

~We Gather~

Prelude

Our God Musical Ensemble

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Call to Worship

We gather from the west to the east, from the south to the north,

to celebrate the God of peace who accompanies us in our acts of peace.

This God of peace accompanies us in each and every circumstance around us.

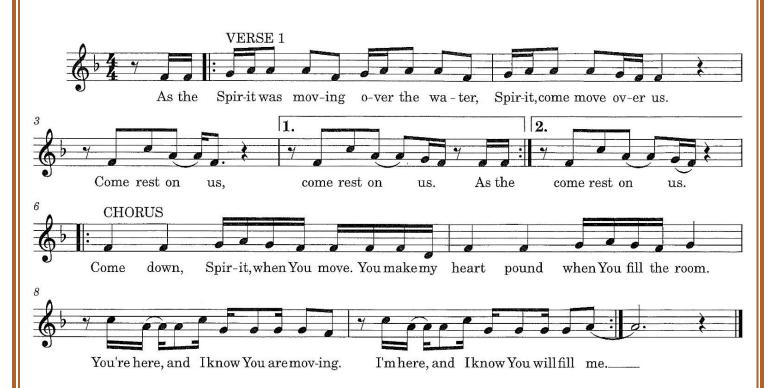
We praise God's name!

Come, let us worship God.



*Opening Song

Rest On Us



VERSE 2

Fire and wind come and do it again Open up the gates let Heaven on in Come rest on us, come rest on us (sing verse 2x, then chorus 2x)

BRIDGE

Holy Spirit
Come rest on us
You're all we want

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*Prayer of Confession~

Rev. Matt Nieman

Gracious Lord, creator of this universe,

in your generosity you have given us a world of abundance and diversity, yet we live guided by greed and selfishness.

We confess that we have defaced your creation and poisoned our environment through our consumerist behavior and for personal gain.

In Christ, you made us brothers and sisters and intended for us to be united, and yet we have built walls to separate us from those who are different from us.

You gave us wisdom and creativity and we have used those to trick each other and to develop weapons of destruction and death.

You gave us laws to order our lives and we have abused them to take revenge and punish our enemies.

We love war rather than strive for peace.

We ignore the poor and the weak and honored the rich and powerful. In all this we have not lived according to your will.

Forgive us, Lord, for daring to boast in our human achievements and for failing to recognize that you alone are worthy of praise. In your mercy, forgive us our sins.

(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

Kathy Emmerson

Holy Spirit, grant us openness and give us understanding of what each one of us needs to receive through Holy Scripture. When we are facing a difficult choice between the easy and the right decision, help us to choose the narrow path. We also pray for all who are about to set on an adventurous journey of faith anywhere in the world. Amen.

Scripture Readings: Mark 10:13-16

Job 1:1; 2:1-10

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

[Pew Bible pg. 46] [Pew Bible pg. 453]

Sermon "Who to Blame" Rev. Matt Nieman

~We Respond~

Affirmation of Faith – from the PCUSA Study Catechism

How do you understand the love and power of God?

Through Jesus Christ. In his life of compassion, his death on the cross, and his resurrection from the dead, I see how vast is God's love for the world—a love that is ready to suffer for our sakes, yet so strong that nothing will prevail against it.

What comfort do you receive from this truth?

This powerful and loving God is the one whose promises I may trust in all the circumstances of my life, and to whom I belong in life and in death.

Musical Reflection

Praise You in This Storm Musical Ensemble

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Call for Giving

~We Remember~

The Invitation to the Lord's Table

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.

Words of Institution



~We Go Out Into the World~

*Closing Song

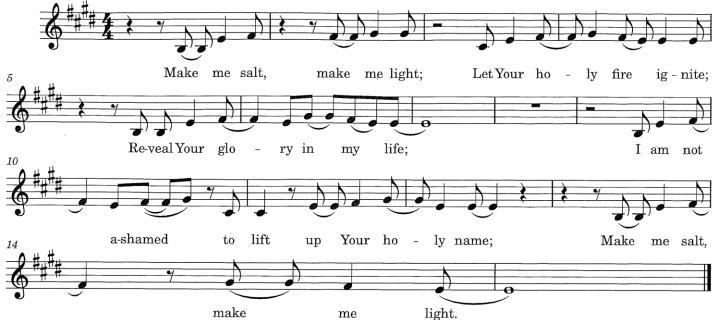
Salt and Light

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



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*Charge and Benediction

Today's music ensemble:

Sandra Bohlken, guitar & vocals ~ Kevin Zetina, percussion Mindy Houlihan, LisaKay Matchen & Bruce Wilson, vocals

Communion Server ~ Mark Allen

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.

BE SURE TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL







IN FELLOWSHIP HALL FOLLOWING WORSHIP TODAY!

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

LET ALL REJOICE WHO HAVE A VOICE TO RAISE!

Our celebration is just a week 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!



Please join Presbyterian Women to help stock <u>SUNSET GAP FOOD PANTRY</u>. 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 <u>DEEP WELL FARM PUMPKIN PATCH</u> 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!*





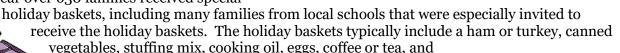
Special thanks to our amazing volunteers:

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

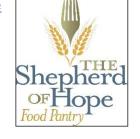


dessert mix. Farragut Presbyterian will again collect cake mixes and canned frosting (any flavors) and/or brownie mixes for these gifts.

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!



SAVE THE DATE!

Our Casual Service percussionist, **KEVIN ZETINA** is giving a Faculty Recital on Oct 13 at 1:30pm on UT's campus at the Natalie L. Haslam Music Center



Be sure to sign-up in the narthex for our <u>OCTOBER FOODIES</u>, Saturday October 26th. The menu is:

- Appetizer Stuffed Mushrooms
- Entrée Mediterranean Stuffed Pork Tenderloin with Cheese Grits
- Caprese Roasted Asparagus
- Dessert Apple Cobbler with Ice Cream

Please contact Pat Hickman for more information about this fun, food-lovin' group!

TODAY WE ARE COLLECTING THE SPECIAL PEACE AND GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING ~ "Sowing the Seeds of Peace"



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, Ann McAnally, Irma McGuffey, Maria Medina, Tami Newsom, Kimberly Platt, Linda Stutzenberger, Gail Wallace

BEREAVED:

The friends and family of Paul Hanson

SPECIAL PRAYERS:

Please continue to pray for all of the devastated families of the Southeast that have been affected by the Hurricane Helene tragedy. If you would like to help support the disaster relief efforts from our presbytery, go to:



https://www.presbyteryeasttn.org/donate/ (please choose the PET Disaster Response Fund option when making your donation).

Thank you to all of our FPC family who donated bottled water this past week. A truck delivered water to those in need here in East TN on Friday. The Presbytery of East Tennessee (PET) will also be purchasing large buckets in bulk and asking church congregations to fill them with necessary items the affected families need to clean up and start the restoration process. More details to come.

This Week at FPC

Sun Oct 06	10:00 a.m. Casual Worship Service		
	10:00	a.m.	KidZone/Fellowship Hall
	11:00	a.m.	FPC TAILGATE POTLUCK/FH
Mon, Oct 07	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
Tues, Oct o8	1000	a.m.	PW Circle #1/Room A
	10:00	a.m.	PW Circle #2/Library
	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
	6:00	p.m.	Personnel Committee/Library
	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts #444/FH, Narthex, Rm A
Wed, Oct 09	10:00	a.m.	PW Circle #3/Library
	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/FH
	12:00	p.m.	Room D/counseling
	6:00	p.m.	Casual Worship Music Practice/Room A
	6:00	p.m.	Handbell Practice/Sanctuary
	7:30	p.m.	Chancel Choir/Room A
Thur, Oct 10	8:00	a.m.	Men's Bible Study/Narthex
	6:30	p.m.	Cub Scout #444/Fellowship Hall
Fri, Oct 11	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex

Sunday School ~ 10:00 a.m.

- **<u>KidZone</u>** 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. (10am in Room A this week!)
- <u>Adult Bible Study</u> meets in Room D to discuss the weekly Lectionary text. Everyone is welcome. Contact Elizabeth Wilson with questions. (No class this week.)
- <u>Pastor Matt's Class</u> 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. (No class this week.)
- **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. (No class this week.)



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



http://tinvurl.com/FPCe-giving

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