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Farragut
Presbyterian
Church



LOVE AND LEARN

July 20, 2025
11:00 am

Luke 10:38-42

~ The Gathering ~

Prelude

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee
Linda Stutzenberger, organ

arr. Hopson

Greeting

Rev. Matt Nieman

Call To Worship

In Christ the fullness of God was pleased to dwell.

Through Christ God reconciled all things to Godself.

In Christ we find our beginning, our purpose, and our own being.

We are Christ's body, eager to serve.

*Hymn #263

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

St. Denio

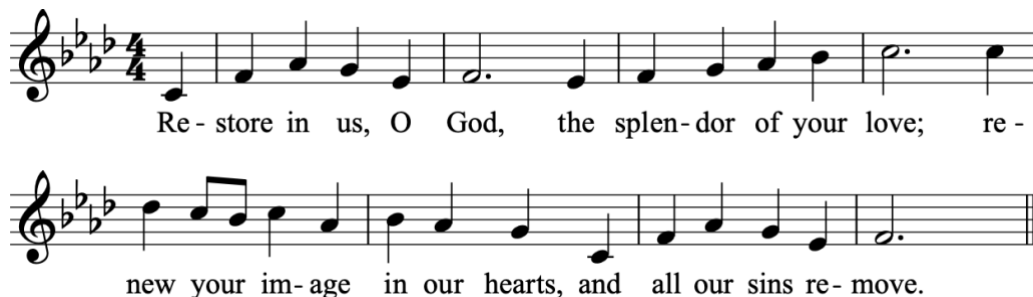
*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Merciful Savior, we confess that we have been distracted with many things and have not loved you with our whole heart and strength. We have not paid attention to your Word. We have allowed the poor to be neglected and the weak to be oppressed. We have been impatient in worship and insincere in our dealings with others. We have ignored signs of injustice and disregarded warnings of judgment. Forgive us, we pray, and teach us repentance. Free us from our habits of pride, and make us steadfast in faith, that we may live as those who are reconciled with you in Jesus Christ our Lord.

(please continue in silent prayer)

*Kyrie eleison #434



*Declaration of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri #488, verse 3

The God of Abraham Praise

Leoni

**You have eternal life Implanted in the soul;
Your love shall be our strength and stay While ages roll.
We praise You, Living God! We praise Your holy name;
The first, the last, beyond all thought, and still the same!**

*The Peace

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

~ The Word ~

Prayer for Illumination

Brian Davison

O God, as we receive your Word through your Holy Spirit, open our eyes to your justice, open our ears to your judgment, open our hearts to your love. Amen.

First Scripture Reading: Colossians 1:15-20

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalms 52 (*unison*)

tune Hymn to Joy, arr. Morgan

**Why your boast, O wicked mortals?
Why your pride in vain deceit?
All your efforts work their malice,
God's true causes to defeat.
Like a sword, your evil cunning
Cuts the righteous to the core;
But the Lord rejects deception,
And endures your hate no more.**

**Then the righteous shall with laughter
Celebrate your earned demise;
Raise new virtue from your ashes,
Speak the truth above your lies.
By God's justice shall the faithful
Claim your loss as their own gain;
Evermore God's praises render,
Ever in God's house remain.**

Second Scripture Reading: Luke 10:38 - 42

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon

"Our One Necessary Thing"

Rev. Matt Nieman

~ The Response ~

Affirmation of Faith *from the PCUSA Study Catechism*

We love because God first loved us. God loves us in Christ with a love that never ends. Amazed by grace, I no longer live for myself. I live for the Lord who died and rose again, triumphant over death, for my sake. Therefore, I take those around me to heart, especially those in particular need, knowing that Christ died for them no less than for me.

Hymn #413

All Who Love and Serve Your City

Charlestown

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 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 #417

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

Regent Square

*Benediction

*Congregational Response

Will You Come and Follow Me

Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name?__ Will you go where you don't
know and nev - er be the same?__ Will you let my love be shown,__ will you
let my name be known,__ will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

*Postlude

Postlude on Regent Square
Linda Stutzenberger, organ

arr. Hopson

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.

Looking for ways to be involved in Worship?

Sign-up to be an usher, scripture reader, or communion server!

All ages are invited to sign up.

Please go to: <http://tinyurl.com/FPCvolunteerSignUp> and sign up in the appropriate available time slot. If you have any questions, contact Mikie Lancaster, Ken Ladrach, or the church office (865/966-9547).



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Pastor.....Rev. Matthew Nieman
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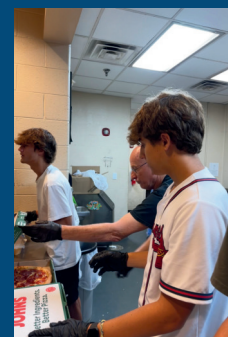
The FPC Prayer Partner Program is back for the 2025-2026 School Year! Please consider signing up to be in prayer for one of our students throughout the school year! To sign up, please either fill out the form located on the Family Ministry Bulletin Board or contact Mason Warren, masonwarren@fpcn.org.

FPC Blessing of the Backpacks 2025



On Sunday, August 3rd, in addition to celebrating the end of the Summer KidZone program, we will also be having a Blessing of Backpacks. Students are invited to bring their backpacks with them to church so that we can pray over them as they begin the new school year. For more information, please contact Mason Warren, masonwarren@fpcn.org

Farragut Presbyterian Youth serve @ VMC, 07/15/2025



PW Back to school supply drive

Presbyterian Women invite the congregation to join us as we collect supplies needed for the special area teachers in Cocke County.

Items most needed include:

- tissues
- pencils
- crayons
- colored pencils
- glue sticks
- scissors
- printer paper
- Ziplock bags
- hand sanitizer
- markers
- construction paper
- bottled glue
- skin-toned crayons
- sketchbooks

You may place your donation in the designated basket in the narthex. These will be delivered when the items for the children are delivered. Questions? Contact Debbie Long

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Sunset Gap Back to School

It's that time!

Signup is available both in the Narthex and online at

<https://tinyurl.com/SGback2school25>

or you can use the QR code.



Sign your name, include your phone number in case we need to contact you.

Please do not gift wrap.

Return items to church by July 27.

Questions? Contact Debbie Long

As the summer heats up, so does our need for helping hands! With many of our regular volunteers traveling or taking time off, we're reaching out to ask for your support in keeping our routes covered. If you have any flexibility in your schedule, we have several upcoming dates where we're especially in urgent need of extra volunteer support:

- Monday, 7/21
- Monday and Tuesday, 7/28-7/29
- Thursday, 7/31



If you're available to fill in on any day in the near future, even just once, it would make a meaningful difference in keeping our routes running smoothly and ensuring every senior receives their meal and wellness check. Flexibility with route location is especially helpful during this time. Just let us know when you're available and we'll do our best to match you with a route that fits.

Please call us at (865) 524-2786, or text our volunteer line at (865) 680-2594 if you're able to help.

**Mobile Meals
Needs Help**



Meals with a Mission

400 more cans of diced tomatoes still needed!



We packed so many bags of food that we ran out of the 14.5 oz cans of diced tomatoes that must accompany each bag.

You can leave your donations at the church office or in the Fellowship Hall Kitchen

COMMUNITY BOARD



Driver Safety

Paul Johnson, a member of FPC, is an instructor for the AARP Smart Driver Class at the West Knox County Senior Center. This safety driving classroom course meets over two days (Thursday and Friday, usually near the end of each month) for four hours each day from 11:00 AM–3:00 PM. Class fee is \$20 if you're an AARP member or \$25 if you are not an AARP member.

The smart driver class explores effective safe-driving practices, skills and strategies you can use on the road every day. It also covers defensive driving techniques to help you deal with aggressive drivers, and more! Seating is limited for this class. Registration is required. Please call the West Knox County Senior Center at 865-288-7805 to inquire about available classes and to sign up to attend. Many individuals get a discount on their auto insurance for successfully completing the class. Consult with your auto insurance provider to determine if you are eligible for a discount with successful completion of the class.

This Week at FPC

- Sun, Jul 20 9am Casual Worship Service/Sanctuary
9am Summer KidZone/Room A
11am Traditional Worship Service/Sanctuary
- Mon, Jul 21 10am Chair Yoga/Narthex
5pm Church Life Committee/Library
- Tues, Jul 22 11am Prayer Shawl Ministry/Room D
- Wed, Jul 23 12pm Room D Reserved
6pm Casual Worship Team Rehearsal/Sanctuary
- Thurs, Jul 24 8am Men's Bible Study/Narthex
12pm Pastor's Lunch/Library
12:30pm Neighborhood Book Club/Cafe/Parlor
- Fri, Jul 25 10am Chair Yoga/Narthex
7pm Gentle Yoga/Narthex

Directory

A copy of our Church directory is available in the Narthex.

Please check your directory information and make any changes necessary. If it is OK as is, please initial it. You can email a more current picture to Sandra in the church office.

Save the date

Families with Children & Youth are invited to join us on Sunday, August 3rd starting at 2 pm at the home of Clay and Denise Griffin for a Back to School Bash! We will enjoy a potluck meal together as well as some fun on the river! To RSVP, please fill out the link below.

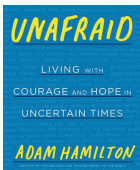
[FPCBack2SchoolBash25](https://www.fpcback2schoolbash25.com)



Narnia

If you're interested, or just curious, about joining us on our Quest through Narnia this fall, there will be a question and answer session on August 18 at 2pm in Room D. If you have questions but can't make that time, please contact Elizabeth Wilson or the church office.

Pastor Matt's Class



You'd be hard-pressed to overstate the extent to which fear, anxiety, and worry permeate our lives today. Fear wreaks havoc on our relationships and communities. It leads us into making bad decisions. It holds us back from the very pursuits that promise fulfillment and joy.

Join us at 10:00 in the library for a study of Adam Hamilton's, *Unafraid: Living with Courage and Hope in Uncertain Times*

The study uses a mixture of facts and faith to help us understand and counter fears related to such outsized perils as death and illness, as well as the everyday anxieties all of us encounter.



MENU FOR SUMMER & FALL 2025: For Adults

Quest Sundays: Ongoing spiritual formation opportunities situated between worship services, meeting at 10:00am with childcare provided:

Pastor's Class Meeting in the Library, this class is led by Pastor Matt or, on occasion, others. You will find a great mix of Bible study and engagement on topical matters at the intersection of faith and culture.

Soul Café *Starting July 20!* Meeting in the new Narthex gathering space. John Sharp will facilitate a lively, interactive experience around worship themes and content for the day. No lesson to prepare - come as you are!

Quest Groups: Building relationships and faith beyond Sunday mornings:

Small Groups

Typically meeting in homes, with an emphasis on relationships and growing together – so they are smaller by design. We are now starting a third group with new ones being formed on an as needed basis. Contact the church office or talk to John if you're interested in a small group or want to know more.

Presbyterian Women

Currently three groups meeting monthly at 10:00 am (2nd Tuesday and 2nd Wednesday), all women are invited to be a part of these mid-week opportunities for Bible study, prayer and time spent together. This year's focus is: finding resilience, joy and our identity in Jesus Christ. Contact Janet Tinder if interested.

Men's Bible Study

The 2nd & 4th Thursdays of the month at 8:00 am, in the Narthex. Great discussion, exploration of scripture, prayer, time together, and Chick-fil-a biscuits!

Questions Classes:

Spiritual formation should be practical, helping to address real questions, interests and needs that we encounter in life. These occasional gatherings meet at various times for a specific number of sessions.

Adventures in Narnia

Join Elizabeth Wilson (online or in person) in a discovery of C.S. Lewis' *Chronicles of Narnia* along with Bible content and readings from Lewis' *Mere Christianity*. One part book club among friends and one part biblical and theological inquiry. Come discover Lewis' unique way of increasing our spiritual understanding.

Contact the office or Elizabeth for more information. Starts September 18.

Conversations in Science and Faith *Coming soon!*

A majority of Americans believe science and faith are in direct conflict, leading to mistrust and misunderstanding of one another. How can faith and science understand and inform each other? How can faith flourish in an age of science and technology? Bring a friend and join the conversation!

Myself: A User's Guide - Finding Fulfillment by Understanding Yourself and Serving Others

How do your life experiences, personality and skills pair with what you love to do *and* your spiritual gifts? A lively and enjoyable experience of self-discovery that integrates biblical teaching with the social sciences and self-reflection.

Meets September 15, 22, 29 & October 6 from 5:30 – 6:30 pm in the Narthex.



MENU FOR SUMMER & FALL 2025: For Children

Kids Quest (formerly KidZone)

A fun Sunday morning option for Kids ages 3-9 during the 9am worship service.

In KidsQuest, students discover and explore the love of God through Bible verses, songs, videos and exciting activities such as art & science!

Special Events

Watch the newsletter and bulletins, contact Mason Warren or the church office for info on frequent, engaging events that foster the spiritual and social formation of children.

Childcare

Safe and nurturing care is always provided for Sunday morning activities – and other events as needed.



MENU FOR SUMMER & FALL 2025: For Students (Youth)

Youth Group

Meets on Sunday evenings at 5:30 pm in the Youth room. During youth group, middle school and high school students gather together for a time of fellowship and faith through bible study, games, and more!

Youth Sunday School

Meets on Sunday mornings at 10 am in the Youth room. In Youth Sunday School, students dive deeper into God's word through the use of videos, discussion, and more!

More

From retreats to serving together to exciting activities that build relationships – contact Mason Warren or the church office for upcoming events.

