



FARRAGUT
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

May 18, 2025
9:00 a.m.

Love One Another

-John 13:31-35

This service is being recorded by video and audio means.

*We invite you to stand as able.

~ We Gather ~

Prelude

By Our Love
Music Ensemble

CCLI Song # 7021972 Horatio Gates Spafford | Kristene DiMarco | Philip Paul Bliss
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Greeting

Rev. Matt Nieman

Call To Worship

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise God on high!
Praise God, sun and moon. Praise God, all you shining stars!
Praise God from the earth, you sea monsters and ocean depths!
Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars, praise the Lord!
Kings and all peoples of the earth, princes and all rulers of the earth, praise the Lord!
Old and young together; all people praise the Lord!
Let us worship God!

*Opening Songs

All You Need is Love

The Beatles

Intro

Love, love, love
Love, love, love
Love, love, love

Verse 1

There's nothing you can do that can't be done
Nothing you can sing that can't be sung
Nothing you can say, but you can learn
How to play the game – It's easy

Verse 2

Nothing you can make that can't be made
No one you can save that can't be saved
Nothing you can do, but you can learn
How to be you in time – It's easy

Chorus

All you need is love
All you need is love
All you need is love, love, love
Love is all you need

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Verse 3


Nothing you can know that isn't known
Nothing you can see that isn't shown
There's nowhere you can be that isn't where
You're meant to be - It's easy

Words and Music by John Lennon & Paul McCartney

All Creatures of Our God and King

Lasst uns erfreuen

Unison




1 All crea-tures of our God and King, lift up your voice
2 O broth-er wind with clouds and rain, you nur-ture gifts
3 O broth-er fire, so warm and bright, chase off the shad-
4 All who for love of God for-give, all who in pain




and with us sing, Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
of fruit and grain. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
ows of the night. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
or sor-row grieve, Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Unison



O broth-er sun with gold-en beam, O sis-ter moon
O sis-ter wa-ter, flow-ing clear, make mu-sic for
Dear moth-er earth, who day by day un-folds such bless-
Christ bears your bur-dens and your fears; so, e-ven in

Harmony



with sil-ver gleam, sing prais-es! Al-le-lu-ia!
your Lord to hear. Sing prais-es! Al-le-lu-ia!
ings on our way, sing prais-es! Al-le-lu-ia!
the midst of tears, sing prais-es! Al-le-lu-ia!



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

*Prayer of Confession

Rev. Matt Nieman

God of mercy, your command to love one another across all differences opens us to new horizons, yet we often respond with fear and judgment that hinders your goal for humanity. Forgive our sins, we pray, and give us a true repentance that leads to life for all creation.

(please continue in silent prayer)

*Declaration of Forgiveness

*The Peace

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

*Kids aged 3-9 are invited to **KidZone** at this time. If worship is outside, please meet the leaders at the round table in the church lobby. If worship is inside, please meet the leaders in the Narthex.
The group will walk to the Fellowship Hall together.*

~ We Proclaim ~

Prayer for Illumination

John Begovich

O God of promise, your word made flesh in Jesus Christ is trustworthy and true. By the power of your Holy Spirit, may it rise up in us this day like a gift from the spring of the water of life to refresh our thirsty souls. Amen.

Scripture Readings: Revelation 21:1-6
John 13:31-35

[Pew Bible pg. 259]
[Pew Bible pg. 108]

Sermon

"Our Mission, Should We Choose to Accept It"

Rev. Matt Nieman

~ We Respond ~

Affirmation of Faith - (from "They'll Know We Are Christians by our Love")

**We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord
And we pray that our unity will one day be restored
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love
Yeah they'll know we are Christians by our love**

**We will work with each other, we will work side by side
And we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love
Yeah, they'll know we are Christians by our love.**

Musical Reflection

Tend

Ella Pinchock, solo

Verse 1

In the landscape of my life
You don't rush through any season
You always take Your time
A careful hand a gentle guide
You take what's dead away
And You prune what's running wild

Chorus

So be the gardener of my heart
Tend the soil of my soul
Break up the fallow ground
Cut back the overgrown
I won't shy away
I will let the branches fall
So what You want can stay
And what You love can grow

Verse 2

Through the winter I'm still alive
What You've planted in the dirt
Is ever reaching to the light
You prepare me for darkened times
You'll sustain what You have started
And You'll teach me to abide

Bridge

I'll remain in You You'll remain in me
And I will trust Your timing
I'll remain in You You'll remain in me
From the start until the ending
'Cause You will know better

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Graduate Recognition

We recognize and celebrate our FPC graduating High School Seniors
See the announcement section for more information

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.

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

God So Loved

VERSE 1



1. Come all you wea - ry, come all you thirst - y. Come to the well that



nev - er runs dry. Drink of the wat - er come and thirst no more.

VERSE 2



2. Come all you sin - ners, come find His mer - cy. Come to the ta - ble; He



will sat - is - fy. Taste of His good - ness, find what you're look - ing for. For

CHORUS



God so loved the world that He gave us His one and on - ly Son to save us. Who -



ev - er be - lieves in Him will live for - ev - er.

VERSE 3

Bring all your failures
Bring your addictions
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross
Jesus is waiting there
With open arms

CHORUS

For God so loved the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us
Whoever believes in Him will live forever
The power of hell forever defeated
Now it is well I'm walking in freedom
For God so loved God so loved the world

BRIDGE

Praise God praise God
From whom all blessings flow
Praise Him praise Him
For the wonders of His love

VERSE 4

Bring all your failures
Bring your addictions
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross
Jesus is waiting
God so loved the world

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*Charge and Benediction

Today's music ensemble:

Sandra Bohlken, piano & vocals ~ Ella Pinchock, guitar & vocals
Charles Needham, bass guitar ~ Kevin Zetina, percussion
LisaKay Matchen and Eva Lynch, vocals

A/V Team ~ Ken Ladrach, David Long, Mason Warren, Parker Morrell, & 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.

This Week at FPC

Sun, May 18	9am Casual Worship Service ~ 11am Traditional Worship Service		
Mon, May 19	9:00	a.m.	KidZone/Fellowship Hall
	2:00	p.m.	TVP Rehearsal/FH, Room A, Narthex
	5:30	p.m.	Youth Group/Cafe
	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	11:00	a.m.	Room D Reserved
Tues, May 20	4:30	p.m.	Big Fish Summer Staff Training/FH
	7:00	p.m.	Session/Library
	10:00	a.m.	PW Coordinating Team/Library
	10:30	a.m.	Feed the Hungry/VMC
	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
Wed, May 21	6:00	p.m.	Admin/Library
	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts #444/FH, Room A, Narthex
	11:00	a.m.	Big Fish Pre-K Graduation/Sanctuary, Narthex
	12:00	p.m.	Room D Reserved
	1:30	p.m.	Staff Meeting/Library
Thurs, May 22	6:00	p.m.	TVP Rehearsal/FH, Room A, Narthex
	6:00	p.m.	Casual Worship Music Rehearsal/Sanctuary
	7:30	p.m.	Chancel Choir/Room A
	8:00	a.m.	Men's Bible Study/Narthex
	12:00	p.m.	Pastor's Lunch/Library
Fri, May 23	12:30	p.m.	Neighborhood Book Club/Parlor
	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	7:00	p.m.	Gentle Yoga Class/Narthex



Farragut Presbyterian Church

209 Jamestowne Blvd. ~ Farragut, TN 37934
865/966-9547 ~ www.fpctn.org

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."*



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES

Please join us between services for a reception



Thomas Houlihan, son of Mindy & Mike Houlihan, is proud to be graduating from Central High School. He has a love for scouting and the outdoors. With his love of strategy/puzzles, the drive to help people, and a sense of adventure, it shouldn't surprise us that Thomas is looking for a future in the Air Force. Thomas knows that the path is not always straight, but we never walk it alone. Thank you to the FPC community for providing the faith and family connection that he has needed to transition to adulthood.

Kaitlyn Mee, daughter of Kristi & Rob Mee, will be graduating from Farragut High School on May 18. She will be attending the University of Tennessee in the fall, majoring in Communication Studies and minoring in Journalism and Media. Kaitlyn was very involved with theater arts and music while in high school and hopes to continue pursuing her passion in community theater or choir while attending UTK.



Turner Neely, son of Leigh Ann & Joel Neely, graduates on May 18 from Farragut High School. He has been a member of FPC for 10 years since moving to Tennessee. He was active in Cub Scout Pack 444 and Boy Scout Troop 444, obtaining the rank of Eagle Scout in 2024. He plans to attend East Tennessee State University and major in Digital Media. Turner will miss being a part of weekly Youth activities at FPC.

CAM Craft Supply Drive

It's that time! If you have unused craft items, we will be making a trip to Townsend CAM cabin May 22. Items specifically requested include BABY FLANNEL, flannel, medium rick-rack, white specifically, batting, 7/8" white buttons, old license plates, TN, GA, AL. Fabric, yarn, thread are always needed. We meet at church at 10am and have lunch at Elvira's. If you would like to go or have questions, contact Debbie Long or Mikie Lancaster.

Donations

School's Out Food Drive

A big thank you for the donations to help kids in need over the summer. FPC generosity is the best! As school ends soon, some children will lose school-provided breakfasts and lunches. The Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry will help make up for that loss by having a special food distribution to families in need as identified by school social workers. We couldn't do it without your generosity!

Summer KidZone

starting June 1 ~ Sundays at 9am

Get ready for an epic adventure through snowy trails, towering mountains, and wild forests as we discover God's amazing creation and His love for us.



Children, Youth & Family

TODAY!

for Grades 6-12

Each Sunday will be filled with fun games, cool crafts, songs around the "campfire," and thrilling Bible stories that will warm your heart—even in the frozen north!

So bundle up, bring a friend, and join us for a wild time in the great Alaskan outdoors!

PRESBYTERY OF EAST TENNESSEE
SMALL & MIGHTY YOUTH GROUP

Farragut
Presbyterian
Church



Sunday
May 18, 2025
5:30-7:30 pm

WATER OLYMPICS

Events

Spend a Fun & Spirit-filled Week with Our Youth

Dear FPC Church Family,
We're looking for at least one **female chaperone** to join us for this summer's **Montreat Youth Conference**, happening **June 7-14, 2025**—and we could really use your help!

Montreat is a special week for our youth filled with worship, fun, and community. It's a meaningful experience not just for the students, but for the adults who go as well. If you've ever thought about getting more involved, this is a great opportunity.

Dates: June 7-14, 2025

Location: Montreat, NC

If you're available and willing to help, please reach out and I would be more than happy to answer any questions or help you get signed up! Thanks for considering this opportunity to invest in the life and faith of our youth!



Peace & Blessings,
Mason Warren
Director of Family Ministries
(865) 966-9547 Ext. 105

Other Important Information

Our Bookkeeper, Lori Corbett, celebrates her 10 year anniversary with FPC on June 1.

Let's express our gratitude for her years of service by showering her with cards or small gifts. You can bring them to the church office, Lori's mail folder in the office hallway, or to Lori during the week. We are grateful for Lori and look forward to more years working together.



Missing Apron

Please return your apron!

If you have helped in the FPC kitchen or at VMC you may have worn a green apron with FPC embroidered on the chest. We are missing a few and would like to have them available for our upcoming events and volunteer opportunities.

Thank you!

Tennessee Valley Players Return This Summer with Oklahoma!

The annual collaboration between TVP and the University of Tennessee College of Music Choral Area returns this summer with the ground-breaking musical from Rodgers and Hammerstein.

Performances are at the St. Gregory the Great Auditorium at Knoxville Catholic High School on Cedar Bluff Road - with free and easy parking!

Thursday, June 05 - 7:30 pm

Friday, June 06 - 7:30 pm

Saturday, June 07 - 2:00 pm and 7:30 pm

Sunday, June 08 - 3:00 pm

Tickets available at www.tennesseevalleyplayers.org

Featured are FPC members
Dr. Angela Batey, Tami Newsom, Mary Ellen Haig,
and TVP Board Members Nancy and Ron Pevey



Join us for Smokies Baseball, Saturday, June 28th at 7pm. For more information see the flyer in the Narthex!



Do you have a rising 2nd-7th grader? Send them to Music Camp this June at Messiah Lutheran Church! See the flyer in the Narthex for more information.

JOIN US IN CELEBRATING THE

Commissioning of Mary Overstreet

AS PASTOR OF



on
Sunday, May 18th, 2025
at 2:30 in the afternoon
at
Graystone Presbyterian Church
139 Woodlawn Pike
Knoxville, TN 37920

Horizon 2035: A Readiness Action Plan

At its meeting on April 28, the Session took two initial and important steps toward enacting the Horizon 2035 initiative it endorsed in March.

First, it hired Rev. John Sharp, Ph.D., as Director of Spiritual Formation. In his role, John will lead the Horizon 2035 initiative and direct adult programming at FPC. John is a seasoned and accomplished pastor, scholar, teacher, and leader. He and his wife, Whitney, joined our congregation last year and are tremendous blessings to our community.

Second, the Session created a Horizon 2035 steering committee to assist John in implementing the initiative's vision. The committee will champion the project and chart the steps taken to realize the vision of fulfilling God's call to FPC for the next decade.

You can read a summary of the Horizon 2035 report as well as the comprehensive and detailed report at www.fpctn.org/horizon-2035 or on our website.

