



Farragut Presbyterian Church

God's love for the LOST

~Luke 15:1-7

September 11, 2022
11:00 am



~The Gathering~

Prelude

Adagio
Tami Newsom, organ

Galuppi

Greeting

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Rev. Matt Nieman

Call to Worship

Crowds gathered to hear Jesus speak of pain—
the pain of losing something precious.

Crowds gathered to hear Jesus speak of joy—
the joy of finding what was lost.

We gather to hear Jesus speak words of truth, words of power, words of love.
Speak now, O Lord, for your servants are listening.

Come, let us worship the Lord.

Hymn #288

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Ellacombe

**I sing the mighty power of God that made the mountains rise;
That spread the flowing seas abroad and built the lofty skies.**

**I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;
The moon shines full at God's command, and all the stars obey.**

**I sing the goodness of the Lord that filled the earth with food;
God formed the creatures with a word and then pronounced them good.
Lord, how Thy wonders are displayed, where-e'er I turn my eyes;
If I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the skies!**

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**There's not a plant or flower below but makes Thy glories known;
 And clouds arise, and tempests blow, by order from Thy throne;
 While all that borrows life from Thee is ever in Thy care,
 And everywhere that we can be, Thou, God art present there.**

Text: Isaac Watts, 1715; alt. Music: *Gesangbuch der Herzogl. Württembergischen Katholischen Hofkapelle*, 1784; alt. 1868.
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Prayer of Confession

**Create in us clean hearts, O God,
 cast out any transgression you find there—ransack, renovate, redecorate!
 Deep in our hearts, remove fearful features and restore your original design.**

**The old lamps are dim; bring new light into the darkness.
 Make your dwelling place deep in our hearts, and teach us wisdom,
 so the hearts you transform may rejoice.**

(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~

Prayer for Illumination

Bruce Wilson

**Holy God, by the gift of your Spirit show us the truth that you desire and teach us
 wisdom in our hearts. Let us hear with joy and gladness the Word that you speak
 today; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

First Scripture Reading: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 14

Dr. Angela Batey, cantor

Robert Robinson



Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel__ it, prone to leave the God I love.

Fools say in their hearts, "There is no God,"
They are corrupt, every deed is vile; there is no one who does any good.
The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all,
to see if there is anyone who is wise, who seeks after God.
They have all proved faithless; all alike have turned bad;
There is none who does good; no, not one. **(R)**

Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers
who eat up my people like bread and do not call upon the Lord?
See how they tremble with fear,
because God is in the company of the righteous.
Your aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted,
but the Lord is their refuge. **(R)**

Oh that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion!
When the Lord restores the fortunes of the people,
Jacob will rejoice and Israel will be glad. **(R)**

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Second Scripture Readings: Luke 15:1-7

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

Sermon

"We Have a Place"

Rev. Matt Nieman

~The Response~

Affirmation of Faith (based on 1 Timothy 1:12-17)

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Anthem

My Lord, What a Morning
Chancel Choir

Harry Burleigh

My Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall.
You'll hear the trumpet sound to wake the nations underground.
Looking to my God's right hand when the stars begin to fall.
You'll hear the sinner moan to wake the nations underground.
Looking to my God's right hand when the stars begin to fall.

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 #356

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Nettleton

**Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of God's unchanging love!**

**Here I raise my Ebenezer, hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.**

**O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.**

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Charge and Benediction

Congregational Response

Will You Come and Follow Me

Kelvingrove

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?

Postlude

Basse et Dessus de Trompette

Clérambault





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

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@fpctn.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 IS LAKE DAY** at the Griffins! Contact Mason Warren for more information at masonwarren@fpctn.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.

THURSDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY: Join us for the finish line!

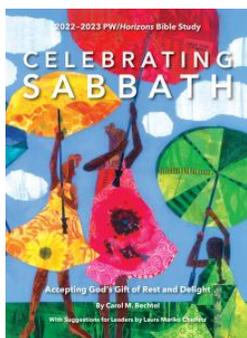
The Thursday evening Bible study is discussing Book V of the Psalms this year. This is the part of the Psalter that has the longest psalm, the shortest psalm, the angriest psalm, and the highest percentage of praise psalms. We have great conversations and many laughs at our weekly Zoom meetings, and even more at our occasional parties. We’d love to have more voices (or listeners if you don’t want to contribute). Contact Elizabeth Wilson to get the Zoom link, and give us a try!



Special thanks to our church members, Jim and Linda Scothorn, Carol Kraft, Jean Peretz and Gayle Williams for providing lunch to the homeless at Volunteer Ministry Center in August.



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.



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN:

FPC Presbyterian Women begin a new year on September 13 and 14. We will be studying *Celebrating Sabbath: Accepting God’s Gift of Rest and Delight*. If you are not currently attending a circle and would like to get involved in one, we have two circles meeting on the second Tuesday and one circle meeting on the second Wednesday of each month. All circles meet at the church at 10 am. We meet from September through May and would love to have you join us. Can’t come every month? That’s okay...you are welcome any time you are available. Questions, give Beth White a call at 865-966-1121 or email her at bwhite6@msn.com.

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. Watch for the sign-up sheet coming soon in the narthex. If you have questions, please contact Pat Hickman.



FAMILY PROMISE VOLUNTEER TRAINING:



In-person hosting of guest families will begin in January and our first support hosting week of 2023 is January 29-February 5. Since it has been several years since we have been over at Westside Unitarian Universalist Church, volunteers are required to attend an in-person training session at the Family Promise day center on Middlebrook Pike and complete the online training as a refresher.

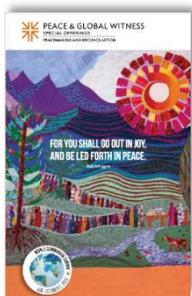
The online training is at: <https://family-promise.coassemble.com/unlock/yvtVdBr> and you will need to also attend one of the in-person training sessions on 9/12, 10/3, 11/7, or 12/5. Family Promise of Knoxville helped 82 families avoid homelessness last year. Please contact Beth Loyless for more information.



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.

YOU ARE INVITED!

Please join Gloria and Kirby Purjet in honoring Gloria's mother, Gloria Lay, for coffee and cake after the 9:00 worship service next Sunday, September 18 as she celebrates her 102nd birthday!



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.



This Week at FPC

Sun, Sept 11	9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Sunday Worship		
Mon, Sept 12	9:00	a.m.	KidZone/Room 10
	5:00	p.m.	Youth Lake Day /Griffins
Tues, Sept 13	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	7:00	p.m.	Christian Education Committee/Zoom
Wed, Sept 14	10:00	a.m.	PW Circle #1/Room A
	10:00	a.m.	PW Circle #2/Library
	11:30	a.m.	BFA Chapel and Music/Sanctuary
	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts #444/FH, Room A, Narthex
Thur, Sept 15	10:00	a.m.	PW Circle #3/Library
	11:30	a.m.	BFA Chapel and Music/Sanctuary
	2:00	p.m.	Grief Support Group/Library
	4:50	p.m.	FPC Fellowship Golf/Avalon Country Club
Fri, Sept 16	7:30	p.m.	FPC Chancel Choir/Sanctuary
	6:30	p.m.	Cub Scouts/Fellowship Hall
Sat, Sept 17	7:00	p.m.	Thursday Night Bible Study/Zoom
	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	7:00	p.m.	Gentle Yoga/Narthex
	11:00	a.m.	Music Ministry Welcome Back /Haig Farm

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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