



Farragut
Presbyterian
Church

September 18, 2022
11:00 am

~Luke 16:1-13



~The Gathering~

Prelude

Solemn March
Tami Newsom, organ

Henry Walford Davies

Greeting

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Rev. Matt Nieman

Call to Worship

Beloved children of God, in supplication and prayer, with intercessions and with thanksgiving,
we come to worship God.
In hope and in humility, with joy and with concerns,
we come to worship God.
In faith and in uncertainty, with questions and with conviction,
let us worship God.

Hymn #464

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Hymn to Joy

**Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the gloom of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.**

**All Thy works with joy surround Thee, Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in Thee.**

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**Mortals, join the happy chorus which the morning stars began;
Love divine is reigning o'er us, joining all in heaven's plan.
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife,
Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life.**

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Prayer of Confession

**Holy God, we confess that we are too concerned with our own peace.
We seek the comfort of silence, and ignore the cries of the oppressed.
We are inwardly focused, missing your call to serve the world in justice
and love.**

**Forgive us, O God. Equip us to fulfill your will for a world in which all know
dignity and all are treated with equity, as your beloved children.**

(please continue in silent prayer)

Kyrie Eleison

Restore in Us, O God

Re - store in us, O God, the splen - dor of your love; re -
new your im - age in our hearts, and all our sins re - move.

Declaration of Forgiveness

The Response

My Heart is Firmly Fixed

Stretch forth your migh - ty__ hand in__ an - swer to our prayer, and
let your own be - lov - ed ones your great sal - va - tion share.

The Peace

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

~The Word~

Anthem

Hail Thee, Festival Day
FPC Ringers

arr. Behnke

Prayer for Illumination

Peggy Stange

God our Savior, as we hear your Word send your Holy Spirit to be our teacher of faith and truth and show us how we are called to live; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Scripture Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 79

Dr. Angela Batey, cantor

Hopson



O God, come to our help_____ and save us._____

O God, the nations have invaded your land, they have profaned your holy temple. They have made Jerusalem a heap of ruins. They have handed over the bodies of your servants As food to feed the birds of heaven and the flesh of your faithful to the beasts of the earth. (R)

They have poured our blood like water in Jerusalem; no one is left to bury the dead. We have become the taunt of our neighbors, the mockery and scorn of those who surround us. How long, O Lord? Will you be angry for ever; how long will your anger burn like fire? (R)

Pour out your rage on the nations the nations that do not know you.
Pour out your rage on the kingdoms that do not call on your name.
For they have destroyed the family of Jacob and laid waste the land where they dwell. (R)

Do not blame us for the sins of our forebears. Let your compassion hasten to meet us;
We are left in the depths of distress. O God our savior, come to our help,
Come for the sake of the glory of your name. O Lord our God, forgive us our sins;
Rescue us for the sake of your name. (R)

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Second Scripture Readings: Luke 16:1-13

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

“Faithful in a Very Little”

Rev. Matt Nieman

~The Response~

The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art.
Thou my best thought, in the day and the night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word;
I ever with thee, and thou with me, Lord.
Thou my great Father, and I thy true son,
Thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight.
Be thou my armor and be thou my might:
Thou my soul's shelter, thou my high tow'r.
Raise thou me heav'nward, O pow'r of my pow'r.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise;
thou mine inheritance, through all my days:
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, when the battle is done:
Grant heaven's joys to me, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Christ of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Call for the Offering

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 #422

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

Beach Spring

**God, whose giving knows no ending, from Your rich and endless store,
Nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom, costly cross, grave's shattered door:
Gifted by You, we turn to You, offering up ourselves in praise;
Thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.**

**Skills and time are ours for pressing toward the goals of Christ, Your Son:
All at peace in health and freedom, races joined, the church made one.
Now direct our daily labor, lest we strive for self alone;
Born with talents, make us servants fit to answer at Your throne.**

**Treasure too You have entrusted, gain through powers Your grace conferred;
Ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the gospel Word.
Open wide our hands, in sharing, as we heed Christ's ageless call,
Healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving You by loving all.**

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Charge and Benediction

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?



If you would like the church office to record your attendance today, you can:

- 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@fpcn.org



YOU ARE INVITED!

Please join Gloria and Kirby Purjet in honoring Gloria's mother, Gloria Lay, with coffee and cake after the 9:00 worship service today as she celebrates her 102nd birthday!

WILD ENCOUNTERS – After a Summer in the frigid cold of North Castle, KidZone is headed somewhere a bit warmer! Join us as we embark on a “Wild Encounter!”

Utilizing the “Simply Loved” curriculum, children will discover what it means to be loved by God and how to share that love with others in their day-to-day lives! Bring the kids and grandkids ages 3-9 to FPC KidZone at 9 am on Sundays during the casual service for a wild time with new animal friends! Adult helpers and substitutes are always needed – please contact Mason Warren at masonwarren@fpcn.org for more information.



YOUTH AT FPC meet on Sunday nights at 6 pm in Room 10. This semester, we will be looking at “The Gospel According to Star Wars” in addition to the variety of games, trips, and other fellowship activities we have over the course of the school year! **TODAY WE WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE SMALL & MIGHTY BOARD GAME OLYMPICS** in the Fellowship Hall! Dinner will start at 5pm with games starting at 5:45 pm. Contact Mason Warren for more information at masonwarren@fpcn.org.

ROCKERS: Gloria Purjet has stepped down from coordinating the Daytime Rockers monthly lunch. If anyone is interested in volunteering to organize this event, please feel free to see Gloria for a contact list of participants. Thank you.

The **September VMC LUNCH** will be on Tuesday, September 20 and will be coordinated by Terry Olberding. If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Terry or sign-up in the narthex.

HELLO FOODIES!

The October Foodies will meet on Saturday, October 22nd. The menu will be: Stuffed Mushrooms, Grilled Pork Tenderloin, Rosemary Roasted Potatoes, Roasted Asparagus, and German Chocolate Cake. Look for the sign-up sheet in the narthex. If you have questions, please contact Pat Hickman.

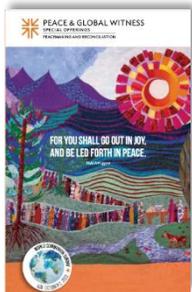


FAMILY PROMISE HOSTING WEEK OCTOBER 2-9:

The sign-up for the October 2-9 Family Promise hosting has been posted at westsideuuc.org. There are 3 guest families living at the extended stay motel this time, so we are asking for 3-\$30 gift cards per day for dinner. The cards may be for Krogers or for the dining places listed on the site: Cracker Barrell, McDonalds, Chick-Fil-A, Nixon's Deli, Monterrey Mexican, IHOP or Applebee's. The 3 cards should be for the same restaurant and put in an envelope clearly marked with the day the cards are to be used. Please drop them off at the church office by 9/27. Contact Beth Loyless for more information.



Presbyterian women are sponsoring a **POUND PARTY** now thru October 9 to help stock the Sunset Gap Food Pantry. Items most needed include: sugar, cooking oil, flour, cornmeal mix, pasta and pasta sauce. Donations can be left in the narthex basket. Any questions, contact Debbie Long.



A gift to the **PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING** enables our church to promote the Peace of Christ by addressing systems of conflict and injustice across the world. This offering is tied to World Communion Sunday on October 2. The Outreach Committee has designated Knoxville Family Justice Center, a local group supporting Peace and Global Witness, to receive 25% of the 2022 offering. Mid councils get 25% for ministries of peace and reconciliation. The remaining 50% is used by the Presbyterian Mission Agency to advocate for peace and justice in cultures of violence, including our own, through collaborative projects of education and Christian witness.

TO DONATE:

- Use an envelope provided at the church
- Send a check to FPC with *Peace and Global Witness* on the memo line
- Submit a gift through e-giving at www.fpctn.org

We are in need of coffee mugs at **RANDOM ACTS OF FLOWERS.**

We have an abundance of vases, so at this time we are only looking for coffee mugs. No corporate logos please. Please contact Linda Scothorn for more information.



CAM CABIN DONATIONS: It's that time again...we will be making a trip to the CAM Cabin in Wear's Valley at the end of October, so any craft items that you no longer need, can find a new home with a needy crafter. Items requested: fabric, thread, yarn, batting, buttons, costume jewelry, old license plates. Questions? Contact Debbie Long or Mikie Lancaster.

This Week at FPC

Sun, Sept 18	9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Sunday Worship		
Mon, Sept 19	9:00	a.m.	KidZone/Room 10
	5:00	p.m.	Youth Board Game Olympics /FH
Tues, Sept 20	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	7:00	p.m.	Church Life Committee/Room A
Wed, Sept 21	7:00	p.m.	Property Committee/Library
	11:30	a.m.	BFA Chapel and Music/Sanctuary
Thur, Sept 22	11:30	a.m.	Feed the Hungry /Volunteer Ministry Center
	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts #444/FH, Room A, Narthex
Fri, Sept 23	7:00	p.m.	Administration Committee/Library
	11:30	a.m.	BFA Chapel and Music/Sanctuary
Sat, Sept 24	2:00	p.m.	Grief Support Group/Library
	4:50	p.m.	FPC Fellowship Golf/Avalon Country Club
Sun, Sept 25	7:30	p.m.	FPC Chancel Choir/Sanctuary
	8:00	a.m.	Men's Bible Study/Narthex
Mon, Sept 26	12:00	p.m.	Pastors Lunch/Library
	6:30	p.m.	Cub Scouts/Fellowship Hall
Tue, Sept 27	7:00	p.m.	Thursday Night Bible Study/Zoom
	*****	****	PET Middle School Youth Retreat/John Knox
Wed, Sept 28	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	7:00	p.m.	Gentle Yoga/Narthex
Thu, Sept 29	*****	****	PET Middle School Youth Retreat/John Knox

Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.

Class	Room	Topic
Adult Bible Study	Outside or in the Parlor in bad weather	This class discusses the Lectionary text from the sermon, and still meets under the trees in good weather and in the parlor in bad weather.
Monday Connection	Zoom and Room A	This class is studying the book <i>Grateful: The Subversive Practice of Giving Thanks</i> by Diana Butler Bass. The study shows it is not impossible to imagine a society based on gratitude; it just takes courage, creativity & trust.
Pastor Matt's Class	Library	Currently, the study utilized by this class is based on the book <i>We Make the Road by Walking</i> by Brian D. McLaren. The book is a brilliant retelling of the Biblical story and a thrilling reintroduction to Christian faith.
Youth	Room 10	The youth Sunday School class meets to "DIVE IN to the Old Testament!" Each week throughout the 2022-2023 school year, youth explore a specific book of the Old Testament utilizing videos and discussion.



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