



Farragut Presbyterian  
FPC Church

January 11, 2026  
11:00 a.m.

LOVE AND LEARN

This service is being recorded by video and audio means.

\*We invite you to stand as able.

~ *The Gathering* ~

Greeting

Rev. Matt Nieman

Prelude

*Christe Sanctorum*  
Tami Newsom, organ

Carlson

Call to Worship

In the beginning, at creation, the Spirit hovered over the waters of the deep.

**In the waters of the flood, God cleansed the earth and humankind.**

God caused the waters to part so that Israel could cross from slavery to liberation.

**God formed Jesus in the waters of Mary's womb.**

Jesus taught us how to live by washing his disciples' feet in water.

**Drinking water from a well, Jesus met a Samaritan woman, the first person to recognize that he was the Christ.**

Today we celebrate the baptism of Jesus, the Christ.

**God meant for Jesus to be the firstborn in a large family. Praise be!**

\*Hymn #466

*O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing*

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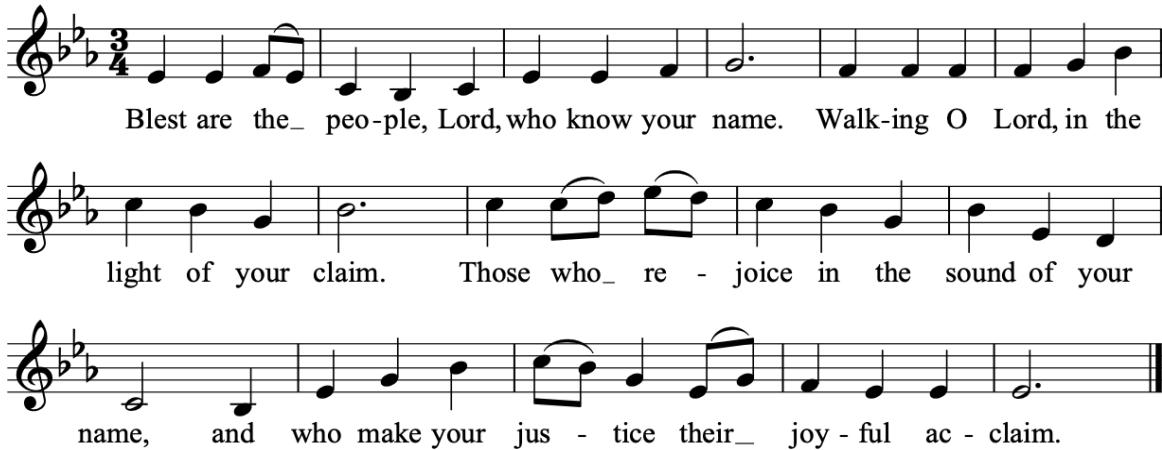
\*Call to Confession

\*Prayer of Confession

**God, you show no partiality, yet we are not always as tolerant and accepting.  
Forgive our intolerance, and help us to see as you see, that we may be found  
acceptable in your sight through Jesus our Christ.**

*(please continue in silent prayer)*

\*Kyrie eleison



Blest are the peo-ple, Lord, who know your name. Walk-ing O Lord, in the  
light of your claim. Those who re - joice in the sound of your  
name, and who make your jus - tice their joy - ful ac - claim.

\*Declaration of Forgiveness

\*Gloria Patri

*Angels We Have Heard On High*

Gloria

**Gloria in excelsis Deo;  
Gloria in excelsis Deo;**

\*The Peace

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

~ The Word ~

Prayer for Illumination

Karen Johnson

**Still-speaking God, as these words from Scripture are read, may it be to us as if the heavens are opening, and we see your Spirit descending on us like a dove, revealing your love for us as your daughters and sons. Amen.**

First Scripture Reading: Acts 10:34-43

[Pew Bible pg. 129]

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 29

Dr. Angela Batey - cantor

Guimont



The Lord will bless his peo-ple with peace.

O give the Lord, you children of God, give the Lord glory and power;  
Give the Lord the glory of his name. Adore the Lord, resplendent and holy. (R)

The Lord's voice resounding on the waters, the Lord on the immensity of waters;  
The voice of the Lord, full of power, the voice of the Lord, full of splendor. (R)

The God of glory thunders. In his temple they all cry: "Glory!"  
The Lord sat over the flood; the Lord sits asking for ever. (R)

Second Scripture Reading: Matthew 3:13-17

[Pew Bible pg. 3]

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sermon

"Beloved"

Rev. Matt Nieman

*~ The Response ~*

Affirmation of Faith – from the Heidelberg Catechism

**We believe that we belong, in life and in death, not to ourselves but to our faithful Savior Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own life has freed us from the dominion of evil. Everything fits his purpose of salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he assures us of eternal life and makes us willing and ready to live for him.**

The Anthem

*Like A Dove*  
Dr. Angela L. Batey, soprano

John Purifoy

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes our sins away. "After me will come a man whose sandals I'm not worthy even to untie." And then Jesus came, when from the water He arose, behold the heavens opened up,  
He saw the hand of God descending from on high.

Like a dove, the Spirit came to Him. Like a dove, it then remained with Him.  
From above a voice cried, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I'm well pleased."  
Prepare ye the way, the way of the Lord. And ev'ry valley shall be filled, each mountain and each hill will be brought low.  
The crooked shall be straight, the rough ways be made smooth.  
He on whom you see the Spirit descend, this shall be the Son of God.  
Like a dove, the Spirit comes to us. Like a dove, it then remains with us.  
From above a voice cries, "This is my beloved child with whom I'm well pleased."

In the Life of the Church

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 #495

*We Know That Christ Is Raised*

Engelberg

\*Benediction

\*Congregational Response #70

*Baptize us with Your Spirit*

Caithness

**Baptize us with Your Spirit, Lord, Your cross on us be signed,  
That, likewise in God's service, we May perfect freedom find.**

\*Postlude

*In Thee Is Gladness*  
Tami Newsom, organ

Beck

Usher ~ Thom Haig

A/V Team ~ Ken Ladrach, David Long, and Mason Warren

**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.



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Judy Alexander, Pat Dail, Linda Ewald, Marilyn Felts, Dean & Lucy Fleming, Frank Guess, Nancy Huntley, Beth & Jimmy Loyless, Ann McAnally, Scott & Debby McKinney, Maria Medina, Irma McGuffey, Tami Newsom, Donna Phillips, Jan Seiler

*Join us for a special time of Fellowship after worship.*

*Coffee, Lemonade, and Nibbles in the Narthex!*

*Narthex  
Nibbles*



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## SPIRITUAL FORMATION

Lunch and Learn - THIS THURSDAY!

We're launching a new time of fellowship and learning on Thursday, January 15. We're calling it "Lunch and Learn." We'll gather for lunch together at 11:30 at the church (in Room A or the narthex) and follow our meal and fellowship with a short study of some of the giants of our faith. St. Augustine, C.S. Lewis, Thomas Merton, Henri Nouwen, and so many other famous scholars, pastors, and writers have so much to say about faith and God's place in the world. Matt Nieman and John Sharp will lead these brief discussions on these well-known figures and their ideas that have shaped our faith. We'll limit our time to around an hour to make room for the other activities of our day, but hope you'll be able to join other members of our community in a time of relationship-strengthening and learning. The meal will be catered, and the cost is only \$10 per person at the event.

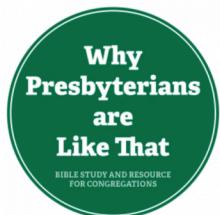
You can sign up at this link: <https://tinyurl.com/FPCLunchandLearn> or, you can sign up in the narthex on Sunday morning.

## Sunday morning Adult Classes at 10am



Soul Cafe meets in the new Narthex gathering space. John Sharp facilitates a lively, interactive experience around worship themes and content for the day.  
No lesson to prepare - come as you are!

Pastor Matt's class has started a new study called "Why Presbyterians Are Like That." Each Sunday, we'll look into elements of faith that are foundational to our identity. They include: The Bible, Grace, Response, Brains, Justice, Sin, and Hope.  
Join us in the Library!



Mobile Meals is in dire need of volunteers to cover two regular delivery weeks plus we need additional folks to be subs periodically. Specifically we need two teams of two people each to cover Fridays, Week 1 and Fridays Week 2.  
Plus we need coverage for 5th Fridays.



If you can help or have questions please call Irene Rice.

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

**Sign up in the Narthex to serve at the Volunteer Ministry Center in 2026**

**FPC's day to serve is the third Tuesday of every month.**

**Our next date to serve is Tuesday, January 20**

Thank you to all who served at the Volunteer Ministry Center throughout 2025!

Pictured are our December volunteers from the Men's Bible Study.

*L to R: Scott McKinney, Matt Nieman, Wayne Walls, Thom Haig, Kirk Morris*



## Looking Ahead



**Easter Egg Hunt on April 5, Easter Sunday, at 10am (between worship services)**

## CHILDREN.YOUTH & FAMILIES

**Summer KidsQuest** is our summer-long, VBS-style children's ministry experience, offered weekly during the 9:00 a.m. outdoor worship service. Rather than a one-week Vacation Bible School, kids gather each Sunday from June 7–August 9 for engaging lessons, songs, and activities as they journey together through this summer's theme, Faith Frontier.



**Camp John Knox** Sign up to go to camp with friends or be on staff this summer. See Mason Warren for more details.

**Montreat (June 13-20)** Montreat Youth Conference is a unique gathering of young people from all over the country for a week of study, worship, and recreation.



## This Week at FPC

**Sun, Jan 11**

9am Casual Worship Service/Sanctuary  
10am Soul Cafe/Narthex  
Pastor Matt's Class/Library  
KidStart/Room D  
YouthQuest/Youth Rm

11am Traditional Worship Service/Sanctuary

12pm Nibbles in the Narthex

Mon, Jan 12  
10am Chair Yoga/Narthex  
10am Book Club/Room A  
11am Library reserved  
4pm Stephen Ministry/Library  
7pm Christian Formation/Zoom

Tues, Jan 13  
10am PW Circle #1/Room A  
10am PW Circle #2/Library  
12:15pm Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary  
7pm BS #444/FH, Room A, Narthex

Wed, Jan 14  
10am PW Circle #3/Library  
12pm Parlor reserved  
12:15pm Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary  
6pm Casual Worship Music Rehearsal/Room A  
6pm Handbell Rehearsal/Sanctuary  
7:30pm Chancel Choir/Room A

Thurs, Jan 15  
11:30am Lunch and Learn/Room A  
6:30pm Cub Scouts/FH, Narthex, Room A, Room D, Parlor

Fri, Jan 16  
10am Chair Yoga/Narthex  
7pm Gentle Yoga/Narthex

Sat, Jan 17  
12:30pm Townhomes of Wentworth HOA/Room A

## CHILDREN.YOUTH & FAMILIES

### THIS MONTH

Join us Sundays for **KidsQuest** during the 9am Worship Service  
**Youth Group** -Sundays at 5:30pm

#### January 25

**Bridgepoint 345**-- grades 3, 4 & 5 meet for faith and fellowship

#### Small & Mighty

Once a month we join other youth groups from our Presbytery to form the Small & Mighty Youth Group. Our next gathering is **January 18 from 4-6:30pm** for Faith & Fellowship Night



Look for the Winter/Spring 2026 Quest Menu in the Narthex. There are several new classes beginning in the new year.

*See John Sharp for more details or if you have any questions.*