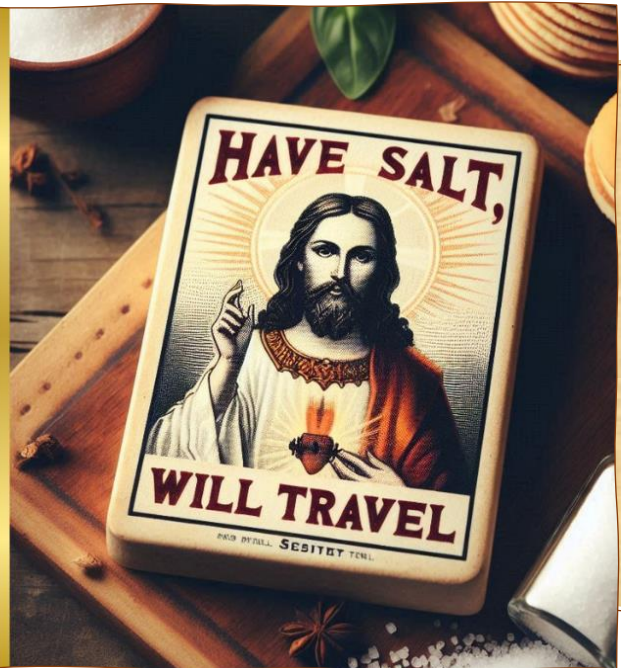




FARRAGUT  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH

*Mark 9:38-50*

SEPTEMBER 29, 2024  
9:00 a.m.



*~We Gather~*

Prelude

*God With Us*  
Musical Ensemble

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Call to Worship

We gather in this place seeking to live in faithful community  
and asking God to guide us.

Lord, revive our souls,  
**that we might lift each other up.**

Lord, revive our souls,  
**that we might order our communities  
in ways that lead us toward love.**

Lord, revive our souls!



\*Opening Song

## We Are Marching

Siyahamba

We are marching in the light of God  
We are marching in the light of God  
We are marching in the light of God  
We are marching in the light of God

We are marching, marching, we are marching, Ooo  
We are marching in the light of God  
We are marching, marching, we are marching, Ooo  
We are marching in the light of God

2. We are singing in the light of God.....
3. We are praying in the light of God.....
4. We are dancing in the light of God.....

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\*Song

## Salt and Light

### VERSE

You make me want to be like You  
Your holiness I will pursue  
I want the heart of Jesus  
Show me the meaning of Your grace  
I want to give the world a taste  
Of the love of Jesus

### CHORUS

5 Make me salt, make me light; Let Your ho - ly fire ig - nite;

10 Re-veal Your glo - ry in my life; I am not

14 a-shamed to lift up Your ho - ly name; Make me salt,  
make me light.

\*Prayer of Confession~

Rev. Matt Nieman

**God, our strength and savior, you know our great transgressions,  
our hidden faults, our secret sins.  
With our hands we grasp at power; with our feet we stumble into evil;  
with our eyes we look out for ourselves.**

**Forgive us gracious God, and lead us in your holy way of life  
and love and peace; for the sake of 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

John Begovich

**Your Word is our salt; without it, we lose our being, our joy, and our ability to  
endure. Open our hearts and our minds to listen, to really listen, to your Word  
today. Amen.**

Scripture Readings: James 5:13-20  
Mark 9:38-50

[Pew Bible pg. 231]  
[Pew Bible pg. 45]

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

Sermon

“Saltiness”

Rev. Matt Nieman

*~We Respond~*

Affirmation of Faith – from the Confession of ‘67

**We believe the new life takes shape in a community in which we know that God  
loves and accepts us as we are. We therefore accept ourselves and love others,  
knowing that no one has any ground on which to stand except God’s grace.  
The new life does not release us from conflict with unbelief, pride, lust, and fear.  
We still have to struggle with disheartening difficulties and problems.  
Nevertheless, we live in good cheer, bearing witness on good days and evil,  
confident that the new life is pleasing to God and helpful to others.**

Musical Reflection

*Desert Song*  
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

## Thrive

### VERSE 1

Here in this worn and weary land  
Where many a dream has died  
Like a tree planted by the water  
We never will run dry

### PRE-CHORUS

So living water flowing through  
God we thirst for more of You  
Fill our hearts and flood our souls  
With one desire

### CHORUS

Just to know You, and to make You known. We lift Your name on  
5 high. Shine like the sun, make darkness run and hide. We know we were made for  
11 so much more than ordinary lives. It's time for us to more than just survive:  
16 We were made to thrive.

### VERSE 2

Into Your Word we're digging deep  
To know our Father's heart  
Into the world we're reaching out  
To show them who You are

### BRIDGE

Joy unspeakable  
Faith unsinkable  
Love unstoppable  
Anything is possible  
(REPEAT 3X)

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\*Charge and Benediction



Today's music ensemble:

Sandra Bohlken, guitar & vocals ~ Joey Nieman, guitar & vocals  
Charles Needham, bass guitar ~ Kevin Zetina, percussion  
Mindy Houlihan & Shannon Needham, vocals

*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](mailto:office@fpctn.org), or
- Sign the pew attendance pad.



Our church-sponsored Cub Scouts are selling popcorn **TODAY** before and after each worship service. This annual **SCOUT POPCORN SALE** is a fundraiser that provides troops with the funding they need to deliver an amazing Scouting Program! Visit the popcorn table and help support our Cub Scouts! For more info contact Brett & Amy Eiffert, Mindy Houlihan or Beth Honey.



**NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**ONE WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10am FOLLOWED BY:**



**WEAR YOUR TEAM COLORS AND BRING YOUR FAVORITE TAILGATE FOOD!**

(finger foods, appetizers, etc.)

Our wonderful Church Life Committee will provide Fried Chicken, Drinks and Serviceware. Feel free to build your own team-themed centerpiece to decorate your table!



To make sure we have enough Fried Chicken and chairs, please RSVP online at: <https://tinyurl.com/FPCTailgateParty>, or use your phone and the QR code here, register in the church narthex, or contact the church office. Please RSVP by October 2<sup>nd</sup>!

## LET ALL REJOICE WHO HAVE A VOICE TO RAISE!

Our celebration is just a few weeks away! We invite you, our friends, to participate in our annual “**Invite a Friend to Choir**” Day. As we have in the past, we would like to fill the choir loft with the people of God who are bonded together through music. This event is NOT just for people who know how to read music, or who have sung in a choir before. No previous experience is required! The music ministry of Farragut Presbyterian IS for ALL the people of God! Please join us for rehearsal and fellowship on Wednesday night, October 09 and Sunday, October 13 as we *MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE!*



## Food Pantry Needs

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 now through Oct. 13. Questions? Contact Debbie Long.

Join us for fall fun at the **DEEP WELL FARM PUMPKIN PATCH** on Sunday, Oct. 13 from 3-5pm. (Rain date is Sunday, Oct. 20). This event is open to all, so bring friends and family! Deep Well Farm is located at 9567 US 11 E, Lenoir City, TN, 37772. The price is \$15 and includes wagon ride and a small pumpkin – and ONLY CASH is accepted. No debit/credit cards. Meet at the ticket booth at 3pm to go in as a group. RSVP to Mason Warren or Jenny Trussell. *Hope to see you there!*



Special thanks to our amazing volunteers:

Janet Tinder, Heather Robinson and September coordinators Karen Brown Gonzalez and Chuck Gonzalez for purchasing, preparing and serving a meal to the homeless at **VOLUNTEER MINISTRY CENTER** this month.

If you would like to volunteer for this rewarding ministry, please sign up in the narthex, or contact Oct. 15th coordinator, Jean Peretz.

SAVE THE DATE! Join us for our **TRUNK OR TREAT** event at Farragut Presbyterian Church on October 27 from 4-6PM! Bring the whole family for an evening of spooky fun and sweet treats. Everyone is welcome! If you'd like to set up a trunk or lend a hand with games inside, please contact Amy Eiffert at amyegnot@hotmail.com, or Cheyanne Feldhausen at feldhausentc@gmail.com.

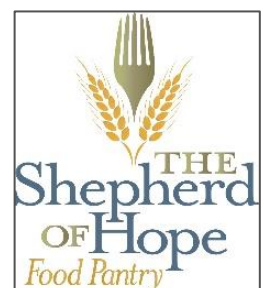


The **SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY** is getting ready for the holidays! Holiday food baskets will be distributed to pantry guests in November and December. Last year over 630 families received special holiday baskets, including many families from local schools that were especially invited to receive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





**“The Golden Age of Spain – Where Three Faiths Meet”** is a Spring tour of Spain led by Pastor Hal & Jeanie Oakley on April 24 – May 7, 2025. FPC is invited to join the group in this adventure which focuses on a country where three faiths meet: Judaism, Islam, and Christianity, and how each has been an integral part of Spain’s rich history. Contact Hal or Jeanie Oakley (256-468-4501) for more information or grab a reservation form on the narthex table.

*Attention: All Crafters!* The Fall trip to Townsend is scheduled for Tuesday, October 29th to take donated craft items to **CAM (Coalition of Appalachian Ministries)**. Donated items can be brought to the church or call Debbie Long or Mikie Lancaster for a pickup. All sewing supplies, fabric, yarn (especially peach and cream colors), zippers, buttons, costume jewelry, cotton for quilting, all batting, especially Insul-Bright thermal batting used to make potholders, denim jeans, old and worn tablecloths, all trims like rick rack, thread, old white lace, doilies, even used light bulbs are appreciated and will be made into unique items to sell. Contact Debbie or Mikie for more information, or to ride along!

## **NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6<sup>th</sup> - “Sowing the Seeds of Peace”**



We will celebrate WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY on October 6<sup>th</sup>. We will also collect THE PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING. Our Peace & Global Witness Offering enables the church to promote the peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice in our own communities and across the world. It is one of four annual special offerings, bringing together the diversity of the PC(USA) to focus and take faith-based action on shared concerns. Our gifts to the Peace & Global Witness Offering are helping our neighbors in need – those who live next door, down the street, and across the globe. 25% of this Offering stays with our congregation to support peacemaking and reconciliation in our own community. 25% of this Offering goes to our mid-council to join with other congregations to support peacemaking work in our region. 50% of this Offering supports the work being done by Presbyterians across the globe.

Our neighbors need us. Please give what you can to the Peace & Global Witness Offering. There is a pew envelope specially designated for this offering, or you can just write in the memo line of your check, or give online at: <http://tinyurl.com/FPCe-giving>. WHEN WE ALL DO A LITTLE, IT ADDS UP TO A LOT!  
*Thank you!*

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

Billie Fain, Chuck Foriska, Frank Guess, John Huntley, Paul Johnson, Beth Loyless,  
Nathan Mathis, Ann McAnally, Irma McGuffey, Maria Medina, Tami Newsom,  
Kimberly Platt, Linda Stutzenberger, Gail Wallace



### **BEREAVED:**

The friends and family of Paul Hanson



## *This Week at FPC*

Sun Sept 29		9:00 a.m. Casual and 11:00 am Traditional Worship Services	
	9:00	a.m.	KidZone/Fellowship Hall
	5:30	p.m.	Youth Groups/Parlor
Mon, Sept 30	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	6:00	p.m.	STEM Scouts/Fellowship Hall
Tues, Oct 01	7:00	p.m.	Emergency Preparedness Committee/Parlor
	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
Wed, Oct 02	6:30	p.m.	Early-Onset Dementia Caregivers/Room A
	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts #444/FH, Narthex
	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
Thur, Oct 03	12:00	p.m.	Room D/reserved
	6:00	p.m.	Casual Worship Music Practice/Room A
	6:00	p.m.	Worship & Music Committee/Library
Fri, Oct 04	7:30	p.m.	Chancel Choir/Room A
	6:30	p.m.	Cub Scout #444/Fellowship Hall
Sat. Oct 05	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	*****	*****	Fellowship Hall/reserved for Tailgate setup



### *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** is studying "The After Party." It's an examination of a growing movement that believes how we engage in politics — how we show up for the conversation, if you will — should be anchored in the clear teaching of Jesus. It's more about "the how" than "the what" — how we interact with each other more than what the "what" is. Join us in the library at 10:00.
- **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."*