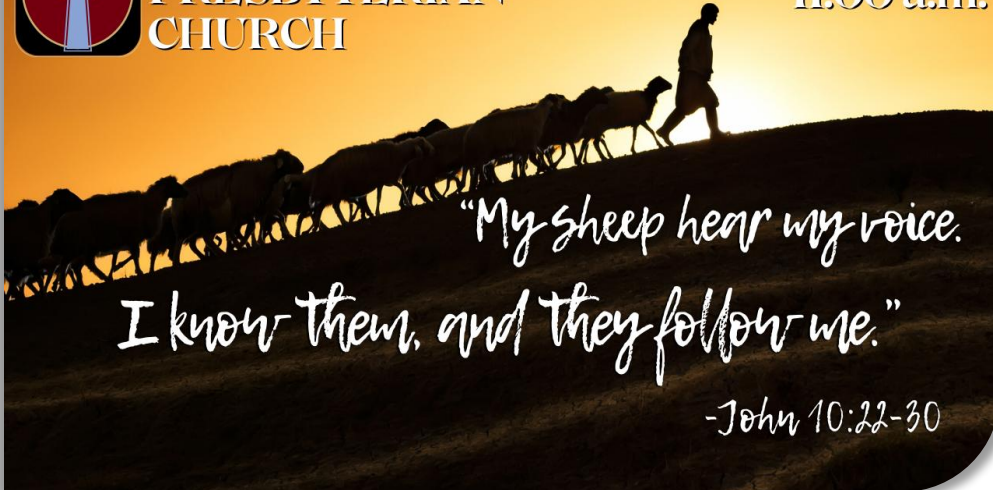




FARRAGUT  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH

May 11, 2025  
11:00 a.m.



This service is being recorded by video and audio means.

\*We invite you to stand as able.

~ The Gathering ~

PRELUDE

*Adoro te devote*  
Tami Newsom, organ

Clark

GREETING

Rev. Matt Nieman

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is our shepherd;

**we lack nothing.**

Though we may walk through the darkest valley,

**we fear no evil; for God is with us.**

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow us all the days of our lives,

**and we shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

Let us worship God!

\*HYMN #423

*Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun*

Duke Street

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Holy God, we confess that we have strayed from your paths of right relationship and peace, and we have dishonored you, ourselves, and your creation; we repent of these hurtful ways. Forgive us, we pray, as we learn to forgive others, and guide our feet into the way of peace.**

*(please continue in silent prayer)*

**\*KYRIE ELEISON #82**

O Lamm Gottes

**O Lamb of God most holy! Who on the cross did suffer,  
And patient still and lowly, Yourself to scorn did offer;  
Our sins by You were taken, Or hope had us forsaken:  
Have mercy on us, Jesus!**

**\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

**\*GLORIA PATRI #81, VERSE 4**

St. Flavian

**Abide with us, that so, this life  
of suffering over-past,  
an Easter of unending joy  
we may attain at last!**

**\*THE PEACE**

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



*~ The Word ~*

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Susan Harbin

**Shepherd of Souls, you call us to an abundant feast at the table of your word; open our hearts to feed on your goodness, that by the power of the Holy Spirit we might dwell evermore deeply in you.  
Amen.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Acts 9:36-43

[Pew Bible pg. 128]

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

HYMN #172

*Psalm 23*

Resignation

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: John 10:22-30

[Pew Bible pg. 104]

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to You, O Christ.**

SERMON

*"It Was Winter"*

Rev. Matt Nieman

*~ The Response ~*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: Psalm 23

**The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. <sup>2</sup>He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; <sup>3</sup>he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake. <sup>4</sup>Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. <sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. <sup>6</sup>Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.**

THE ANTHEM

*Every Time I Feel the Spirit*

arr. Moore

Men's Ensemble

Our Men sing today in honor of Mother's Day

The anthem text may be found in The Hymnal, #315

CALL FOR THE OFFERING



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.**

*~ The Sending ~*

\*HYMN #446      *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*      Austrian Hymn

\*BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE #367      *Jesu, Jesu*      Chereponi

**Jesu, Jesu, fill us with Your love,  
Show us how to serve the neighbors we have from You.**

\*POSTLUDE      *Alleluia! O Sons and Daughters Let Us Sing*      Peeters  
Tami Newsom, organ



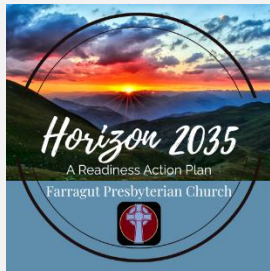
Usher ~ Susan Harbin  
A/V Team ~ Ken Ladrach, David Long, Mason Warren,  
Parker Morrell & Turner Neely

**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](mailto:office@fpctn.org), or
- Sign the pew attendance pad.



## Horizon 2035: A Readiness Action Plan

You might recall the conversations that the Session commissioned our own John Sharp to have with all of us over the winter months, conversations that yielded tremendous insight from all of you but also included data that John provided us about the state of the mainline church in the U.S., the PCUSA, and the demographics of our congregation. John wrote a final report with a series of recommendations the Session will begin to implement.

You can read a summary of his report as well as the comprehensive and detailed report at [www.fpcn.org/horizon-2035](http://www.fpcn.org/horizon-2035) or on our website.

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.

John began his part-time role on May 1.

Second, the Session created a Horizon 2035 steering committee to assist John in implementing the initiative's vision. The steering committee consists of Jeff Thode, Sharon Koch, Lynn Kszos, Tom Feldhausen, and Matt Nieman. 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.



## Donations

### 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 10, have lunch at Elvira's. If you would like to go or have questions, contact Debbie Long or Mikie Lancaster.



### School's Out Food Drive

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. TODAY, Sunday, May 11, is the last day we will collect food items kids can have on hand that require little preparation. Think breakfast bars, cereal, peanut butter, individual fruit cups, etc. You can place your donations in the red wagon in the narthex.

### 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.



### PRESBYTERY OF EAST TENNESSEE SMALL & MIGHTY YOUTH GROUP



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!

## Children, Youth & Family

Middle and High Schoolers  
Mark your calendars and come join the fun this Spring and Summer!

For more information contact  
Director of Family Ministries,  
Mason Warren.

FPC YOUTH SUMMER 2025	
MAY 25	NO YOUTH
JUNE 1	SUMMER KICKOFF
JUNE 7-11	MONTELEONE YOUTH CONFERENCE
JUNE 15	NO YOUTH
JUNE 17	SMYG • TOPGOLF
JUNE 22	SOAKY MOUNTAIN
JUNE 29	WHITE WATER RAFTING EXPEDITION
JULY 6	NO YOUTH
JULY 13	FPC NIGHT • THE MOVIES: SUPERMAN
JULY 14	SMYG • RIVER RAT TUBING
JULY 15	YOUTH SERVE • VMG
JULY 28-31	PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH TRIENNIAL
AUGUST 3	BACK TO SCHOOL BASH
AUGUST 10	NO YOUTH

ALL EVENTS SUBJECT TO CHANGE  
PLEASE CONTACT MASON WARREN, MASONWARREN@FPCN.ORG  
FOR MORE INFORMATION





## SAVE THE DATE

Graduate recognition Sunday will be May 18 at both services.  
We are excited to celebrate our FPC high school graduates!



## Events

### Tennessee Valley Players Return This Summer with

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 Shows at 2:00 pm and 7:30 pm  
Sunday, June 08 3:00 pm

Tickets available at [www.tennesseevalleyplayers.org](http://www.tennesseevalleyplayers.org)

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

## This Week at FPC

Sun, May 11	9am Casual Worship Service ~ 11am Traditional Worship Service		
Mon, May 12	9:00	a.m.	KidZone/Fellowship Hall
	5:30	p.m.	Youth Group/Cafe
	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	10:00	a.m.	Book Club/Library
	11:00	a.m.	Room D Reserved
Tues, May 13	4:00	p.m.	Stephen Ministry/Library
	7:00	p.m.	CE/Zoom
	10:00	a.m.	PW Circle #1/Room A
	10:00	a.m.	PW Circle #2/Library
	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
Wed, May 14	6:00	p.m.	Personnel/Library
	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts #444/FH, Room A, Narthex
	10:00	a.m.	PW Circle #3/Library
	12:00	p.m.	Room D Reserved
	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
Thurs, May 15	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
	4:30	p.m.	Big Fish Summer Staff Training/FH
	4:30	p.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
Fri, May 16	10:00	a.m.	Gentle Yoga Class/Narthex
Sat, May 17	7:00	p.m.	TVP Rehearsal/FH, Room A, Narthex
	2:00	p.m.	TVP Rehearsal/FH, Room A, Narthex

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.



When God thought of mother,  
He must have laughed with satisfaction,  
and framed it quickly —  
so rich, so deep, so divine,  
so full of soul, power, and beauty,  
was the conception.  
—Henry Ward Beecher

*Happy Mother's Day*

