



## Welcome to Worship!

We are glad to have you here. Be sure to grab a cup of coffee with your bulletin.

\*indicates standing, if able.

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### ~We Gather~



Welcome

Rev. Matt Nieman

Prelude

Musical Ensemble

#### \*Call to Worship

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

**Let us offer God thanks and praise.**

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

**To God be honor and glory forever.**

Come, let us worship and sing God's praises.

#### \*Opening Songs

*Lord, I Lift Your Name on High  
and  
Give Thanks*

(See following pages for music and lyrics)

# Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

♩=86

**VERSE**

G C/G D/G C/G G C/G

Lord, I lift Your name \_ on high; Lord, I love to sing \_ Your

4 D/G C/G G C/G D/G C/G G C/G

prais - es. \_ I'm so glad You're in \_ my life; I'm so glad You came \_ to

**CHORUS**

8 D D<sup>SUS</sup> D C G C D C/D

save \_ us. \_ You came from heav - en to earth \_ to show the way, .

11 G C D C G C

\_ from the earth \_ to the cross \_ my debt to pay; \_ From the cross \_ to the grave, .

14 D Em<sup>7</sup> Am<sup>7</sup> D G

\_ from the grave \_ to the sky; \_ Lord, I lift Your name \_ on high.



# Give Thanks

♩=80



**CHORUS**

Am/C

F

C/E

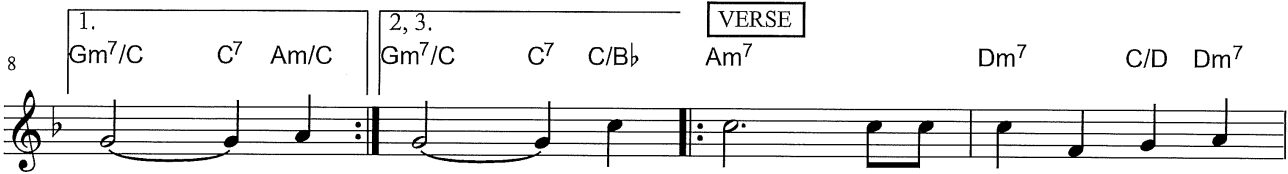
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Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, - give thanks to the



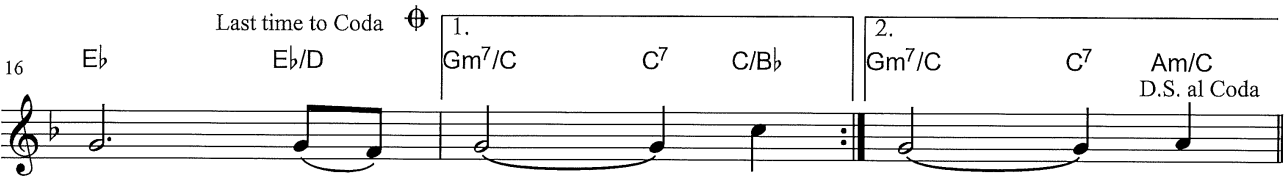
Ho - ly One; - Give thanks - - be-cause He's giv - en Je - sus Christ, - - His



Son. - - Give Son. - - And now let the weak say, "I am



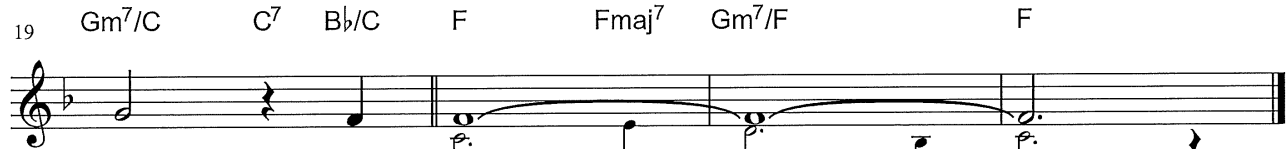
strong," let the poor say, "I am rich" be-cause of what the Lord has



done for - - us; - - And us. - - Give

Last time to Coda

**ENDING**



us. Give thanks. - -

\*Prayer of Confession

**Generous God, you give beyond measure, bringing forth abundance day by day.  
We confess our failure to acknowledge your goodness.  
We confuse our efforts with your providence.  
We conflate our deeds with your gifts.**

**Forgive our sins. Grow in us thankful hearts, ready to praise your faithfulness.  
Form in us grateful spirits, quick to trust in your gracious care;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

*(please continue in silent prayer)*

\*Declaration of Forgiveness

\*The Peace

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

**~We Proclaim~**

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings: Psalm 100  
John 6:25-35

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

Sermon

“Better Ingredients”

Rev. Matt Nieman

**~We Respond~**

Affirmation of Faith

**In our living and in our dying, in our joy and in our sorrow, in our wholeness and in our brokenness, we are thankful. We are grateful that God feeds us with plenty—especially when we cannot feed ourselves. We are fed by the Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ, who tends to us with empathy, sincerity, devotion, and kindness. With the powerful hand and wisdom of a mighty king, Jesus also loves with the tenderness of the most loving parent. We need not worry: we are safe in his loving embrace.**

Musical Reflection

*My Liberty*  
Musical Ensemble

Smith/Armstrong/Williams

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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.**

# ~ We Go Out Into the World ~

\*Hymn #391

## *This is the Day*

Les Garrett

E $\flat$  B $\flat$ <sup>6</sup> B $\flat$ <sup>7</sup>



This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made, that the

4 B $\flat$ <sup>6</sup> B $\flat$ <sup>7</sup> A $\flat$ <sup>6</sup>/E $\flat$  E $\flat$



Lord hath made; We will re-joice, we will re-joice and be glad in it, and be

8 A $\flat$ <sup>6</sup>/E $\flat$  E $\flat$  A $\flat$  E $\flat$  A $\flat$



glad in it. This is the day that the Lord hath \_ made; We will re-joice and be

12 E $\flat$ /B $\flat$  B $\flat$ <sup>7sus</sup> B $\flat$ <sup>7</sup> E $\flat$



glad in it. This is the day,

14 E $\flat$ /B $\flat$  B $\flat$ <sup>7</sup> E $\flat$



this is the day that the Lord hath made.

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### \*Charge and Benediction



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@fpctn.org](mailto:office@fpctn.org)

### **Special thanks to our musical ensemble today:**

Tim Mashue, bass guitar with special guests Renée Stone, vocals ~ Jim Lang, guitar/vocals



We will have a **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** today immediately following worship to elect new elders for the Class of 2025. Please plan on attending this brief meeting.

The Nominating Committee wishes to place the following elder candidates into nomination at the Congregational Meeting today, November 20, 2022. Upon election, they will serve a three-year term on Farragut Presbyterian's Session. The Committee that each candidate will co-chair is in parenthesis beside his or her name. We believe they make up an excellent Class of 2025, and we encourage you to give each one your prayers, support and vote.

Respectfully submitted by the Nominating Committee:

Jane Bolus (moderator), Krista Belding, Jeff Gary  
Scott McKinney, Kirby Purjet, Becky Thomason



**Kathy Emmerson (Administration)**

My husband, Dale, and I both grew up in Watseka, Illinois, a small farming community in central Illinois. I graduated from Northern Illinois University and worked in the insurance brokerage industry in Chicago for 42 years. I have been a member of various Boards of Directors including the Illinois Chamber of Commerce, an all-women's high school in Chicago, and several insurance related organizations. Dale and I have no children, but sponsored two children from Albania in the late 1990's. In April of 2020, we moved from the Chicago suburbs to Lenoir City. I am currently on the finance committee of our homeowner's association. In December 2020, I became a member of Farragut Presbyterian Church after having attended services, participated in one of the women's circles and the FPC golf group. Since joining FPC, I have become the assistant to our circle leader, become a member of the Presbyterian Women's Coordinating team, served lunches at Volunteer Ministry Center, and continued to be active with the FPC golf group. I feel blessed to have found and become a member of the FPC family and for the numerous opportunities to serve.



**Beth Honey (Christian Education)**

I was born and raised in Maryville, TN. I met my husband Matt at the University of Tennessee. After I completed nursing school at Tennessee Wesleyan University, I first worked as a hospital nurse, and then for several years in hospice. I went to graduate school at Carson-Newman and have been working as a nurse practitioner in primary care since 2020. We have two sons, Adam (4), and Dean (almost 2). We love watching football, playing board games, and working our way through interesting cookbooks. I grew up at Monte Vista Baptist Church where I was baptized at the age of 12. I have been involved at Farragut Presbyterian since 2018. We joined as members in 2021, and Matt, Adam, and Dean were baptized together that year. I am involved in the Christian Education committee and in the various aspects of FPC's family ministries and love working with kids and helping plan fellowship events. I am excited to serve on session to continue the mission and growth of this wonderful faith community.



**Bill Nelson (Outreach)**

I grew up in Memphis as the son of two schoolteachers. After high school graduation I enrolled and graduated from the University of Tennessee with a degree in Electrical Engineering. After spending a year in the oil field, I was employed by TVA in 1976. I was first married in 1978 and we had three sons. At TVA, I designed, constructed, tested and started up power generation facilities. These facilities were powered by coal, natural gas, nuclear and solar cells. I spent a lot of time working 7 days a week and traveling to TVA's sites. After I retired from TVA in 1989, we left Knoxville and I took a more sensible job in Greenville, SC. I worked for various engineering and construction companies and for myself. I have retired as the Corporate Director of International Operations for the Power Business Unit of Kellogg Brown and Root. During my career there I traveled the world building power plants on 5 continents. The combined costs of the EPC facilities exceeds 8.6 billion dollars. I met and married Helen Nalley in 2006. We met through friends of the power business. We have six children between us, and all of

our children live in the Southeast. Helen and I have been coming to FPC for 2 ½ years and we love it here. I truly love the 11 AM worship service. It has allowed me to grow my faith. I enjoy being involved in the Outreach Committee.



### **Jeff Thode (Church Life)**

Originally from Wayne NJ, I moved to Atlanta after graduating from college in 1984 and worked as an engineer for Lockheed Georgia company. In 1987,

I decided to change careers and become an investment advisor and have been one ever since. After marrying my first wife, we moved to Knoxville in 1989 to start and raise a family. I found Knoxville to be a wonderful place to raise a family, so I poured myself into the community by serving it through various leadership roles on charitable boards including Big Brothers and Big Sisters, the American Heart Association, Farragut High School Education Foundation and UT Medical Center NICU capital campaign where the girls were born. While initially attending Sequoia Hills Presbyterian Church when we first moved to Knoxville, after having children we found a real home at Farragut Presbyterian, joining in 2001. I have three girls through my first marriage who have all been involved with

Farragut Presbyterian in one way or another. In 2008 I remarried to Ms. Kelly Shreve. While I have been involved with the youth group over the years in different capacities, both Kelly and I have participated in mission trips and youth activities with the church. I think the biggest impact I've gotten by being a member of this church, is how much we are all loved by God, and I continue to applaud the leadership at the church by constantly sending that message, to not only the members but the youth as well. I was asked to be an elder years ago at the church and I look forward to serving the session again.



### **Gayle Williams (Church Life)**

I was born in Monroe, Louisiana and attended North Monroe Baptist church all of my young life. My parents were charter members and our family was very involved in the church. I married my college sweetheart, Mark Williams in Knoxville, Tennessee in 1976. I received my BA and Mark received his PhD at the University of Tennessee and we were married on UT campus in a chapel there. After graduation I worked at the University of Tennessee in Personnel and the Treasurers office as a counselor. Mark and I moved to Baton Rouge, LA to be near our family in 1983 where he worked at Louisiana State University. As the wife of the Director of the Nuclear Engineering Department, students have always played a big part in my life.

I worked as a substitute teacher throughout my children's education. We attended First United Methodist Church and I taught 3rd grade Sunday School and served as Director of Bible school. We moved back to Knoxville in 2003 where Mark returned to ORNL after retiring from LSU. Mark passed away in 2018 of cancer and I began a new life. I knew it was time to find a church I loved like my hometown church and it was time to give back to my community and the University I loved! I established the Mark Lane Williams Scholarship endowment fund and opened a group study room in his honor at the new Zeanah Engineering Complex. After joining Farragut Presbyterian Church, I have been involved in the Presbyterian Women's organization where I serve on the PW Coordinating Team, responsible for Christian Community Action and attend Circle 1. I also serve on the Stewardship committee. FPC has opened doors in my life and has taken me to new places from the mission of helping the Sunset Gap community among others. The FPC church community has become my family and Pastor Nieman has brought me closer to God and strengthened my Christian faith. I look forward to serving as an elder on the Church Life committee.

### **The Candidates for the 2023 Nominating Committee are:**

Kirby Purjet (moderator), Darrell Sparks (vice moderator)  
Krista Belding, Becky Dangel, Betsy Hopson  
Scott McKinney, Nancy Pevey



### **Today is the day!**

At 3:00 p.m. we are very excited to present our annual **Christmas Festival!** This year our own Chancel Choir will partner with the Chamber Singers of the University of Tennessee to present Handel's *Messiah*, Part the First. You won't want to miss this exciting event which always fills our chancel with the glorious sounds of the season.

Be sure to come early to get a good seat!

## **HOLIDAY PARTY AND GIFT STEAL**

Join us for an evening of fun and festivity on Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6-9 pm at the Trussells. This adults night out event is for all singles and couples, but please RSVP so we know how many are attending. The attire is casual, bring a dish to share (anything goes), and **DON'T FORGET** – bring a wrapped unisex gift (approximately value \$10 - \$20) per person for the gift steal. Please RSVP to Jenny Trussell at [cedarstudios4@gmail.com](mailto:cedarstudios4@gmail.com) who will provide an address and directions.

## **CHRISTMAS MOVIE NIGHT**

Bring the little ones in their pajamas and join us for *Mickey's Once Upon a Christmas* at our Christmas movie night event on Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup> from 3 – 5 pm. We'll have a series of shorter films and wonderful Christmas activities for children ages preschool – 5<sup>th</sup> grade. We understand Santa will make an appearance with photo opportunities on the Polar Express! Please RSVP to Mason Warren at [masonwarren@fpctn.org](mailto:masonwarren@fpctn.org).

Thanks to our volunteers who helped feed the homeless at VMC earlier this month: Kent & Joyce Williams, Greg & Carol Kraft, and Jean Peretz. The **VMC LUNCHEON** for Tuesday, December 20<sup>th</sup> is being coordinated by Carol Kraft. Look for a sign-up sheet on the narthex table. We are in need of a VMC Meal Coordinator effective January 1<sup>st</sup>. Gloria Purjet has stepped down after several years of outstanding service and we need to find her replacement. The position involves informing FPC membership of the need for monthly assistance and scheduling volunteer coordinators each month to recruit servers. This is a very worthwhile and rewarding opportunity to serve those in need. If you have any questions, please contact Kirk Morris or Jean Peretz.



**It's not too late to pledge!** The consecration theme this year is **“Taking Care of Each Other, Our Church, Our Community.”** If you would like to indicate your pledge for 2023, please fill out an estimate of giving card found throughout the church, or use this QR code to pledge electronically. We hope to successfully wrap up this stewardship campaign within the next week or so.



**SUNSET GAP CHRISTMAS:** We are sponsoring 40 children this year and have both on-site sign-ups in the narthex, and online sign-ups at: <https://tinyurl.com/SunsetGapChristmas2022>. The deadline to return your wrapped gifts will be Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>. Grab a tag and sign-up on the narthex board, or go to the link above to get started! Let's embrace God's love and give less fortunate children a wonderful Christmas!

Please join Presbyterian Women as they **COLLECT WINTER HATS, SCARVES, AND GLOVES/MITTENS**. The items will be available to anyone who needs them November through February at no charge. Deadline to donate is Sunday, Dec 4<sup>th</sup>.

**REMEMBERING OUR MISSION WORKERS:** Mailing Christmas cards each year shows our mission workers in a small, but very real way, our interest and commitment to them. Cards need to be mailed as soon as possible. 1 USA Global Forever stamp (\$1.40) will cover the postage, or you can use 3 regular first class postage stamps and mark Air Mail on the envelope. Addresses are:

**Mark Hare and Jenny Bent (Keila & Annika)**  
c/o Mauricio Chacon-UBL  
APDO 901-1000  
San Jose  
Costa Rica

**Cobbie and Dessa Palm**  
c/o Divinity House  
14 Mack Street, Bantayan  
Dumaguete City 6200  
Philippines



**EVENING ROCKERS** are coming back! Finally! The first dining out will be at Connor's Steak House on December 2, 2022. A sign-up sheet is in the narthex. Questions? Call Irene Rice at 865-675-4804.

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### *Service of Lessons and Carols*

On **Sunday, December 04 at 6:00 p.m.** we will participate in our TWENTY-FIFTH annual **Service of Lessons and Carols** in the sanctuary. The Service of Lessons and Carols is a traditional seasonal service of scripture and music. It is a very special and intimate service celebrating the true meaning of the season. We will also have a **Holiday Dinner** at 4:30 pm in Fellowship Hall prior to the service. RSVP at: <https://tinyurl.com/FPCHolidayMeal2022>.

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**SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY** will be distributing December food bags again this holiday season to those less fortunate, and ask if we can contribute specific items for the meals. They need Boxed Potatoes (mashed or au gratin), Cake Mix & Icing and Stuffing Mix. Collection will run through December 10 and items can be placed on a table in Room A. *Thank you for your support!*

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**FAMILY PROMISE** has announced that the in-person hosting of guest families by congregations will be delayed until April 2, 2023. Westside/FPC have signed up for 3 weeks in 2023. I hope you will consider attending a training session at the day center on December 5 at 4:00 pm. There is also online training available at the following site: <https://family-promise.coassemble.com/unlock/yvtVdB>. Contact Beth Loyless for more information.

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### **PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY:**

Candice Blake, Lois Burris, Patricia Dail, Barbara Emery, Chuck Foriska, Susan Harbin, Sandi Keagy, Bron Lewis, Mike and Janet Murphy, Tami Newsom, Larry Roberts, Jerry Seiler, Nancy Signer, Steve Tinder, Helen Weaver, George White, Kent Williams



**HAPPY**  
*Thanksgiving!*

The Church office will close at 12 noon on Wednesday, Nov.23 for the Thanksgiving weekend and will reopen on Monday, November 28.

Have a WONDERFUL and safe Thanksgiving Holiday!

## This Week at FPC

Sun, Nov 20	9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Sunday Worship		
Mon, Nov 21	9:00	a.m.	KidZone/Room 10
	3:00	p.m.	<b>FPC Christmas Festival</b> /Sanctuary
	5:00	p.m.	<b>Small &amp; Mighty Youth Friendsgiving</b> /FH
	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	6:15	p.m.	STEM Scouts/Fellowship Hall
Tues, Nov 22	7:00	p.m.	Property Committee/Zoom
	7:00	p.m.	Administration Committee/Library
	11:30	a.m.	Big Fish Chapel/sanctuary
Wed, Nov 23	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts #444/FH, Narthex, Room A
	7:00	p.m.	Cub Scout Leaders #444/Library
Thur, Nov 24	****	****	Big Fish Closed/Thanksgiving break
	****	****	<b>Church Office closes at 12 noon</b>
Fri, Nov 25	****	****	Big Fish Closed/Thanksgiving break
	****	****	<b>Church Office Closed</b> /Happy Thanksgiving
	****	****	Big Fish Closed/Thanksgiving break
	****	****	<b>Church Office Closed</b> /Thanksgiving break

### 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	Starting 12/4, this group will discuss the book <i>Everything Happens for a Reason: And Other Lies I've Loved</i> , an autobiography by Kate Bowler who is facing cancer and the prospect of her own mortality.
Intergenerational Advent Study for Adults and Youth	Library	Starting Sunday, 11/27 thru Sunday, 12/18 youth and adults are invited to join together to study "The Heart That Grew Three Sizes: Finding Faith in the Story of <i>The Grinch</i> ." Contact Mason Warren for more information at <a href="mailto:masonwarren@fpcn.org">masonwarren@fpcn.org</a> .



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### Church Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday 9am-3pm; Friday 9am-1pm

