

## ~The Gathering~

Prelude

*Movement* Tami Newsom, organ

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Lord, You Bring Our Gift of Music Chancel Choir and Friends Weisse Flaggen

Rev. Matt Nieman

Call to Worship

We lift up our eyes to the hills; from where will our help come?

Our help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth. In praise and with thanksgiving, we gather as one body, with song and with prayer. The Lord will keep our going out and our coming in from this time and forevermore.

Come, let us worship God.

Hymn #264

When in Our Music God Is Glorified

Engelberg

When in our music God is glorified, and adoration leaves no room for pride, It is as though the whole creation cried: Alleluia!

How often, making music, we have found a new dimension in the world of sound, As worship moved us to a more profound Alleluia!

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#### So has the church, in liturgy and song, in faith and love, through centuries of wrong, Borne witness to the truth in every tongue: Alleluia!

#### Let every instrument be tuned for praise! Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise! And may God give us faith to sing always: Alleluia! Amen.

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#### **Prayer of Confession**

Grace-filled God, we confess that we pursue our own needs, neglecting the needs of others. We pursue our own desires, while slowly destroying the gifts of your creation. We deflect the call to ministry, ignoring the cries of those in need.

We are drawn to proclaim the gospel, yet live it out only at our convenience.

Have mercy on us, O God. Open our eyes to the truth of the gospel that, whatever the time or wherever we are, we may fully embody your love and justice for all the world. (please continue in silent prayer)

 Restore in Us, O God

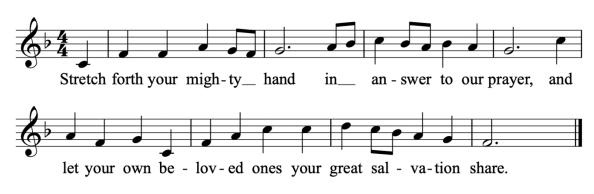
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**Declaration of Forgiveness** 

The Response

My Heart is Firmly Fixed



The Peace

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

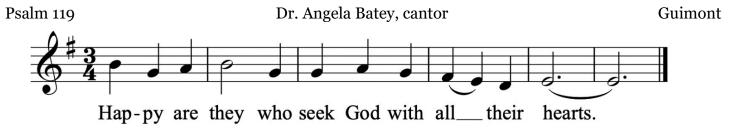
## ~The Word~

Gary Heidinger

Holy God, the words of Scripture are God-breathed words – inspired by you and given live through the power of your Holy Spirit. By your Spirit breathe your word into us so we become proficient in the language of faith and equipped to proclaim the message we receive, for the sake of Jesus Christ. Amen.

First Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 31:27-34 The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God.** 

Prayer for Illumination



They are happy whose life is blameless, who follow God's law! They are happy who do God's will, seeking God with all their hearts, **(R)** 

who never do anything evil but walk in God's ways. You have laid down your precepts to be obeyed with care. **(R)** 

May my footsteps be firm to obey your statutes. Then I shall not be put to shame as I heed your commands. **(R)** 

I will thank you with an upright heart as I learn your decrees. I will obey your statutes; do not forsake me. **(R)** 

Second Scripture Readings: Luke 18:1-8 The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

Sermon

"Pray for One Thing"

Rev. Matt Nieman

#### ~The Response~

Affirmation of Faith

The Church answers God with praise and prayer. Adoration is the joy of knowing God as Creator. Confession is standing with all people in need of forgiveness. Thanksgiving is rejoicing in God's goodness who meets our needs and who loves unfailingly. Petitions and intercessions are our desires placed before God for his goodness, healing and deliverance for people everywhere. The praise of God is enhanced whenever and however people look beyond themselves to God and the world which God loves. Please stand when indicated and join the choir in the final verse:

#### Come, lift your hearts on high; Alleluia! Amen! Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen! He is our Guide and Friend; to us He'll condescend; His love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!

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 #486

When the Morning Stars Together

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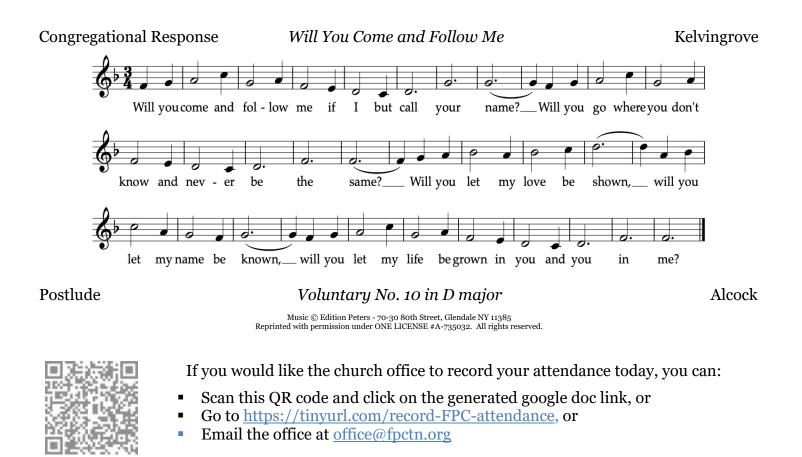
When the morning stars together their Creator's glory sang, And the angel host all shouted till with joy the heavens rang, Then Your wisdom and Your greatness their exultant music told, All the beauty and the splendor which Your mighty works unfold.

When in synagogue and temple voices raised the psalmists' songs, Offering the adoration which alone to You belongs, When the singers and the cymbals with the trumpet made accord, Glory filled the house of worship, and all knew Your presence, Lord.

Voice and instrument in union through the ages spoke Your praise, Plain-song, tuneful hymns, and anthems told Your faithful, gracious ways. Choir and orchestra and organ each a sacred offering brought, While, inspired by Your own Spirit, poet and composer wrought.

Lord, we bring our gift of music; touch our lips and fire our hearts, Teach our minds and train our senses, fit us for these sacred arts. Then with skill and consecration we would serve You, Lord, and give All our powers to glorify You, and in serving fully live.

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Today we celebrate our annual **Invite a Friend to Choir** day. We had a terrific rehearsal and fellowship on Wednesday. Both our Chancel Choir members and our guests are eager and ready to lead our music in worship and we have filled the choir loft with people of God who are bonded together through music.

We would like to invite anyone who is interested in our adult music ministry to join us in rehearsal next Wednesday night from 7:30-8:45 pm. The Music Ministry of Farragut Presbyterian is for ALL the people of God! Once again, the only pre-requisite for joining the choir is a DESIRE TO SERVE THE LORD THROUGH MUSIC! If you don't think you can sing, we challenge you to join us for one week. Listen closely today. Could God be calling you to this ministry?

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Next Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> we will have <u>ONE WORSHIP SERVICE</u> at 10:00 a.m. in the sanctuary followed by our <u>TAILGATE LUNCHEON</u> in the Fellowship Hall at 11:00 a.m. The Church Life Committee will provide: Fried Chicken – Dessert – and Drinks. Please bring your favorite tailgate dish to share (enough for 24 people) and wear your favorite team colors, shirts and hats! To make sure we order enough chicken, please fill out this form by October 16 and drop it off in the narthex basket, or email the office at <u>office@fpctn.org</u>. Don't forget to *SHOW YOUR TEAM SPIRIT* on 10/23!

Name:

Number attending: \_\_\_\_\_

**CAM CABIN DONATIONS:** It's that time again...we will be making a trip to the CAM Cabin in Wear's Valley, 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. <u>Final day to donate is TODAY, Oct. 16</u>. Questions or want to go along? Contact Debbie Long or Mikie Lancaster.

FALL-A-PALOOZA: Join us for "trunk or treat" and Halloween fun at our Fall-A-Palooza scheduled for Sunday October 30th from 5-7 pm in the FPC parking lot near Fellowship Hall. We're partnering with Faith Lutheran Church for this event and hope to pack the parking lot with decorated trunks, treats, and games for the kids. Our Fellowship Hall will also be filled with activities including a photo booth, spooky prizes, and hands-on fun. We've had a special request from parents this year

to focus on healthy and allergen free treats (no nuts), and/or to consider creative trunk games with prizes in lieu of candy (although either prizes or treats are fine). Please note the Farragut Harvest Fest will be going on from 2 – 6 pm in the Village Green Shopping Center, so we may get some later treaters (which is wonderful outreach). We need trunkers as well as treaters – so please RSVP to Jenny Trussell or Mason Warren at masonwarren@fpctn.org if you plan on volunteering to set up a trunk or plan on attending.



Chat with Matt October 30 and November 6 at 10am in Fellowship Hall

If you would like to know more about FPC, our Presbyterian beliefs, ministries, committees, and activities, then consider attending these informative classes with Pastor Matt. Curious members and anyone thinking about joining our church family are encouraged to attend. Presbyterian Women will be having a **THANK OFFERING LUNCHEON** on Saturday, November 5 at 11:30 a.m. Tickets for the luncheon will be sold after both services on October 16, 23 and 30 at \$15 each. Our speaker will be Rachel Penmore and some students from UKirk, the University of Tennessee Presbyteriansponsored center.

If you have any questions, please contact Beth White at 865-966-1121 or <u>bwhite6@msn.com</u>.

What does the Bible say about marriage, parenting, and all the other things that keep us up at night? Join other young couples and parents in this **GROWING FAMILIES SMALL GROUP** led by Jeanie & Hal Oakley as they come together to discern what it means to be a faithful follower in a season of life full of change. This group meets on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month at 10 am in room 5 unless otherwise noted.



We are in need of coffee mugs at **<u>RANDOM ACTS OF FLOWERS</u>**. 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.

KARM would like to "Cover the Endzone with 10,000 Coats" for their **2022 COATS FOR THE COLD** campaign. If you would like to donate a gently-used coat for distribution to help those in need stay warm this winter, drop them off at any KARM store or Prestige Cleaners location between October 17 and November 12. Coats will be cleaned and distributed between 11/14 and 12/10 at all KARM store locations. Rev. John Mark Brown, Director of **FAMILY PROMISE**, has announced that the in-person hosting of guest families by congregations will be delayed until April 2, 2023 due to individual congregations requesting more time for training and recruitment of volunteers. Right now, only half the 2023 dates have been spoken for. Westside/FPC have signed up for 3 weeks. I hope you will consider attending a training session at the day center on November 7 or December 5 at 4:00 pm. We can probably request a session at Farragut Presbyterian if there is enough interest. There is also online training available at the following site: <a href="https://family-promise.coassemble.com/unlock/yytVdB">https://family-promise.coassemble.com/unlock/yytVdB</a>. Contact Beth Loyless for more information.

**MOBILE MEALS** is experiencing a shortage of volunteers this Fall. Home-delivered meals help the very old and frail continue to live independently in their own homes. Until several years ago, the Mobile Meals program was only able to serve those in the direst need. Thanks to community support, the program is now trying to reach older adults before they get into a medical crisis, allowing them to remain independent in their own homes longer. The program needs more volunteers to deliver meals to homebound clients every Monday – Friday. If you can take a route in the coming days or weeks, please let Irene or David Rice know.



Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) urges your support this hurricane season. In the wake of catastrophic impacts from Hurricane lan, recovery is ongoing in places hit by Hurricane Fiona, including Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic and Cuba. Storms are becoming more frequent and more severe, and this early in the hurricane season we must prepare for these broad and anticipated catastrophes that have not yet formed. Give today to enable our response, from emergency needs through the long-term recovery phase.

Years of recovery lie ahead, and your commitment will help PDA extend the hands of Christ. Will you stand in the "GAP" for the people affected by these catastrophic hurricanes? — **Give. Act. Pray.** 

GIVE: PDA's emergency response and specialization in long-term recovery is fueled by your generous gifts. Gifts can be made online at pcusa.org/GIVE-HURRICANES, by phone at (800) 872-3283, or by check made payable to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) with "DR000194" written on the memo line and mailed to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700



- ACT: Assemble Gift of the Heart kits for survivors in the affected areas hygiene kits and cleanup buckets are especially needed. For more information, go to pcusa.info/heart.
- PRAY: We ask for sustaining courage for those who are suffering; wisdom and diligence among agencies and individuals assessing damage and directing relief efforts; and for generosity to flow as powerfully as rivers and streams.

○ \$500 ○ \$125 ○ \$50 ○ \$25 ○ Other \$\_\_\_\_\_
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Please detach the reply form and return it with your gift to your church; or enclose it in an envelope with your check and mail it to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700.

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# Give. Act. Pray.

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is ready to help victims of Hurricane Ian.

How can you help?

# Give. Act. Pray.

Read this article to see the many ways you can help and how your gifts will aid in relief efforts to those who are suffering.

# Give. Act. Pray.



## This Week at FPC

Sun, Oct 16	9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Sunday Worship		
	9:00	a.m.	KidZone/Room 10
	5:00	p.m.	Small & Mighty Youth Group/Top Golf
Mon, Oct 17	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	7:00	p.m.	Property Committee/Library
	7:00	p.m.	Church Life Committee/Room A
Tues, Oct 18	11:30	a.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
	7:00	p.m.	Administration Committee/Library
	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts #444/FH, Narthex, Rm A
Wed, Oct 19	11:30	a.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
	4:50	p.m.	FPC Fellowship Golf/Avalon Country Club
	7:30	p.m.	Chancel Choir/Sanctuary
Thur, Oct 20	6:30	p.m.	Cub Scouts/Fellowship Hall
	7:00	p.m.	Thursday Night Bible Study/Zoom
Fri, Oct 21	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	6:00	p.m.	UT Concert Choir Retreat/Fellowship Hall
	7:00	p.m.	Gentle Yoga/Narthex
Sat, Oct 22	6:00	p.m.	Foodies

## Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.

Class	Room	Торіс
Adult Bible	Outside or in the	This class discusses the Lectionary text from the
Study	Parlor in bad weather	sermon, and still meets under the trees in good weather and in the parlor in bad weather.
Monday	Zoom and	This class is studying the book <i>Grateful: The</i>
Connection	Room A	Subversive Practice of Giving Thanks 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	Library	Currently, the study utilized by this class is based
Class		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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