

Easter Sunday

April 5, 2026



the good news is...

alive in the world

11:00 a.m.



This service is being recorded by video and audio means.

*We invite you to stand as able.

~ The Gathering ~

Prelude

Thine Is the Glory

arr. Stephen Walters

Tami Newsom, organ with brass ensemble

Greeting

Rev. Matthew Nieman

Introit

Christ is Risen, Alleluia

arr. Hamric

Chancel Choir

Call to Worship

On Friday, we thought the good news had been silenced.

On Friday, we thought the good news had taken its last breath.

On Friday, we thought the good news had been buried.

But today, we know the good news is alive and well.

The good news is dancing!

The good news is on the loose!

The good news is out in the world, calling your name!

Alleluia! Even death has lost its sting.

Let us worship our good-news Christ.

Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!
 Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
 Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
 Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
 Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia!
 Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
 Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
 Our salvation have procured, Alleluia!
 Now above the sky he's king, Alleluia!
 Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
 Praise eternal as God's love, Alleluia!
 Praise our God, ye heav'nly host, Alleluia!
 Father, Son and Holy Ghost, Alleluia! Amen!

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we want to be Easter people. We want to shout your good news from the rooftop. We want to follow the disciples who ran to look for you. We want to follow the angels, who said, "Be not afraid," but we are afraid. And we don't know where to look. And we are worried we'll say the wrong thing. So forgive us, for we are imperfect Easter people. We are best intentions and best laid plans. We are an out-of-tune chorus of "alleluias." We are on our way, but we are not there yet. Show us how to embody your good news in this world. Show us how to be your Easter people. With hope for tomorrow, we pray.

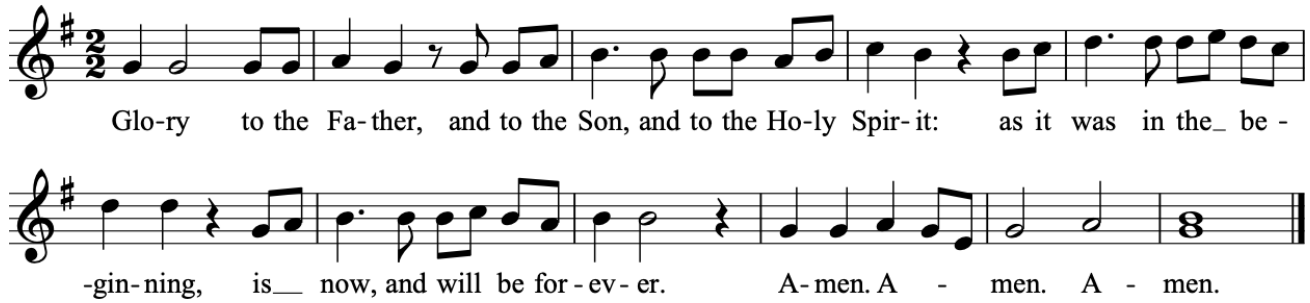
(please continue in silent prayer)

*Kyrie eleison #574

Johnson

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

*Declaration of Forgiveness



Glo-ry to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spir-it: as it was in the_ be -
 -gin-ning, is_ now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men. A - men. A - men.

*The Peace

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

~ The Word ~

Anthem

Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above
Chancel Choir and orchestra

arr. Lloyd Larson

Praise the Lord who reigns above and keeps his court below.
Praise the holy God of love and all his greatness show.
Come and praise God's noble deeds and praise His matchless power;
Praise God from whom all good proceeds, let earth and Heaven adore.

Celebrate the risen Christ with instruments of praise,
Timbrels soft and trumpets loud in grateful chorus raise!
Praise with every tuneful string, with dance and heavenly art;
Let melodies of praises ring with the music of the heart.

Alleluia, sing alleluia! Praise God's holy name; eternally the same.
Alleluia, sing alleluia with instrument and voice.
Alleluia, sing alleluia with heart and soul rejoice!
Lift your songs in praise, rejoice!

To God in whom we move and live, let all creation sing;
Glorify your Maker and give homage to the King!
Lord of all in life and death; in heaven and earth adored!
Praise your God with every breath; let all things praise the Lord!

Prayer for Illumination

Gary Heidinger

**Holy One, all over the world, people are gathering to hear the same story.
All over the world, people are gathering to hear how death lost its sting.
All over the world, people are gathering together, praying for a glimpse of you.
So like our neighbors all over the world, we pray, be here. Speak to us today.
Soften the calloused parts of our hearts until we can sense your Holy Spirit in our midst
once more. With eagerness and hope, we run to the tomb. We sing alleluia. We bow our
heads. We listen for you. Amen.**

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 118

Dr. Angela Batey, cantor

Hopson



This is the day that the lord has made; let us re- joice.



let us re- joice_____ and be glad in it.

Give thanks, give thanks to our gracious God, whose love endures forever;
The Lord, our strength and song shall be, from whom no fault can sever. **(R)**

Sing joyful songs of victory, both now and through eternity.
For God will leave us never, for God will leave us never. **(R)**

I shall not die, but I shall live, and sing God's grace with elation.
Though I deserve no more than death, God blesses me with salvation. **(R)**

The gate that should unyielding be is open wide to welcome me.
Give thanks and adoration, give thanks and adoration. **(R)**

Upon the stones the builders judged imperfect, weak, and tender.
Now rest the corners of God's house, still unsurpassed in splendor. **(R)**

This is the day the Lord has made; God is my sun, and God my shade.
Rejoice, your praise now render! Rejoice, your praise now render! **(R)**

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The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

~ The Response ~

Affirmation of Faith

Prayer by Rev. Sarah A. Speed | A Sanctified Art LLC | sanctifiedart.org

I believe in the good news of Jesus Christ. It sounds like welcome and feels like home. It sounds like laughter and feels like mercy. It sounds like love and feels like a seat at the table, so I believe in the good news of Jesus Christ. I have seen it alive in the world. And even when my heart aches, even when wars rage, even when mercy feels out of reach, I remember the one who welcomed the children and led with nonviolence. I remember the one who cared for the vulnerable and inspired those around him. I remember that the good news really is good news, for I have seen it alive in the world. Thanks be to God! Amen.

Anthem

Hail Thee, Festival Day
Chancel Choir and orchestra

Hopson

The anthem text may be found in The Hymnal, #120.

Please sing the refrain when indicated (seated):

**Hail thee, festival day! The day that is hallowed forever;
Day when the Lord arose, breaking the bonds of death.**

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.

~ The Eucharist ~

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

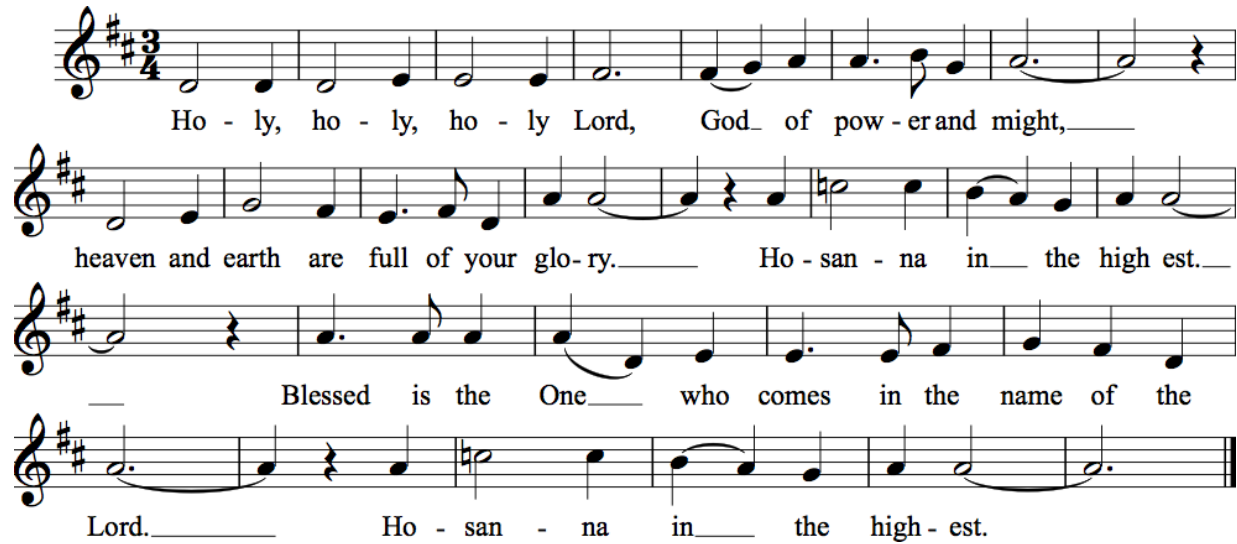
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(prayer continues)



Sanctus

Phillips



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, _____
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. _____ Ho - san - na in the high est. _____
_____ Blessed is the One _____ who comes in the name of the
Lord. _____ Ho - san - na in the high - est.

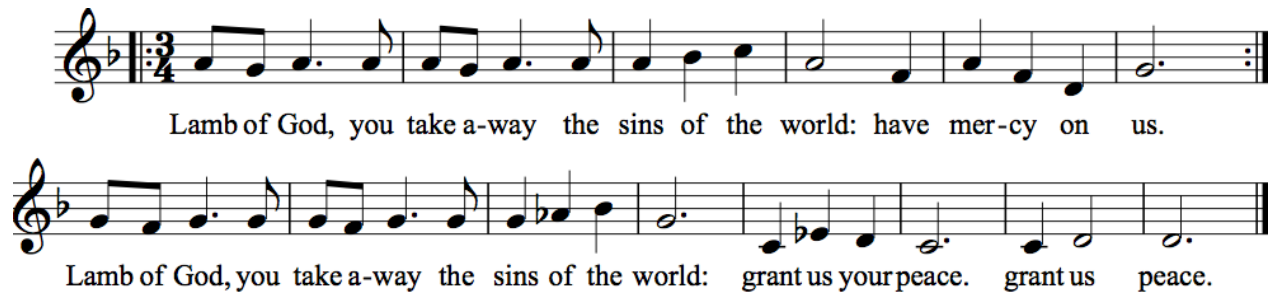
The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Words of Institution

Agnus Dei

Phillips



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have mer-cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: grant us your peace. grant us peace.

The Communion of the People

The Prayer after Communion



~ The Sending ~

*Recessional Hymn #104 *Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!* Hymn to Joy

*Benediction

*Response “Hallelujah Chorus” from *Messiah* G.F. Handel

**Hallelujah! For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth!
The kingdom of this world has become the kingdom of our Lord, and of his Christ!
For He shall reign forever and ever.**

*Postlude *Wir danken dir, Gott* Bach
Tami Newsom, organ

Communion Server ~ LisaKay Matchen
Usher ~ Thom Haig
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, or
- Sign the pew attendance pad.





Members

Bob Bowman, Pat Dail, Marilyn Felts, Dave & Megan Figel, Dean & Lucy Fleming, Frank Guess, Beth & Jimmy Loyless, Ann McAnally, Irma McGuffey, Maria Medina, Tami Newsom, Donna Phillips, Lewis Ransdell, Dawson Sweetland, John Thomason, Bruce Wilson

Join us for a special time of Fellowship after worship.

Coffee, Lemonade, and Nibbles in the Narthex!



Help provide Nibbles for our 11:00 worship fellowship time after the service!

Sign up in the Narthex or at <https://tinyurl.com/NarthexNibbles> or use the QR code



Pastor.....Rev. Matthew Nieman
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<http://tinyurl.com/FPCe-giving>

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Dedication of Easter Flowers

Fred & Jean Peretz in honor of Annie Peretz
Fred & Jean Peretz in memory of Ruth & Ray Peretz
Fred & Jean Peretz in memory of Charlsie & Luke Hays

Beth White in memory of Ivan Henry & Ruby Jo White
Beth White in memory of Noel & Mary Lib Flickinger
Beth White in memory of George White

Connie & John Begovich in memory of our parents, Charlie & Alice Norris and
Dorothy Begovich
Connie & John Begovich in honor of our children & grandchildren

Dawn & Steve Zilles in honor of our parents Dan & Shirley Greaser
Dawn & Steve Zilles in memory of our parents Helen & Paul Zilles and son Corey

The Eiffert Family in memory of Diane Egnot
The Eiffert Family in memory of our grandparents

Jan & Jerry Seiler in memory of Harry & Martha Moody
Jan & Jerry Seiler in memory Frank & Thelma Seiler

MaryAnne & Wayne Walls in honor of our children & grandchildren
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MaryAnne & Wayne Walls in honor of Matt & Laura Nieman
MaryAnne & Wayne Walls in honor of John & Whitney Sharp

Liz Preston in memory of John Preston

Bryan & Linda Nunley in memory of Howard & Sarah Sloan
Bryan & Linda Nunley in memory of Paul & Kathryn Nunley

Beth & Jerry Martin in memory of Judd Shaw
Beth & Jerry Martin in honor of Harper, Hadley, Frances & Sophia
Beth & Jerry Martin in memory of Bob & Peg McQuilkin
Beth & Jerry Martin in memory of Maurice & Libby Martin
Beth & Jerry Martin in memory of Inaya Howard

Karen Davis in memory of Marie Lowery
Karen Davis in memory of Flora Kennerly
Karen Davis in memory of Parnell Davis



Dr. Thom & Mary Ellen Haig in honor of Donna & Stewart Phillips
Dr. Thom & Mary Ellen Haig in honor of H.B. & Mary Galloway

David & Liz Gargan in memory of Rita Murray
David & Liz Gargan in honor of Leokadya Trotter

Pat & Howard Hickman in honor of our parents

Buddy & Linda Wert in memory of Jim & Elise Gillenwater
Buddy & Linda Wert in memory of Cline & Eleanor Wert

Tom & Sharon Koch in honor of The Nieman Family
Tom & Sharon Koch in memory of our parents
Tom & Sharon Koch in honor of our children & grandchildren

Carol & Greg Kraft in memory of our parents
Carol & Greg Kraft in memory of Carol's sister, Nancy

Jane & Larry Byars in memory of Jack & Jerry Duckett
Jane & Larry Byars in memory of Jack & Helen Byars
Jane & Larry Byars in memory of Mike Whitt
Jane & Larry Byars in memory of Angela Byars

Joyce & Kent Williams in memory of Robert & Rita Williams
Joyce & Kent Williams in memory of George & Helen Soules

Cheryl Cardwell in memory of Edith Hutchinson Jackson
Cheryl Cardwell in memory of David Hutchison Jr.

Catherine & David Manning in honor of Meredith (Manning), Marigold & Tucker Fritz
Catherine & David Manning in honor of Deacon Manning, Gus & Addison Leinart
Catherine & David Manning in honor of our FPC church family



This PC(USA) Special Offering will be collected on Easter Sunday to support outreach programs in over 100 countries.

Each gift to ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING helps improve the lives of the suffering and the vulnerable through three life-saving programs:
Presbyterian Disaster Assistance,
Presbyterian Hunger Program, and
Self-Development of People.

To learn more about how your gift makes a difference, visit pcusa.org/oghs.



EASTER EGG HUNT FOR KIDS TODAY AT 10AM MEET IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped make our Palm Sunday brunch a delicious and welcoming event!



Thank you to our March volunteers!
L to R: Catherine Manning, Margo Gregory, Sharon Koch, Beth Martin & Gayle Williams

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, April 21.



SPIRITUAL FORMATION

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. Starting April 12, Larry Byars will be teaching on the life of Joseph and the Old Testament.



SPIRITUAL FORMATION CONTINUED



Lunch and Learn

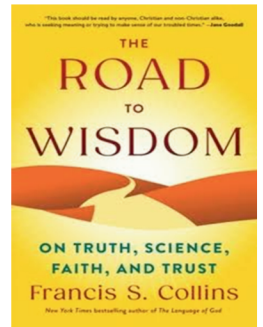
Please join us on the third Thursday of each month for a time of food, faith and fellowship. Our next gathering is Thursday, April 16, at 11:30am. The meal will be catered, and the cost is only \$10 per person at the event. You can sign up in the Narthex or at <https://tinyurl.com/FPCLunchandLearn>

Elemental

Science & Faith at FPC April 28 at 7pm

Science, Faith & The Big Questions at FPC

- Why do so many people have difficulty trusting in science, while many others struggle to find trust in the ways of faith? Are those things connected? What might be helpful?
- What is the role that politics currently plays (and should play) in science and faith?
- 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.



FAMILY MINISTRIES



All are invited to our Family Trivia Night! Come enjoy an evening of trivia for all ages, with a special “kids question” each round so everyone can play along. We’ll also share a potluck meal together, so bring a favorite dish. Be on the lookout for a sign-up link coming next week!

Saddle up for Faith Frontier this summer! As we “hit the trail with Jesus as our guide,” Each Sunday, kids will journey through Bible stories, activities, and hands-on fun that help them grow in faith. Stay tuned for more details and registration information!



COMMUNITY BOARD

Posies for the Pantry

Saturday April 18, 2026
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
(rain or shine)

Farragut Presbyterian Church
209 Jamestowne Blvd. ~ Farragut, TN 37934

SUPPORTING VENDORS INCLUDE:

- POPES at Meadow View
- Champion Daylilies
- Hummercarver
- Bound & Determined
- Erin's Meadow
- Rewine Cork Art
- Woodturning by Harry O
- Leedy's Garden by Karen
- Haus of Prints
- FPC Crafters
- Bargain Shed
- Free Crafts for Kids

& more!

proceeds benefit:



Riverside Coffee Shop -
Coffee with a Cause
will be selling coffee and
delicious food items!

COMMUNITY CHURCHES SUPPORTING THE PANTRY:

Faith Lutheran - Concord Methodist - Farragut Presbyterian - First Baptist Concord

CALLING ALL FPC GOLFERS

We will be starting our FPC golf group back up starting April 15 at the Avalon Golf and Country Club.

We play 9 holes on Wednesday evenings starting at 4:30 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.



THE UNIVERSITY OF
TENNESSEE
KNOXVILLE

Sunday, May 3, 6:00 p.m.

UT Contemporary Acappella

This annual concert at FPC features groups from the University of Tennessee singing original material and covers of popular songs. Bring all your friends and family for this FREE special outreach concert for our community!



foodies

The Menu

Appetizer

Authentic Shrimp Cocktail

Salad

Mandarin Orange Salad

Entree

Million Dollar Chicken over rice
& Corn Souffle

Dessert

Strawberry Shortcake

The Foodies is a fun fellowship event that meets quarterly in small groups of 6-8 people. Participants bring an assigned dish to pass from a designated menu.

We meet at the home of a designated host for a great dinner and fellowship.

The next gathering will be
May 2nd.

Sign up will be in the Narthex in the coming weeks

2026 PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Birthday Offering

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,

so that you may

abound in hope

by the power of the Holy Spirit."

—Romans 15:13*



Learn more about the Birthday Offering of Presbyterian Women by visiting presbyterianwomen.org/birthday.

Join the Presbyterian Women on Saturday, April 11 at 11:30am in the Fellowship Hall.

Please sign up in the Narthex
Lunch is \$15
The speaker is from Beardsley Community Farm in downtown Knoxville



**CAC BEARDSLEY
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Roane State Community College
presents

NEREDITH WILLSON'S THE MUSIC MAN

April 16-18 @ 7:00 PM
April 19 @ 2:00 PM

O'Brien Theatre
Harriman, TN

<https://our.show/rsccmusicman>

Come see and hear members Brenda Luggie, Krista Belding and Becky Thompson in Roane State's performance of The Music Man!

<https://www.onthestage.tickets/show/roane-state-community-college/6950746eadd4654ac80>

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Outdoor Worship

Starting Sunday, May 10, and going through September, we move our Casual Worship Service outside! (weather permitting)
Bring your camp chair or blanket and join us for worship in God's beautiful Creation.
Sundays at 9am in the church parking lot.

This Week at FPC

Sun, Apr 5

9am Casual Worship/Sanctuary
10am Easter Egg Hunt/Fellowship Hall & Playground
10am Soul Cafe/Room A
11am Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
12pm Nibbles in the Narthex

Mon, Apr 6

OFFICE CLOSED
10am Outreach Committee/Library

Tues, Apr 7

12:15pm Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
6:30pm Early-Onset Dementia Caregivers/Parlor
7pm BS #444/FH, Room A, Narthex

Wed, Apr 8

10am PW Circle #3
12pm Parlor Reserved
12:15pm Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
6pm Casual Worship Music Rehearsal/Room A

Thurs, Apr 9

8am Men's Bible Study/Narthex
9am Property Committee/Library
6:30pm Cub Scouts/FH, Narthex, Room A, Room D, Parlor

Fri, Apr 10

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

Sat, Apr 11

11:30am PW Birthday Luncheon/Fellowship Hall



He is Risen! Alleluia!

Happy Easter

