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*We invite you to stand as able.

~ We Gather ~

Prelude

No Longer Slaves Music Ensemble

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Call To Worship

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, it was like a dream.

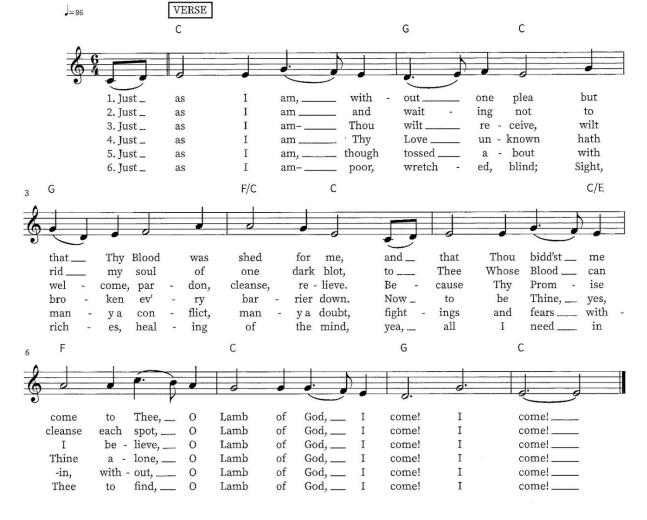
Then our mouths were filled with laughter and shouts of joy.

Then it was said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them."

The Lord has done great things for us, and we rejoiced.

Let those who plant with tears reap the harvest with joy.

Let those who go out weeping come home with shouts of joy. Let us worship God!



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*Prayer of Confession

Rev. Matt Nieman

Purifying God, we grow comfortable with the way things are in our lives, in the church, and in the world. We do not always welcome the new life you offer in Christ, for you overturn our notions of power and protocol. Sure of our own righteousness, we are critical of others. Wanting to control our assets, we hoard the gifts you give us. Forgive us, we pray, for seeking our gain at the expense of others. Help us bend our lives toward your own life of self-giving and sacrifice. Fill us, our homes and churches, the whole world, with the abundant love of Christ until all are made new.

(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

Jeff Thode

Break open the scripture through the power of your Spirit, O God. Let your word, read and proclaimed, pour out until its fragrance fills this house and our lives. Then, anointed with your word, send us out to share the good news we have received. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who is with us always. Amen.

Scripture Readings: Isaiah 43:18-21

Luke 14:15-24

[Pew Bible pg. 672]

[Pew Bible pg. 77]

Sermon

"Taking Your Seat"

Rev. Matt Nieman

- We Respond -

Affirmation of Faith (adapted from A Brief Statement of Faith)

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Musical Reflection

We Say Yes
Music Ensemble

CCLI Song #7089100 Jonathan Jay | Kyle Maloney | Nate Moore | Pat Barrett | Tony Brown

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Call for Giving



You can use the QR code to give online or place your offering in the baskets located at the Sanctuary doors. Thank you for your gifts.

- 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.

The Communion of the People

Communion Song

*At This Table*Music Ensemble

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The Prayer after Communion

~ We Go Out Into the World ~

*Closing Song

Feels Good (Upbeat Song)

C. Llewellyn | G. Gilkeson

1. Verse 1

When we live in harmony when we stand as one It makes us stronger stronger When we see our differences as a work of art The world is brighter brighter

3. Chorus

It feels good when we're together
It feels good when we belong
It feels right when we're united
No divides livin' life as one

5. Bridge

Brothers sisters brighter stronger,
Brothers sisters better together (Chorus)

2. Pre-Chorus

What we all really need right now Is an upbeat song to sing An upbeat song to sing

4. <u>Verse 2</u>

Tell me why we're fighting can't we just get along 'Cause we are brothers sisters Nothing strong as family nothing breaks us apart 'Cause life is better together (Pre-Chorus & Chorus)

Today's music ensemble:

Sandra Bohlken, piano & vocals ~ Charles Needham, bass guitar ~ Kevin Zetina, percussion Eva Quinley and Shannon Needham, vocals

Usher ~ Janet Tinder

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

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.

Announcements



joyfully invite you to celebrate their wedding

on May 31, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at RiverView Family Farm 12130 Prater Lane Knoxville, TN 37922

Reception & Dinner to follow

Due to limitations on space at the venue

please RSVP no later than April 20th



online at: https://tinyurl.com/NiemanWeddingRSVP

<u>Fellowship & Events</u>



So we have enough food and seating for the Palm Sunday
Brunch,
kindly RSVP at:
http://tinyurl.com/FPC
-PalmSundayBrunch,
use the QR code, or email the church office.



Come support our church-sponsored

Boy Scout Troop #444 at their annual Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser!

Saturday, April 12 between 5pm and 8pm in Fellowship Hall





CALLING ALL SHEPHERDS!

Shepherds will be gathering on Monday, April 14 from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in Room A.

We look forward to seeing everyone!

~Your Shepherd Coordinators You are invited to join us for our annual

Easter Egg Hunt on

Sunday, April 20th, 2025 at 10 am!

We will gather in the Fellowship Hall and kids will be given the opportunity to hunt for Easter Eggs on the playground. Easter bags will be provided for kids to use while hunting for eggs, so please do not bring personal baskets. While RSVPs are not required



they are encouraged in order to ensure we have more than enough eggs for everyone!



For more information, please contact Director of Family Ministries, Mason Warren, masonwarren@fpctn.org.



Spring Concert

Sunday, May 04, 6:00 p.m.
The Contemporary
Acappella Ensembles
of the University of Tennessee
School of Music



Growing in Our Faith

Prayer Mosaic

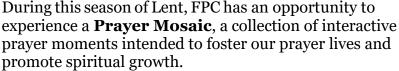


Lego Prayers

Nothing is too big or small to take to
God in prayer. Make a cross shape on
the baseboard with each brick
representing a prayer to Jesus.

String Prayer
Write a prayer on a piece of paper.
Then take a piece of string and
weave it between pins. When the
length of string is

used up, fold your paper and put it under the pin as a symbol of giving that prayer to God for Him to take care of.



You will find 7 prayer stations set up around the sanctuary, in the narthex, and in the entry near the church office. We encourage you to take a moment and pause at a prayer station. Read the framed instructions and take a moment to commune with God in a short prayer activity. This experience can be done independently, as a couple, or as a family. This can be done before worship, after worship, during church office hours, really any time the church building is open. Anyone and everyone is welcome to participate. There is no wrong way to pray, only different ways to pray. This experience invites you to find new ways to connect with God.

These prayer stations will be available through the Lent season.

Sunday School at FPC

- KidZone: Children ages 3-9 meet in the Fellowship Hall at 9am to learn about the love of God through Bible verses, songs, videos and fun activities.
- Join the Youth Sunday School class on Sundays at 10am in the Café as they "Hike the NT"! Each week, youth will explore a specific book of the New Testament utilizing videos and discussion. For more information, contact Director of Family Ministries, Mason Warren at masonwarren@fpctn.org.
- Adult Bible Study meets in Room D at 10:00am to discuss the weekly Lectionary text. Everyone is welcome. Contact Elizabeth Wilson with questions.
- Pastor Matt's Class is doing a Lenten study titled "Meeting Jesus at the Table" by Cynthia M. Campbell and Christine Coy Fohr. Join us in the library at 10:00am.

Prayers for Our Church Family

Ongoing prayers for

Pat Dail, Marilyn Felts, Dean Fleming, Chuck Foriska, David Greaser, Frank Guess, Dixie Heflin, Beth and Jimmy Loyless, Ann McAnally, Irma McGuffey, Maria Medina, Tami Newsom

Donations

TODAY is the last day to drop off your gently used items for the Posies for the Pantry Bargain Shed!



FPC Family Ministries is gearing up for our annual Easter Egg Hunt occurring on Sunday, April 20th, but we need YOUR help!

We would greatly appreciate donations of a dozen filled plastic eggs (treats, prizes, and candy without nuts kindly requested)! These donations can be dropped off with Director of Family Ministries, Mason Warren at any time between now and Sunday, April 13th.



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING SPECIAL OFFERINGS

HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT

This PC(USA) Special Offering will be collected on Easter Sunday to support outreach programs in over 100 countries.

Each gift to ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING helps improve the lives of the suffering and the vulnerable through three life-saving programs: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People.

To learn more about how your gift makes a difference, visit pcusa.org/oghs.

Please join us



PALM SUNDAY, April 13

One worship service at 10am with Chidren's Palm Processional followed by a Congregational Brunch

GOOD FRIDAY, April 18

Good Friday Service at 12 noon

MAUNDY THURSDAY, April 17

Worship Service at 7pm in the Sanctuary

EASTER SERVICES, April 20

9am Casual and 11am Traditional worship services with Children's Easter Egg Hunt at 10am

Easter Flowers

It has long been our tradition to decorate the sanctuary with flowers during the Easter season. If you would like to help us offset the cost of decorating the church for Easter by making a contribution in honor or memory of a loved one, just fill out this form and include cash or your check made payable to: Farragut Presbyterian Church, with "Easter Flowers" designated in the memo line. Place your donation and this form in the basket or drop them off in the church office. The cost per plant is \$10.00, however, your gift may be in any amount. There will be a special insert acknowledging gifts on Easter Sunday.

I am making a gift towards Easter decorations, to the glory of God and:

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

In Honor/Memory of(Circle one)
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Donated by:
My donation of $\$ is attached. I am paying by: $\$ cash $\$ check $\$ $\$

This Week at FPC

Sun, Apr 6	9am Casual Worship Service ~ 11am Traditional Worship Service			
	9:00	a.m.	KidZone/Fellowship Hall	
	5:30	p.m.	Youth Group/Parlor (Café)	
Mon, Apr 7	10:00	a.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex	
	11:00	a.m.	Room D Reserved	
	11:00	a.m.	Outreach Committee/Library	
Tues, Apr 8	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, Room A, Narthex	
Wed, Apr 9	10:00	a.m.	PW Circle #3/Library	
	12:00	p.m.	Room D Reserved	
	12:00	p.m.	Big Fish Chapel/Sanctuary	
	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	
Thurs, Apr 10	8:00	a.m.	Men's Bible Study/Narthex	
	6:30	p.m.	Cub Scouts/Fellowship Hall	
Fri, Apr 11	10:00	p.m.	Chair Yoga/Narthex	
	7:00	p.m.	Gentle Yoga Class/Narthex	
Sat, Apr 12	9:00	a.m.	Posies for the Pantry/Parking Lot, FH	
	5:00	p.m.	Boy Scouts Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser/FH	





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<u>Church Office Hours:</u> 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."