.m.	Cub Scouts/Fellowship Hall
Fri, Apr 4	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	7:00	p.m.	Gentle Yoga Class/Narthex



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Church Office Hours:

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



<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."*