LOVE AND LEARN

Sunday
September 14, 2025
9:00 a.m.

Farragut Presbyterian Church

209 Jamestowne Blvd.
Farragut, TN 37934
865/966-9547
www.fpctn.org

This service is being recorded by video and audio means.

BabySteps (Nursery) is available for infants to children 2 years of age

Kids ages 3-4 meet in Room D prior to the beginning of Worship for KidsQuest

K-5th Graders will be dismissed to KidsQuest during Worship

~ We Gather ~

Prelude — *Greater Things*
Worship Team

CCLI Song # 7166189 Jeremy Riddle | Kathryn Scott | Paul Arend | Tayla Rede
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Call to Worship

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance,
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.
Though the strong wind of judgment blows, all is not ended.
God will renew stubborn hearts and soften stiff necks,
for Jesus welcomed sinners and ate with them,
so we boldly come to make an offering of worship to the God of mercy,
who seeks and saves the lost.
Let us rejoice in the grace of our Lord!

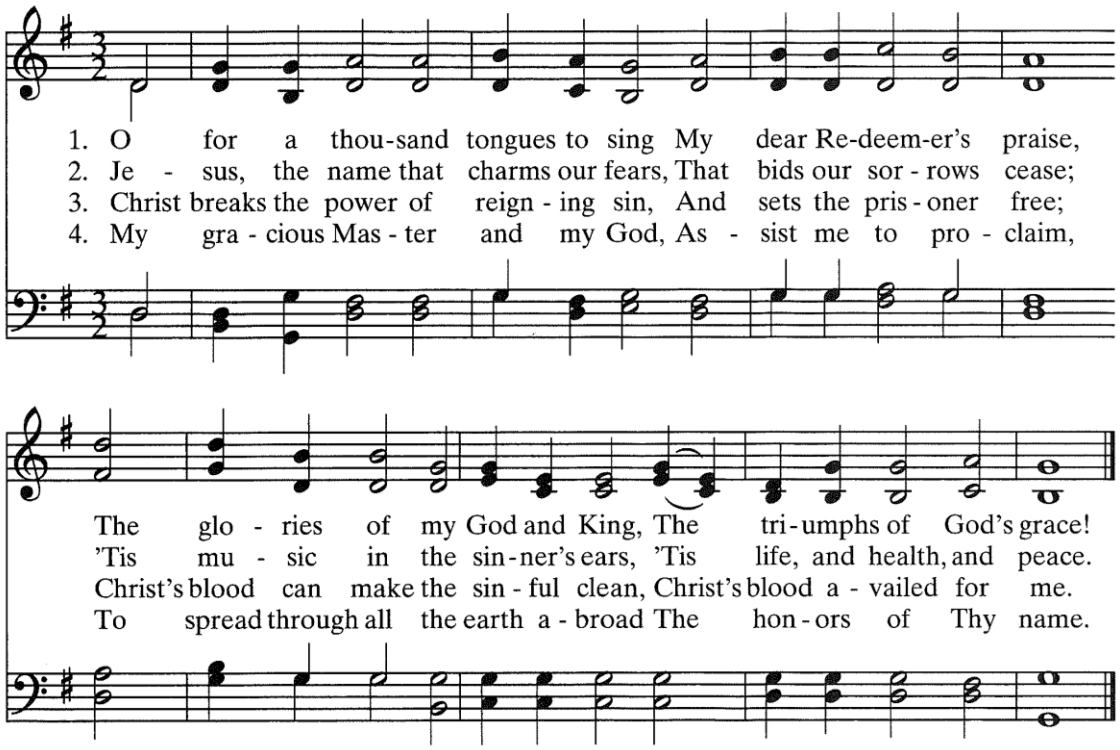
*We invite you to stand as able.

*Opening Songs

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Charles Wesley, 1738; alt.
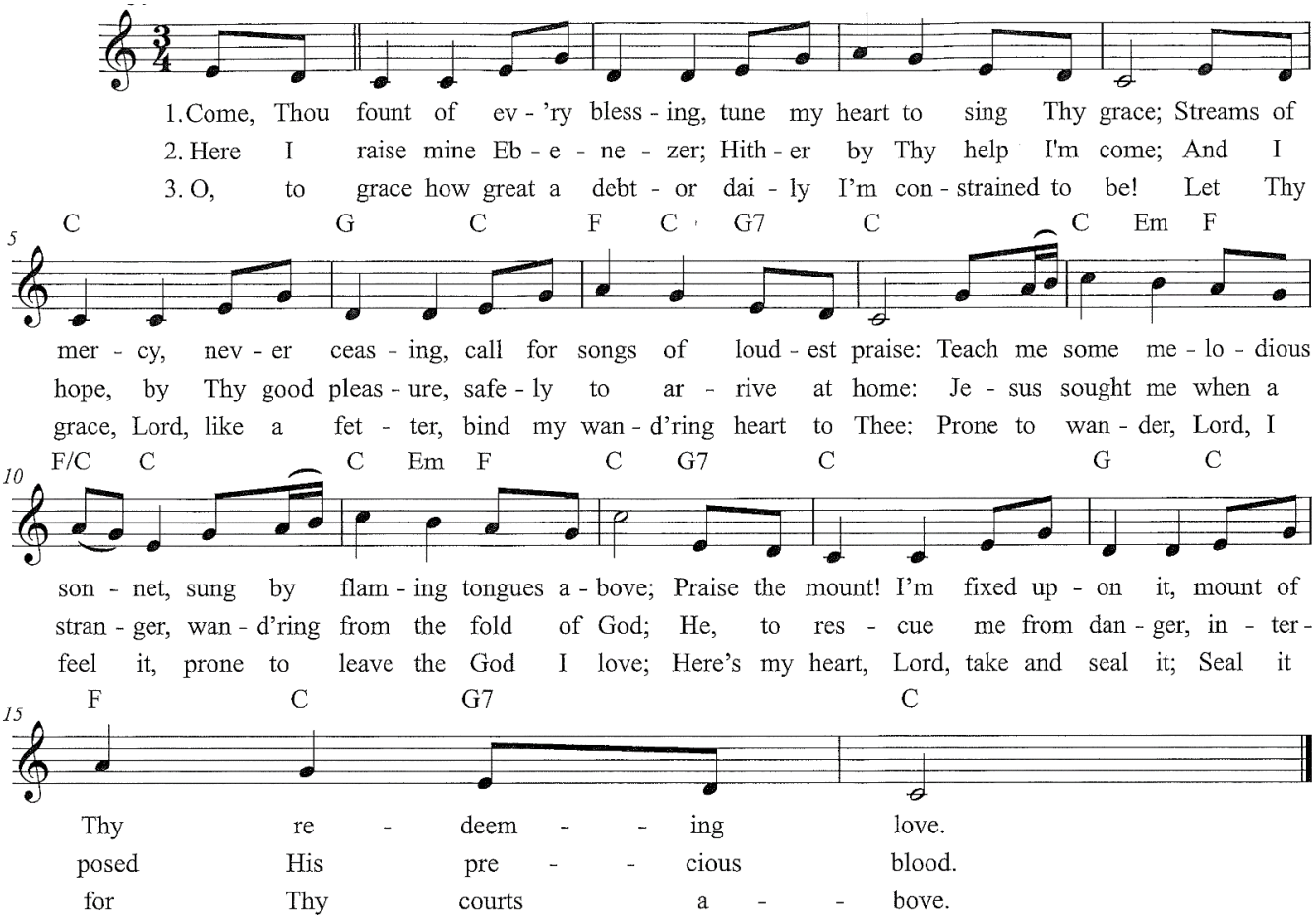
Carl Gotthelf Gläser, 1828
Arr. Lowell Mason, 1839



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Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Wyeth/Robinson



*Prayer of Confession

Creator of the universe, we imagine that we are in familiar territory, that we know what to expect of this hour, that we will leave much the way that we came. Do not abandon us to our foolishness. In judgment, illumine our darkness. In mercy, bear us home – until we recognize your presence wherever evil is confronted, truth is spoken, and life is restored.

(please continue in silent prayer)

*Declaration of Forgiveness

*The Peace

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

Kids grades K-5 are invited to meet at the front of the church to travel to KidsQuest together (in Room D)

~ We Proclaim ~

Prayer for Illumination

Mighty God, you spoke the world into being; speak now to our hearts. By the power of your Spirit, make these ancient words live, that we might be shaped into your people, eager to bear your claim in the world and to give flesh to your future. For we pray in the name of Jesus, who leads us into life. Amen.

Scripture Readings: 1 Timothy 1:12-17
Luke 15:1-10

Sermon "Excessive" Rev. Matt Nieman

~ We Respond ~

Apostles' Creed (Ecumenical)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

Musical Reflection

Reckless Love
Worship Team

Verse 1
Before I spoke a word You were singing over me
You have been so so good to me
Before I took a breath You breathed Your life in me
You have been so so kind to me

Chorus
O the overwhelming never-ending reckless
Love of God
O it chases me down fights 'til I'm found
Leaves the ninety-nine
I couldn't earn it I don't deserve it
Still You give Yourself away
O the overwhelming never-ending reckless
Love of God yeah

Verse 2
When I was Your foe still Your love fought for me
You have been so so good to me
When I felt no worth You paid it all for me
You have been so so kind to me

Bridge
There's no shadow You won't light up
Mountain You won't climb up
Coming after me
There's no wall You won't kick down
Lie You won't tear down
Coming after me

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Call for Giving

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.

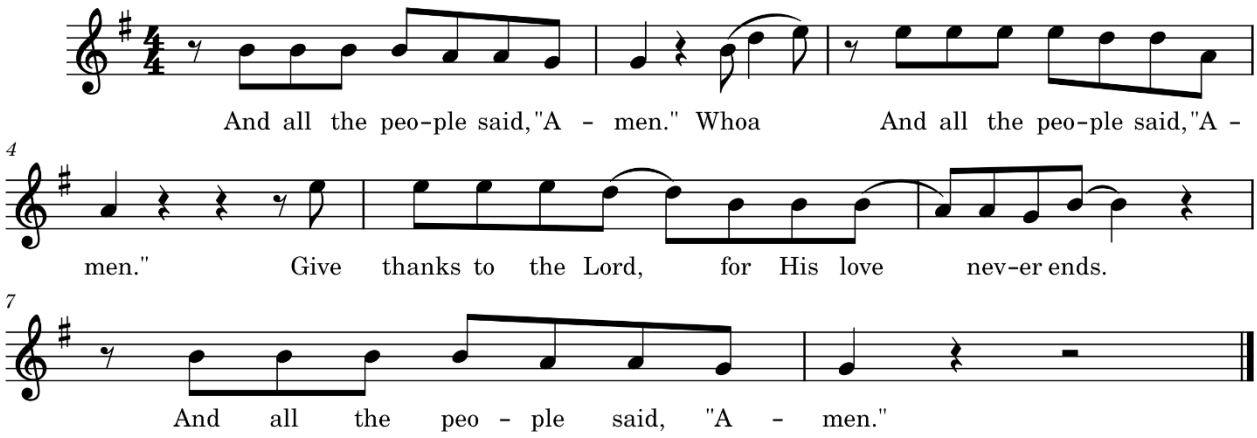
~ We Go Out Into the World ~

*Closing Song ***All the People Said Amen***

Verse 1

You are not alone if you are lonely
When you feel afraid you're not the only
We are all the same in need of mercy
To be forgiven and be free
It's all you got to lean on
But thank God it's all you need

Chorus



Verse 2

If you're rich or poor well it don't matter
Weak or strong you know love is what we're after
We're all broken but we're all in this together
God knows we stumble and fall
And He so loved the world
He sent His son to save us all ***(Chorus)***

Bridge

Blessed are the poor in spirit
who are torn apart
Blessed are the persecuted and the
pure in heart
Blessed are the people hungry for another start
For theirs is the kingdom the kingdom of God

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*Charge and Benediction

Today's Worship Team:

Sandra Bohlken, piano & vocals ~ Charles Needham, bass ~ Kevin Zetina, cajon
Shannon Needham, Whitney Sharp, and Eva Quinley, vocals

A/V Team ~ Ken Ladrach, David Long, and Mason Warren

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.

Looking for ways to be involved in Worship?

Sign-up to be an usher, scripture reader, or communion server!

All ages are invited to sign up.

Please go to: http://tinyurl.com/FPCvolunteerSignUp and sign up in the appropriate available time slot. If you have any questions, contact Mikie Lancaster, Ken Ladrach, or the church office (865/966-9547).





Members
Amy Begovich, Larry Byars, Pat Dail,
Dean & Lucy Fleming, Chuck & Norma Foriska,
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Ann McAnally, Maria Medina, Irma McGuffey,
Tami Newsom, Donna Phillips,
Brenda & Mark Selecman, Beth White, Gayle Williams

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Gene Bird, his wife and daughter Barbara and Kim, friends of Joanie Scheuer

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WHAT'S HAPPENING...

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 14. 2025

Quest Class for Adults

Myself: A User's Guide - Finding Fulfillment by Understanding Yourself and Serving Others

How do your life experiences, personality and skills pair with what you love to do and your spiritual gifts? A lively and enjoyable experience of self-discovery that integrates biblical teaching with the social sciences and self-reflection.



Join us on Monday, September 15, 22, 29 & October 6 from 5:30 – 6:30pm in the Narthex. Let us know you're coming by signing up at: *https://tinyurl.com/MyselfAUsersGuide or use the QR code.*

Quest
Take a Next Step

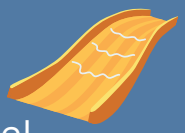
For a full menu of Quest Sundays for Children & Youth as well as Quest Sundays for Adults please see the printed list in the Narthex.

FAMILY MINISTRIES



September 28
KidsQuest sings at the 10am Service

11:00 Tailgate lunch with a bounce house and water slide!



Join us at the PET Middle School Retreat, September 26-28! Together we will look at the magnificent story that unfolds in the Bible and learn how our own stories fit into God's grand story! Contact Mason Warren for more details.





October 26
4-6pm
It's gonna be out of this world!
More details to come.



OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Sunset Gap Food Pantry Drive

The Presbyterian Women invite the congregation to join us in helping stock the food pantry at Sunset Gap. Items requested in order of priority are: peanut butter, spaghetti sauce and pasta (preferably canned, available at Walmart & Kroger) rice (brown or white) canned meats, canned vegetables, breakfast items, and saltines. Please place in the basket in the Narthex. Deadline is October 15.

We will celebrate WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY on October 5th. There will be a collection of the PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING that enables the church to promote the peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice in our own communities and across the world.



MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

CCAHT COMMUNITY COALITION AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING — POWERING grow FREE TENNESSEE

How to Volunteer with CCAHT

The mission of Community Coalition Against Human Trafficking (CCAHT) is to unite and equip the East Tennessee community to end human trafficking. CCAHT will sponsor an orientation session on September 18, from 5-6:30pm, for those who wish to do volunteer work with them. (There is a minimum age limit of 18 years old to do volunteer work on their behalf.)

The volunteer work may include lawn work in their small garden, organizing items that have been donated to them, assisting with moving of a residence, or other types of opportunities that arise over time. CCAHT requires that volunteers complete the orientation session before doing any work. If you are interested in attending the orientation, contact Kirk Morris for more information or to carpool to the orientation session. You will also need to fill out the volunteer inquiry form at this link:
https://growfreetn.org/volunteer/

VOLUNTEER MINISTRY CENTER VMC *Opening Doors for a Better Tomorrow*

Don't forget to sign up in the Narthex to serve at VMC! We still have openings available in November and December.



Meals with a Mission

Our next congregational mission project is scheduled for November 2 where we will work together to pack chicken soup!

This Week at FPC

Sun, Sept 14
- 9am Casual Worship Service/Sanctuary
- 10am Soul Cafe/Narthex
- Pastor Matt's Class/Library
- KidStart/Room D
- YouthQuest/Youth Room
- 11am Traditional Worship Service/Sanctuary
- 12pm Nibbles in the Narthex
- 5:30pm Youth Collective/Youth Room

Mon, Sept 15
- 10am Chair Yoga/Narthex
- 11am Library Reserved
- 5pm Church Life Committee/Library
- 5:30pm Quest Class - Myself: A User's Guide/Narthex

Tues, Sept 16
- 9:45am Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
- 10:30am Feed the Hungry/VMC
- 12:15pm Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
- 6pm Admin/Library
- 7pm BS #444/FH, Room A, Narthex

Wed, Sept 17
- 9:45am Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
- 12pm Parlor Reserved
- 12:15pm Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
- 6pm Casual Worship Team Rehearsal/Room A
- 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal/Room A

Thurs, Sept 18
- 6:30pm CS #444/FH, Narthex, Room A, Room D, Youth Rm

Fri, Sept 19
- 10am Chair Yoga/Narthex
- 7pm Gentle Yoga/Narthex

Shepherds mark your calendars!
There will be a gathering for all Shepherds on October 20 at 6:00 p.m. in Room A.

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 28

One Worship Service at 10am with Bluegrass Music
Tailgate Party to follow
Bring your favorite team gear to decorate a lunch table. There will be prizes for the best decorated table!
RSVP up here:
https://tinyurl.com/FPCTailgateParty

October 4

Foodies Menu
Appetizer – Stuffed Mushrooms
Entree – Coq au vin over noodles
Salad – Orange & beet salad
Dessert – Apple pie with ice cream
Sign up in the Narthex

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