



LOVE AND LEARN

Farragut  
Presbyterian  
FPC  
Church

April 26, 2026

9:00 a.m.

This service is being recorded by video and audio means.

\*We invite you to stand as able.

*BabySteps (Nursery) is available for infants to children 2 years of age*

*Kids ages 3-11 will be dismissed to KidsQuest during Worship*

~ We Gather ~

Prelude

*High Praise*  
Worship Team

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Call to Worship

We have been through much, but the Lord has been with us,  
and so we find peace and give thanks.

**The Lord is our shepherd; we have everything we need.**

Through shadow and light, through death and birth, through grief and joy, we have never  
been alone. We rest in that truth.

**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow us all the days of our lives, and we shall dwell in  
the house of the Lord forever.**

\*Opening Song

**Step By Step**

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O God, You are my God, and I will ev - er praise  
You. O God, You are my God, and I will ev - er praise  
You. I will seek You in the morn - ing, and I will  
learn to walk in Your ways; And step by step You'll lead  
me, and I will fol - low You all of my days.

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\*Prayer of Confession

**Holy One, we confess to you and to one another that we have not always followed Christ's example. When we have been abused, we have been abusive in return. We have gone astray. Lead us back into your fold and guard our souls in Jesus' name.**

*(please continue in silent prayer)*

\*The Peace

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

*Kids grades K-5 are invited to meet at the front of the church to travel to KidsQuest together (in Room D)*

## ~ We Proclaim ~

Prayer for Illumination

John Begovich

**Loving God, we pray that your Holy Spirit will strengthen us to be devoted to the teachings of your Word, that through it we may hear your voice and follow it into eternal life. Amen.**

Scripture Readings: 1 Peter 2:19-25  
Acts 2:42-47

[Pew Bible pg. 233]  
[Pew Bible pg. 120]

Sermon

“All Were Together”

Rev. Matt Nieman



## ~ We Respond ~

Affirmation of Faith - *from the Confession of 1967*

**We believe that the new life in Christ does not absolve us from conflict with unbelief, pride, lust, and fear. We still must struggle with disheartening difficulties and problems. Nevertheless, we live in good cheer, bearing witness on good and evil days alike, confident that the new life is pleasing to God and helpful to others. As members of the Church, we are emissaries of peace and seek the good of all people in cooperation with powers and authorities in politics, culture, and economics. We must resist pretensions and injustices when these same powers endanger human welfare. Our strength is in our confidence that God's purpose, rather than our schemes, will finally prevail.**

## Musical Reflection

### *By Our Love*

Sandra Bohlken and Whitney Sharp, duet

#### Verse 1

Brothers let us come together  
Walking in the Spirit  
There's much to be done  
We will come reaching  
Out from our comforts  
And they will know us by our love

#### Verse 2

Sisters we were made for kindness  
We can pierce the darkness  
As He shines through us  
We will come reaching  
With a song of healing  
And they will know us by our love

#### Chorus

The time is now  
Come church arise  
Love with His hands  
See with His eyes  
Bind it around you  
Let it never leave you  
And they will know us by our love

#### Verse 3

Children you are hope for justice  
Stand firm in the Truth now  
Set your hearts above  
You will be reaching  
Long after we're gone  
And they will know you by your love

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## In the Life of the Church

### 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

Come all you weary  
Come all you thirsty  
Come to the well that never runs dry  
Drink of the water  
Come and thirst no more

## Verse 2

Come all you sinners  
Come find His mercy  
Come to the table He will satisfy  
Taste of His goodness  
Find what you're looking for

39 For God so loved the world that He gave us His one and on - ly

44 Son to save us. Who - ev - er be - lieves in Him will live for - ev - er.

48 The pow'r of hell for - ev - er de - feat - ed. Now it is well, I'm

52 walk - ing in free - dom. For God so loved, God so loved the world. Praise

Chords: Dm7, Bb2(no3), F, C(4), Dm7, Bb2(no3) 2nd time to Coda

## 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

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\*Charge and Benediction

Today's Worship Team

Sandra Bohlken, piano & vocals ~ Charles Needham, bass ~ Lloyd Hartley, cajon  
Eva Quinley Lynch, LisaKay Matchen, Whitney Sharp, and Bruce Wilson, vocals

Ushers ~ Darrell Sparks and Peyton Houlihan  
A/V Team ~ Ken Ladrach, David Long, and Mason Warren

If you would like to sign up to be an usher, communion server or to read scripture please go to:  
<http://tinyurl.com/FPCVolunteerSignUp>



**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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Marilyn Felts, Dave & Megan Figel, Dean & Lucy Fleming,  
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## Fresh Look 2 Q&A

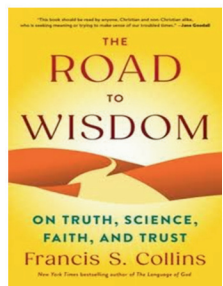
Join us today following both services for a Q&A regarding Fresh Look 2, the campaign to improve our sanctuary and narthex areas. The Session's prioritized list of projects will be reviewed, and opportunities for questions and comments will be provided.

They will take place at 10:00 in the narthex and 12:00 in the sanctuary.

## SPIRITUAL FORMATION

**Elemental** April 28 at 7pm  
Science & Faith at FPC

- Can science and faith help each other and serve society as robust ways of building trust, wisdom advancing the common good?
- Dr. Francis Collins led the National Institutes of Health and was co-director of the human genome project. Along the way, he moved from a position of atheism to that of humble and vibrant faith in Christ. Join us on Thursday, April 28 at 7:00 PM (Room A) as we discuss his newest book that has a lot to say to people of faith as well as skeptics.



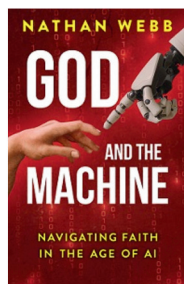
### NEXT WEEK

Next Sunday, May 3 we will worship together at one service at 10am for Fresh Look 2 Commitment Sunday. Bring your commitment cards to present during worship and then stay for a fun Cinco de Mayo themed Commitment Sunday Luncheon in the Fellowship Hall directly following worship. Let us know you're coming by signing up in the Narthex or by using the link <https://tinyurl.com/CommitmentSundayLunch> or the QR code

### Sunday morning Adult Classes at 10am




Soul Cafe now meets in Room A. 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 meets in the Library. Beginning May 10 we will start a study of the book God and the Machine by Nathan Webb. It's a study of artificial intelligence and how it relates to faith. As usual, you need not have read the book. However, if you'd like to read it, it can be found at Cokesbury.com or wherever books are sold.

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

 **Sign up in the Narthex to serve at the Volunteer Ministry Center on May 19.**

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

**Linda & Jim Scotthorn are coordinating the May 19 team.**

## CAM CABIN DONATIONS

SPRING has arrived, and we are organizing another trip to Townsend to take crafting supplies to CAM (Coalition of Appalachian Ministries) on May 20. Much appreciated are all sewing supplies and fabric, yarn, and even costume jewelry, if it is the type that can be incorporated into hand-made items. Also crafters have mentioned some special "wished-for" items: cotton for quilting and aprons, a great need for batting, denim, and yarn, especially cotton yarn. Used light bulbs are made into cute Snowmen and other Christmas decorations. Old and worn (even stained) tablecloths can be transformed into many useful items. Trims, such as ric rac and of course thread (black and white especially), and buttons are always on the wish list. The crafter who decorates glass jars is still doing it and uses even canning jars. For more information or to arrange a pick-up, call Debbie Long or Mikie Lancaster. Anyone wanting to ride along is most welcome: we always enjoy our lunch out!

**UT Contemporary Acappella**

The Sanctuary will be Rockin' on Sunday, May 03 at 6:00 p.m. with the annual free spring concert presented by the UT College of Music contemporary acappella groups for the benefit of our FPC community!

You'll hear such classics as:

Seven Bridges Road (The Eagles), Good Vibrations (The Beach Boys), jazz standard Autumn in New York, Dreams (Fleetwood Mac), Orange Colored Sky (Nat King Cole), Perfect (Ed Sheeran), Skyfall (James Bond), Birds of a Feather (Billie Ellish), Blame It on the Boogie (Jackson Five). There just may also be some UT songs you've heard a few times before!

So invite all your friends to come to FPC to hear covers of these popular songs and don't miss this opportunity to help our church community give a warm welcome to lots of visitors our special Music Ministry events bring into our beautiful worship space!



The next gathering will be May 2nd. Sign up in the Narthex.

The Menu

<u>Appetizer</u>	<u>Entree</u>
Authentic	Million Dollar
Mexican Shrimp	Chicken & Corn Souffle
Cocktail	
<u>Salad</u>	<u>Dessert</u>
Mandarin Orange Salad	Strawberry Shortcake

*This Week at FPC*

Sun, Apr 26

- 9am Casual Worship/Sanctuary
- 10am Fresh Look 2 Q&A/Narthex
- 10am Soul Cafe/Room A  
Pastor Matt's Class/Library
- 11am Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
- 12pm Fresh Look 2 Q&A/Sanctuary
- 12:15pm Nibbles in the Narthex
- 2pm TVP Rehearsal/FH, Room A, Narthex
- 6pm Fresh Look 2 Leadership Dinner/FH

Mon, Apr 27

- 10am Chair Yoga/Narthex
- 7pm Session/Library

Tues, Apr 28

- 10am PW Coordinating Team/Library
- 11am Prayer Shawl Ministry/Youth Rm
- 12:15pm Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
- 6:30pm CS Leaders #444/Library
- 7pm BS #444/FH, Room D, Narthex
- 7pm Science & Faith/Room A

Wed, Apr 29

- 12pm Parlor Reserved
- 12:15pm Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
- 3pm Library Reserved
- 6pm Casual Worship Music Rehearsal/Sanctuary
- 6pm TVP Rehearsal/FH, Room A, Narthex
- 7:30pm Chancel Choir/Room A

Thurs, Apr 30

- 4pm Bill Jones Homeschool Music Recital/Sanctuary
- 6:30pm Cub Scouts/FH, Narthex, Room A, Room D, Parlor

Fri, May 1

- 10am Chair Yoga/Narthex
- 7pm Gentle Yoga Class/Narthex

Sat, May 2

- 2pm TVP Rehearsal/FH, Room A, Narthex

**ONE SERVICE  
AT 10am  
NEXT SUNDAY  
MAY 3**



**CALLING ALL FPC GOLFERS**

Our FPC golf group meets Wednesdays at the Avalon Golf and Country Club. We play 9 holes starting at 4:30pm followed by dinner at the club. The golf is \$30 including the green's fees and cart.

Join us for fun and fellowship!

If you are interested in playing please RSVP to Wayne Walls.

**PET Outdoor Ministry Team wants to hear from you!**

Listening sessions about the past, present and future of John Knox Center will take place in person on May 31<sup>st</sup> here at FPC at 2:30pm

Contact the church office for other virtual or in person dates if you are not able to attend on May 31.

