



Farragut  
Presbyterian  
Church



January 19, 2025 11:00 a.m.

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\*We invite you to stand as able.

*~The Gathering~*

GREETING

Rev. Matt Nieman

PRELUDE

*Quem pastores*

Willan

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CALL TO WORSHIP

God of the feast, God of abundance,  
**you are always turning water into fine wine.**  
Though the wine has run out,  
**you work miracles among us.**  
Though the work feels impossible,  
**you accomplish wonders through us.**  
Though many fail to perceive it,  
**you reveal your glory among us.**  
Help us to receive your good gifts this day,  
**that we might learn to put our faith in you. Amen.**

\*HYMN #263

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

St. Denio

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty God, we confess that we have been led astray by the idols of our world. We have depended on our possessions and have not placed our trust in your grace. We have carelessly consumed the gifts you offer and have failed to be faithful stewards of the earth's resources. We have sought security in the might of the sword rather than the strength of your Holy Spirit. Forgive us, we pray. Lead us to true repentance that we may serve you faithfully.**

*(please continue in silent prayer)*

\*KYRIE ELEISON

Conditor alme siderum

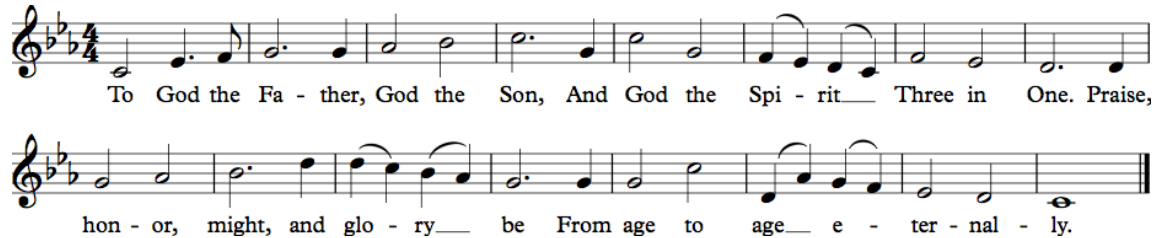


Cre - a - tor of the stars of night, Your peo - ple's  
ev - er - last - ing light, O Christ, Re - deem - er of  
us all, We pray You hear us when we call.

\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

\*GLORIA PATRI

Truro



To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, And God the Spi - rit Three in One. Praise,  
hon - or, might, and glo - ry be From age to age e - ter - nal - ly.

\*THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## ~The Word~

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Gary Heidinger

**Gracious God, by the power of the Holy Spirit, quicken our understanding that we may receive the testimony of Scripture and believe in the signs that reveal your presence. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Isaiah 62:1-5

[Pew Bible pg. 692]

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 36

Dr. Angela Batey, cantor

Hopson

Krista Belding and Brenda Luggie, handbells

Sing! Sing! Lift ev - 'ry\_\_ voice! Sing to the Lord; O\_\_  
sing, re - joice! Let your songs ring out! Lift  
ev - 'ry\_\_ voice! Let your songs ring out! O\_\_ sing, re - joice!

Your gifts, O Lord, surpass the heav'ns, your faithful ways, the clouds above.  
How matchless are your righteous ways; how dear is your redeeming love. **(R)**

Beneath the shadow of your wings, your people banquet at your board;  
They drink the cup of pure delights and taste the pleasure of the Lord. **(R)**

God is the well-spring of my life, and in God's light, I light shall see.  
The pure of heart true favor find, and in God's law their liberty. **(R)**

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SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: John 2:1-11

[Pew Bible pg. 93]

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

“The Best Stuff”

Rev. Matt Nieman

*~The Response~*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH –*from the Confession of '67*

**We believe that Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the Church's mission. His life as one of us involves the Church in the common life of humanity. His service commits the Church to work for every form of human welfare. His suffering makes the Church sensitive to all suffering so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of the poor, sick, and oppressed. His crucifixion discloses to the Church God's judgement on our inhumanity and the awful consequences of our own complicity in injustice. The Church follows this pattern in its life and in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord.**

THE ANTHEM

*Many Gifts, One Spirit*  
Chancel Choir

Allen Pote

Many gifts, one spirit, many songs, one voice.  
Many reasons, one promise, many questions, one choice.

O God, we pray for unity, give guidance from above.  
In our differences unite us in the circle of your love.

O God, remind us we are not alone.  
Though we move on different pathways, we are walking to your throne.

Help us learn to love each other, show us ways to understand.  
We are members of one family, growing strong by joining hands.

Take our many ways of working, blend the colors of each soul  
into the beauty of a rainbow, give us life, Lord, make us whole.

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 #435      *We All Are One in Mission*      Es Flog Ein Kleins Waldvogelein

\*BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE #358      *Help Us Accept Each Other*      Baronita

**Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us;  
Teach us as sister, brother, each person to embrace.  
Be present, Lord, among us and bring us to believe  
We are ourselves accepted and meant to love and live.**

\*POSTLUDE      *Let Us With Gladsome Voice*      Willan

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*Usher* ~ Gary Heidinger

*A/V Team* ~ Ken Ladrach, David Long, Mason Warren, Parker Morrell,  
Turner Neely, & Kat Wilson

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Scan this QR code and click on the generated google doc link, or

- Go to <https://tinyurl.com/record-FPC-attendance>, or
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- Sign the pew attendance pad.

### **Annual Congregational Meeting Next Sunday**

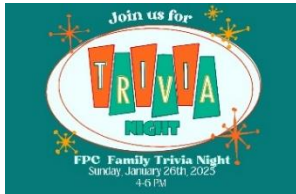
The annual meeting of the congregation will take place following both worship services next Sunday. At the meeting, we will review 2024, present the 2025 church budget, and approve changes to Pastor Matt's terms of call.

## TODAY WE CELEBRATE DAWN'S RETIREMENT

At a reception between services today, we celebrate Dawn Zilles, our exceptional and delightful Office Administrator, who retired at the end of December. We thank Dawn for her years of service with FPC and wish her the happiest retirement!



## FAMILY TRIVIA NIGHT AND SOUP POTLUCK is back!



Please join Family Ministries on Sunday, January 26, at 4:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. There will be trivia questions for ALL ages! Bring soup, bread, salad or another food item to share in the potluck.

Please RSVP with the QR code.



## STARTING TODAY! HELP STOCK THE FOOD PANTRY

Please join the Presbyterian Women, during this season of high unemployment, as we help stock the food pantry at Sunset Gap. In October, the pantry served 565 families, 2542 people, and in November (only open 3 weeks) they served 520 families, 2340 people.

**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.**

The drive will be January 19- February 9. Items can be placed in the basket in the narthex. If you have questions, contact Debbie Long.



**MIAMI UNIVERSITY OF OHIO MEN'S GLEE CLUB** is offering a free concert at FPC as part of their winter tour. Come enjoy this talented group of 40 young singers this Monday, January 20 at 6:00pm in our Sanctuary.



**Join Family Ministries for a VALENTINE'S BRUNCH** on February 9 at 10am in the Fellowship Hall. We will have a secret valentine gift exchange, photo booth, and yummy food! We will also be making valentine's cards to add to our February snack bags for the clients of Volunteer Ministry Center. Please sign up with the QR code:



**SANTA ELVES INC** is grateful for the incredible support of FPC in making Christmas a little brighter for the 70 kids and young adults we were able to help this year. On December 20, 2024, we hosted a party for the 60 kids in residence at Holston Homes for children. We had a catered dinner, took massive amounts of Polaroids, passed out small gifts (with PJ's, soft blankets, snacks, and hygiene products), and spent time enjoying each other's company to celebrate the upcoming holiday. On Christmas morning, the kids all opened their wish list boxes stuffed full of the items each child wished for. The kids and adults all had a great time at the party, and we hope that their Christmas experience showed them that their community sees and loves them. It is always our hope that any small thing we do will encourage the kids to dig in and complete their programs. In addition, your support also made it possible for us to provide wish list gifts for 10 at-risk kids living with relatives in the community.



*Santa Elves Inc. Board of Directors*

Thank you again for your love and support. We would be nothing without generosity like yours.



*Christmas Party at Holston Homes*

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

Kathy Emmerson, Marilyn Felts, Chuck Foriska, Frank Guess, Dixie Heflin, Beth and Jimmy Loyless, Brenda Luggie, Ann McAnally, Irma McGuffey, Maria Medina, Tami Newsom, Lewis Ransdell

## *This Week at FPC*

Sun, Jan 19	9am Casual Worship Service ~ 11am Traditional Worship Service		
Mon, Jan 20	9:00	a.m.	KidZone/Fellowship Hall
	5:30	p.m.	SMYG Movie Night/FH
	7:00	p.m.	Village Green HOA/Room A
	*****	*****	OFFICE CLOSED
	11:00	a.m.	Room D Reserved
Tues, Jan 21	5:00	p.m.	Church Life Committee/Library
	6:00	p.m.	Miami University Concert/Sanctuary, Room A
	10:30	a.m.	Feed the Hungry/VMC
Wed, Jan 22	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
	6:00	p.m.	Admin/Library
	7:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts #444/FH, Room A, Narthex
	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary
	12:00	p.m.	Room D/Parlor Reserved
	1:00	p.m.	PW Bible Study/Library
	2:00	p.m.	Staff Meeting/Library
Thurs, Jan 23	6:00	p.m.	Casual Worship Music Rehearsal/Room A
	6:00	p.m.	Handbell Rehearsal/Sanctuary
	7:30	p.m.	Chancel Choir/Room A
	8:00	a.m.	Men's Bible Study/Narthex
	9:00	a.m.	Property Committee/Library
	12:00	p.m.	Pastors Lunch/Library
	12:30	p.m.	Neighborhood Book Club/Room A
Fri, Jan 24	6:30	p.m.	Cub Scouts/Fellowship Hall
	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex
	7:00	p.m.	Gentle Yoga Class/Narthex

- **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 at 10:00 to discuss the weekly Lectionary text. Everyone is welcome. Contact Elizabeth Wilson with questions.
- **Pastor Matt's Class** is studying a book titled "Hope: A User's Guide," by MaryAnn McKibben Dana. 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.



### *Farragut Presbyterian Church*

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<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."*