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LOVE AND LEARN

Farragut
Presbyterian
FPC Church

May 24, 2026
11:00 a.m.

~ The Gathering ~

Prelude

Fairest Lord Jesus
Tami Newsom, organ

Thallander

Greeting

Rev. Matt Nieman

Call to Worship

God sent forth the Spirit, and all creation rejoiced.
God's breath filled the skies, the sea, the land, and all creatures.

May the glory of the Lord endure forever!

Let us sing to the Lord as long as we have breath.

Bless the Lord, O my soul. Praise the Lord!

*Hymn #130

Let Every Christian Pray

Laudes Domini

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

God of new creation, we confess that we have failed to trust your bountiful goodness. By the power of the Holy Spirit you brought forth the earth and its creatures in abundance. Yet, we hoard earth's resources and refuse to share your gifts. We dishonor your generosity by withholding our charity to those in need. We betray your kindness by dealing harshly with our enemies. We disregard your compassion by severely judging the sins of others. Forgive us. By the power of your Spirit renew our hearts and free us from sins that we may enjoy the fullness of your blessing upon all creation.

(please continue in silent prayer)

*Kyrie eleison #574

Johnson

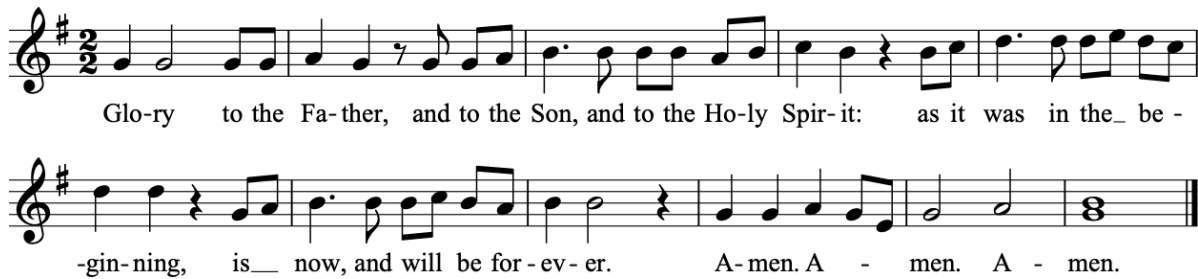


Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

*Declaration of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri #567

Weaver



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 ~

Prayer for Illumination

Brian Davison

Almighty God, by the power of your Holy Spirit, speak to us in the language of our hearts, that we may hear your Word with understanding and answer your call with confidence. Amen.

First Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

[Pew Bible pg. 174]

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalms 104

Dr. Angela Batey, cantor

Hopson



Lord, send out your Spir - it and re - new the face of the earth.

O Lord, how manifold are your works; in wisdom you have made them all.
The earth is full of your creation; bless the Lord, O my soul. **(R)**

All your creatures look to you to give them their food in due season.
You give it to them; they gather it. You open your hand and they are filled with good things. **(R)**

When you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.
You send forth your Spirit, and they are created, and so you renew the face of all the earth. **(R)**

May the Lord's glory endure for ever; may the Lord rejoice in all created works,
who touches the earth and it quakes, who touches the mountains and they smoke. **(R)**

I will sing to the Lord my whole life long; I will sing praise to God as long as I live,
May the thought of my heart be pleasing to God, for I rejoice in the Lord. **(R)**

Second Scripture Reading: Acts 2:1-8, 12-21

[Pew Bible pg. 119]

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Watch the Wind”

Rev. Matt Nieman

~ The Response ~

Affirmation of Faith - *from the Brief Statement of Faith*

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.

Anthem

O Spirit of the Living God
Chancel Choir

Dr. Blair Boyd

O Spirit of the living God, in all the fullness of your grace,
wherever human feet have trod, descend upon our fallen race.

Give tongues of fire and hearts of love to preach the reconciling word;
anoint with power from heaven above whenever gospel truth is heard.

Let darkness turn to radiant light, confusion vanish from your path;
those who are weak inspire with might; let mercy triumph over wrath!

O Spirit of our God, prepare the whole wide world the Lord to meet;
breath out new life, like morning air, till hearts of stone begin to beat.

Baptize the nations; far and near the triumph of the cross record;
till Christ in glory shall appear and every race declare him Lord!

Today's Chancel Choir anthem was composed by Dr. Blair Boyd, daughter-in-law of Becky and John Thomason. It was commissioned by Mars Hill Presbyterian Church in Athens, Tennessee, as part of their 200th Anniversary Celebration in 2023. The text for the piece was written by James Montgomery in 1823, the same year as Mars Hill's founding.

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 #126 *Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove* St. Agnes

*Benediction

*Response #315 *Every Time I Feel the Spirit* Pentecost

**Every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.
Yes, every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.**

*Postlude *We Will Glorify* Bock
Tami Newsom, organ

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

Pat Dail, Frank Dorman, Marilyn Felts, Dave & Megan Figel,
Dean & Lucy Fleming, Frank Guess, Beth & Jimmy Loyless,
Ann McAnally, Irma McGuffey, Maria Medina, Tami Newsom,
Linda Nunley, Donna Phillips, Jan & Jerry Seiler, John Thomason

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

CAM CABIN DONATIONS

Our trip to the CAM Cabin has been postponed to June 3.



We are still accepting craft supplies donations in the basket in the Narthex. 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: hymnals (from any denomination), 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!



Meals with a Mission
June 14

On June 14 we will pack chicken and rice meal bags for local food pantries.

We need your help funding this project!

On May 31 we will collect donations to fund the project during worship.



SPIRITUAL FORMATION

Sunday morning Adult Classes at 10am

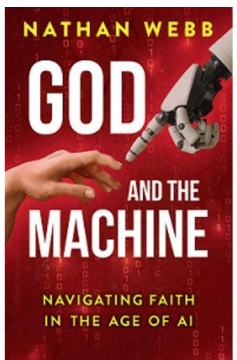
Soul Cafe now meets in Room A. John Sharp facilitates a lively, interactive experience around worship themes and content for the day. No lesson to prepare - come as you are!

Many thanks to our May VMC volunteers!

Jim & Linda Scothorn,
Jean Peretz, and
Nancy & Jack Rightmyer



Sign up to serve on the sign up sheet in the Narthex



Pastor Matt's class meets in the Library. We are doing 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.



FAMILY MINISTRIES



Our Summer KidsQuest program, Faith Frontier, is just around the corner, and we are currently **seeking volunteers** to help make this Summer's adventure possible! Whether you enjoy working directly with children, helping with activities, or supporting behind the scenes, we would love for you to join us "On the Trail with Jesus" this Summer. Sign up information can be found at



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050E4EAAAD2CA2F58-64097170-kidsquest>

Our Summer youth activities are quickly approaching, and we are currently seeking adult volunteers and chaperones to help support our students throughout the Summer. If you are interested in helping with trips, events, and fellowship opportunities, please see the sign up information at

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050E4EAAAD2CA2F58-64116501-2026>



FPC YOUTH SUMMER 2026

JUNE 7	YOUTH SUMMER KICKOFF CHALLENGE
JUNE 13-20	MONTREAT YOUTH CONFERENCE BOBS
JUNE 28	FPC YOUTH • THE MOVIES: SUPERGIRL
JULY 8	NO YOUTH
JULY 18	ESCAPE ROOM
JULY 14	SMYG • RIVER RAT TUBING
JULY 19	ONE KNOXVILLE SOCCER GAME
JULY 21	YOUTH SERVE • VMC
JULY 25	WHITE WATER RAFTING
AUGUST 2	SOAKY MOUNTAIN WATERPARK
AUGUST 9	NO YOUTH

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

This Week at FPC

- Sun, May 24**
 9am Casual Worship/Front Parking Lot
 10am Soul Cafe/Room A
 Pastor Matt's Class/Library
 11am Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
 12:15pm Nibbles in the Narthex
- Mon, May 25**
 MEMORIAL DAY
 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
- Tues, May 26**
 10am PW Coordinating Team/Library
 11am Prayer Shawl Ministry/Youth Room
 7pm BS #444/FH, Room A, Narthex
- Wed, May 27**
 12pm Parlor Reserved
 1pm PW Bible Study/Library
 6pm Casual Worship Music Rehearsal/Room A
 7:30pm Chancel Choir/Room A
- Thurs, May 28**
 8am Men's Bible Study/Narthex
 12pm Pastors Lunch/Library
 12:20pm Neighborhood Book Club/Youth Room
- Fri, May 29**
 10am Chair Yoga/Narthex
 7pm Gentle Yoga/Narthex

COMMUNITY BOARD



PET Outdoor Ministry Team wants to hear from you!

A listening session about the past, present and future of John Knox Center will take place in person on May 31st 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.

