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Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

~The Gathering~

PRELUDE

Meditation on 'Carlisle' Tami Newsom, organ Callahan

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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.

\*Hymn #466

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Azmon

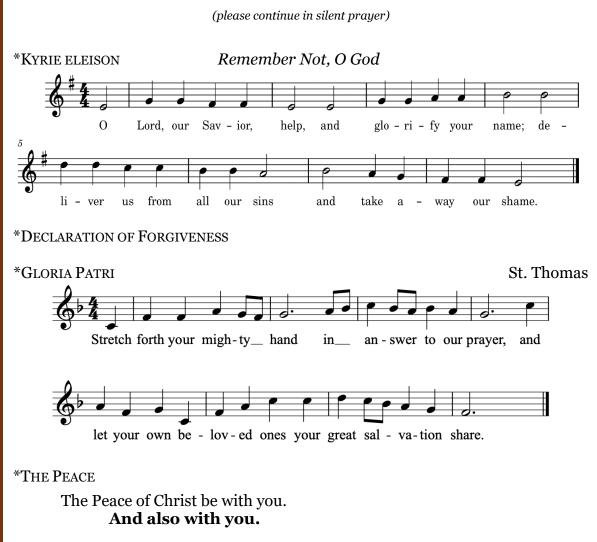
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\*CALL TO CONFESSION

## \*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.



~The Word~					
PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION	Gary Heidinger				
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.					
FIRST SCRIPTURE READING:	[Pew Bible pg. 604]				
The Word of the Lord. <b>Thanks be to God.</b>					
PSALM 125	Dr. Angela Batey, cantor	Hopson			
Lord, show your good	I-ness; show your good-ness to	all your peo - ple.			
Those who put their trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, unshaken, enduring forever. As the mountains enfold Jerusalem, so the Lord enfolds the faithful, now and evermore. <b>(R)</b>					
Those whose ways are corrupt shall never rule over the land of the righteous as long as the righteous uphold the truth. Lord, show your goodness to all your people and to those who are true of heart. Shun those whose ways are unjust; give peace to Israel. <b>(R)</b> From The Psalter ~ Psaltes & Canticles for Singing					
SECOND SCRIPTURE READING	[Pew Bible pg. 229]				
The Word of the Lord. <b>Thanks be to God.</b>					
Sermon	"No Distinctions"	Rev. Matt Nieman			

~The Response~

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.

#### ANTHEM

With a Voice of Singing **Chancel Choir** 

Martin Shaw

With a voice of singing declare ve this, and let it be heard, Alleluia! Utter it even unto the ends of the earth. The Lord hath delivered His people, Alleluia! O be joyful in God, all ye lands. O sing praises to the honor of His name, make His praise to be glorious.

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~

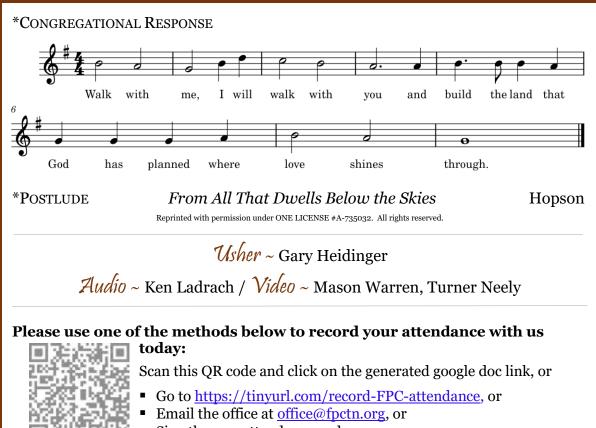
\*HYMN #439

In Christ There Is No East or West

St. Peter

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\*BENEDICTION



• Sign the pew attendance pad.

## SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS

*Hello Friends!* Farragut Presbyterian Church is 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: <u>http://tinyurl.com/FPCvolunteerSignUp</u> 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).

We welcome our <u>CHANCEL CHOIR</u> back to worship today!!! 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. 17<sup>th</sup> coordinators: Karen Brown & Chuck Gonzalez.



The **<u>SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY</u>** 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. 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 22<sup>nd</sup> and September 29<sup>th</sup> 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.





Contact Mason Warren at <u>masonwarren@fpctn.org</u> to RSVP.

# 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
	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts #444/FH, Narthex, Room A
Wed, Sept 11	10:00	a.m.	PW Circle #3/Library
	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
	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
Thur, Sept 12	8:00	a.m.	Men's Bible Study/Narthex
	6:30	p.m.	Cub Scout #444/Fellowship Hall
Fri, Sept 13	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
~ ~ .	5:00	p.m.	UT Choir Retreat/Rm A, Narthex, Sanctuary, FH
Sat, Sept 14	9:00	a.m.	<b>UT Chamber Singers Retreat</b> /Rm A, N, Sanctuary FH

Sunday School

- <u>**KidZone**</u> is for children ages 3-9 who meet in Fellowship Hall during the 9am casual service to learn about the love of God through Bible verses, songs, videos and fun activities.
- <u>Adult Bible Study</u> meets in Room D at 10am to discuss the weekly Lectionary text. (In nice weather, we may meet outside in the shade!) Everyone is welcome. Contact Elizabeth Wilson with questions.
- **Pastor Matt's Class** is studying a 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 at 10am.
- <u>FPC Youth Class</u> 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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