

FARRAGUT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

James 2:1-10

SEPTEMBER 8, 2024
9:00 A.M.

~We Gather~

Prelude

Follow You Anywhere
Musical Ensemble

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Greeting

Rev. Matt Nieman

Call to Worship

Trust in the Lord, who made heaven and earth;
trust in the Lord, who loves every part of it.

Trust in the Lord, who cares for those in need;
trust in the Lord, who leads us to do the same.

Let us worship God, who shows us the way.



Chain Breaker

VERSE 1

If you've been walking the same old road
For miles and miles
If you've been hearing the same old voice
Tell the same old lies
If you're trying to fill the same old holes inside
There's a better life
There's a better life

CHORUS



The musical notation for the chorus is written on a single treble clef staff in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The lyrics are placed below the staff, aligned with the notes. The chorus is divided into three lines of music, with measure numbers 3 and 6 indicated at the start of the second and third lines respectively.

If you've got pain, He's a pain ta - ker. If you feel lost,
He's a way ma - ker. If you need free - dom or sav - ing, He's a
pris-on shak-ing Sav - ior. If you got chains, He's a chain break - er.

VERSE 2

We've all searched for the light of day
In the dead of night
We've all found ourselves worn out
From the same old fight
We've all run to things we know just ain't right
When there's a better life
There's a better life

BRIDGE

If you believe it
If you receive it
If you can feel it
Somebody testify

Charles Wesley, 1738; alt.

Carl Gotthelf Gläser, 1828
Arr. Lowell Mason, 1839

1. O for a thou-sand tongues to sing My dear Re-deem-er's praise,
2. Je - sus, the name that charms our fears, That bids our sor - rows cease;
3. Christ breaks the power of reign - ing sin, And sets the pris - oner free;
4. My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, As - sist me to pro - claim,

The glo - ries of my God and King, The tri-umphs of God's grace!
'Tis mu - sic in the sin-ner's ears, 'Tis life, and health, and peace.
Christ's blood can make the sin - ful clean, Christ's blood a - vailed for me.
To spread through all the earth a - broad The hon - ors of Thy name.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1738; alt. Music: Carl Gotthelf Gläser, 1828, Arr. Lowell Mason, 1839.
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*Prayer of Confession~

**God of favor, we have not been true to you.
You have chosen the poor in the world, but we have dishonored them.
You plead the cause of the afflicted, but we crush them.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We have favored the rich and despised the poor.
We have dismissed the needy with empty words.**

**Forgive us Lord. Soften our hearts and make straight our ways.
Heal our unbelief and turn us back to you.**

(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

John Begovich

Healing God, you do all things well. Illumine our hearts by your Holy Spirit, so we might receive your words and demonstrate your grace. Amen.

Scripture Readings: Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23
James 2:1-10

[Pew Bible pg. 604]

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The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“No Distinctions”

Rev. Matt Nieman

~We Respond~

Affirmation of Faith – from the PCUSA Study Catechism

How do you live for the love of God?

We love because God first loved us. God loves us in Christ with a love that never ends. Amazed by grace, we no longer live for ourselves. We live for the Lord who died and rose again, triumphant over death, for our sakes. Therefore, we take those around us to heart, especially those in particular need, knowing that Christ died for them no less than for us.

Musical Reflection

Follow You
Musical Ensemble

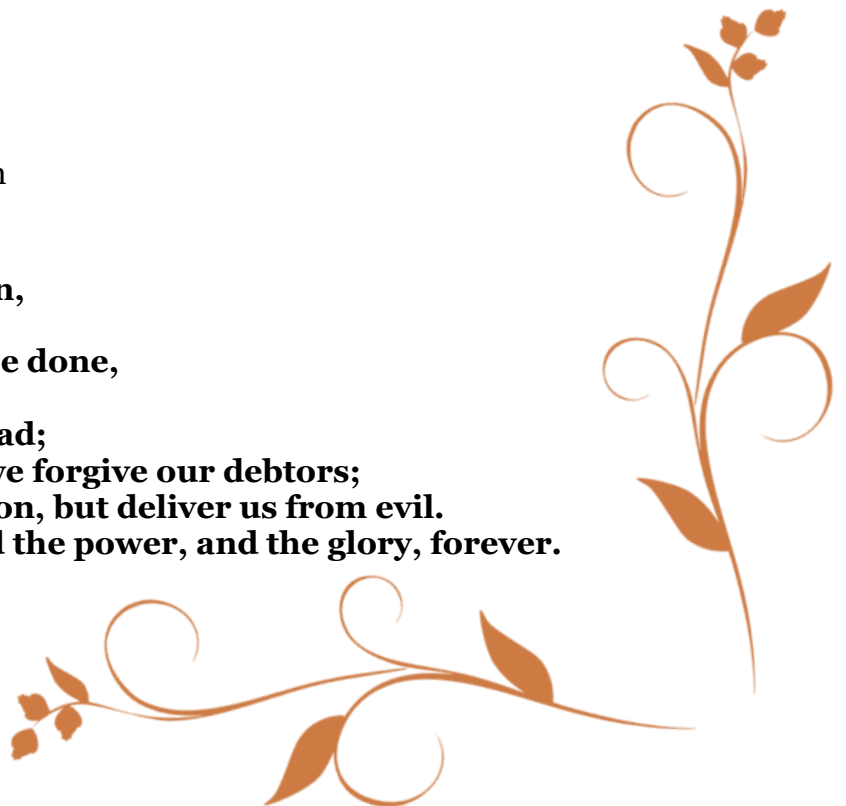
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Call for Giving

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

I Am Free

VERSE



Through You the blind will see; Through You the mute will sing;
5 Through You the dead will rise; Through You all hearts will praise;
9 Through You the dark - ness flees; Through You my heart screams I am free.

CHORUS



I am free to run, (I am free to run.) I am free to dance,
22 (I am free to dance.) I am free to live for You, (I am free to live for You.)
28 I am free, I am free_____

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*Charge and Benediction



Today's music ensemble:

Sandra Bohlken, guitar & vocals ~ LisaKay Matchen, Eva Quinley, Bruce Wilson, vocals
and Charles Needham, bass guitar

Audio ~ Ken Ladrach / *Video* ~ Mason Warren & Parker Morrell

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS

Hello Friends! Farragut Presbyterian Church is always looking for volunteers to assist in our worship services. If you can help in any of the submitted categories: usher, scripture reader, or communion server, please go to: <http://tinyurl.com/FPCvolunteerSignUp> and sign up in the appropriate available time slot. If you have any questions, please contact Mikie Lancaster, Ken Ladrach, or the church office (865/966-9547). Thank you for your help!

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.

We welcome our **CHANCEL CHOIR** back to worship today at 11am!!! All in our congregation are welcomed to join our Chancel Choir – just talk to any of our members to find out what a wonderful fellowship we have – no experience required! Please join us for rehearsal this Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Room A. Hope to see you there!



Please join Presbyterian Women to help stock **SUNSET GAP FOOD PANTRY**. They are serving 548-588 families each month. Items most needed include: flour, sugar, cornmeal mix, cooking oil, peanut butter, pasta and canned pasta sauce, canned meat, rice, mac & cheese, breakfast items, Ramen noodles and crackers. We will be collecting Sept 15 through Oct. 13. Questions? Contact Debbie Long.

Special thanks to our amazing volunteers: August coordinators Joyce & Kent Williams, Gayle Williams, Sharon Koch, and Jeanie Oakley for purchasing, preparing and serving a meal to the homeless at **VOLUNTEER MINISTRY CENTER** last month. If you would like to volunteer for this rewarding ministry, please sign up in the narthex, or contact Sept. 17th coordinators: Karen Brown & Chuck Gonzalez.



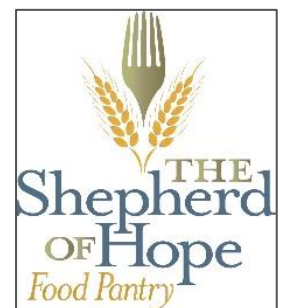
The **SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY** is getting ready for the holidays! Holiday food baskets will be distributed to pantry guests in November and December. Last year over 630 families received special holiday baskets, including many families from local schools that were especially invited to receive the holiday baskets.

The holiday baskets typically include a ham or turkey, canned vegetables, stuffing mix, cooking oil, eggs, coffee or tea, and dessert mix. **Farragut Presbyterian will again collect cake mixes and canned frosting (any flavors) and/or brownie mixes for these gifts.**

As you shop in the next couple of months, please consider adding these dessert items to your list and drop them off in the cart in the narthex here.

What a blessing it is to be able to make the holidays more enjoyable for our neighbors!

Contact Becky Thomason with any questions.





We have four FPC Mobile Meals teams that volunteer their time delivering meals once a month to those in need. Currently, we need a backup team or two for those times when our teams can't deliver on their normal week. If you can help, please contact Irene Rice, FPC mobile meals coordinator.

SAVE THE DATES! Our church-sponsored Cub Scouts will be selling popcorn on September 22nd and September 29th before and after each worship service. The annual Scout popcorn sale is a fundraiser that provides troops with the funding they need to deliver an amazing Scouting Program! Watch for the popcorn table coming soon and help support our Cub Scouts! For more information contact Brett & Amy Eiffert, Mindy Houlihan or Beth Honey.



Small and Mighty Youth will have a **FIESTA NIGHT** at Maryville College on Sunday, September 15th. Have fun on the Ropes Course and the Taco Bar! Contact Mason Warren masonwarren@fpctn.org for more information.



PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY: Pat Dail, Wayne Davis, Billie Fain, Chuck Foriska, Frank Guess, Paul Hanson, John Huntley, Paul Johnson, Beth Loyless, Nathan Mathis, Ann McAnally, Irma McGuffey, Maria Medina, Tami Newsom, Kimberly Platt, Jim Rich, Dee Robinson, Linda Stutzenberger, Gail Wallace

BEREAVED: The family of FPC member **Helen Weaver**

This Week at FPC

Sun Sept 08	9:00 a.m. Casual and 11:00 am Traditional Worship Services		
	9:00	a.m.	KidZone/Fellowship Hall
	5:30	p.m.	Youth Group/Café/Parlor
	6:30	p.m.	Village Green HOA/Library
Mon, Sept 09	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	4:00	p.m.	Stephen Ministry/Room A
	7:00	p.m.	Christian Education Committee/Zoom
Tues, Sept 10	10:00	a.m.	PW Circle #1/Room A
	10:00	a.m.	PW Circle #2/Library
	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
Wed, Sept 11	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts #444/FH, Narthex, Room A
	10:00	a.m.	PW Circle #3/Library
	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
Thur, Sept 12	6:00	p.m.	Casual Worship Music Practice/Room A
	6:00	p.m.	Handbell Choir Practice/Sanctuary
	7:30	p.m.	Chancel Choir/Room A
Fri, Sept 13	8:00	a.m.	Men's Bible Study/Narthex
	6:30	p.m.	Cub Scout #444/Fellowship Hall
Sat, Sept 14	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	5:00	p.m.	UT Choir Retreat /Rm A, Narthex, Sanctuary, FH
	9:00	a.m.	UT Chamber Singers Retreat /Rm A, N, Sanc, FH



Sunday School ~ 10:00 a.m.

- **KidZone** is for children ages 3-9 who meet in Fellowship Hall at 9am to learn about the love of God, through Bible verses, songs, videos and fun activities.
- **Adult Bible Study** meets in Room D to discuss the weekly Lectionary text. Everyone is welcome. Contact Elizabeth Wilson with questions.
- **Pastor Matt's Class** has begun a NEW SEVEN-WEEK SERIES "God In You – Releasing the Power of The Holy Spirit in Your Life" by Dr. David Jeremiah. It is led by our own Larry Byars and is held in the library.
- **FPC Youth Class** meets at 10am in the Café (parlor) each week during the school year to "Dive In" to the Old Testament. Contact Mason Warren for more information.



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Church Office Hours:

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



<http://tinyurl.com/FPCe-giving>

*To praise God, welcome all, serve others,
grow in faith, be disciples of Jesus Christ and share the Good News."*