



Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 7, 2024 • 10:00 AM



Adora, Through the Roof

This Is God's House. All Are Welcome.

Welcome to Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church

Whether you are visiting for the first time, or are a longtime member, we are blessed to have you with us.

The cover of this bulletin reads, “This Is God’s House. All Are Welcome.” We take these words seriously. We strive to be a community as diverse and hospitable as God’s kingdom. We don’t all look or act alike; God knows we don’t all think alike. We don’t all read the Bible the same way. We bring different questions, and we carry different burdens. But every Sunday, gathered in the Sanctuary and online, we worship together as one.

In this grand old church, we do Sunday morning in some pretty traditional (very Presbyterian) ways. We study the teachings and the actions of Jesus. We sing many of the same hymns our grandparents sang. Yet, in our preaching and our prayers, we wrestle with the challenges of the modern world. I hope your heart will hear something personal and relevant this morning—a word of comfort, a spur to action, a call to a deeper relationship with God.

After the service, please stick around. Introduce yourself to one of our clergy or someone at our Welcome Table. We have lots of programs and community groups to feed your soul and expand your spirit. Try one out. You never know—you just might be home!

Scott Black Johnston
Senior Pastor

➔ New to Fifth Avenue?

Please fill out the welcome card you will find in your pew. Place the card in the offering plate, hand it to an usher, or drop it off at the Welcome Table (inside the Fifth Avenue entrance). You may also complete the welcome form online at fapc.org/welcome. Our friends at the Welcome Table can provide you with information about our ministries, programs and volunteer opportunities.

➔ Large-Print Bulletins

Please speak with an usher if you would like to use a large-print bulletin or hymnal to follow the service.

➔ Families with Children

Children are always welcome in worship! You will find children’s Bibles in the first 10 rows of pews on the far north side of the Sanctuary. Ushers can also provide children’s bulletins and worship bags. If you need to leave the service to attend to your child, the ushers can direct you to the nearest changing table and livestream monitor. We provide childcare for infants and toddlers from 9:30 to 11:30 am in the LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.

➔ Worship Resources Online

A replay of today’s service will be available this afternoon at fapc.org/playback. This morning’s Prayers of the People can be found at fapc.org/pray. Details about the upcoming service each week can be found at fapc.org/this-sunday. For information about future worship services, visit fapc.org/worship.

➔ Parking

We have a parking arrangement with the garage at 51 W. 56th St. For \$16, you may park for up to three hours, seven days a week. Please provide your mobile phone number or an email address to the staff person at the 55th Street reception desk. You will receive a QR code to use at the garage. (The garage no longer provides physical validation stickers.)

ORDER OF WORSHIP

As the Prelude begins, we invite you into a period of quiet reflection as we prepare for worship.
*Please **silence all electronic devices** and **do not take flash photos** during the service.*

PRELUDE

Elegy • *George Thalben-Ball* (1896–1987)

Prelude on “Land of Rest” • *Richard Proulx* (1937–2010)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Deacon Betsy Ross

Psalm 105

One: Give thanks to the Lord and call upon God’s name;
make known the deeds of the Lord
among the peoples.

**All: Sing to the Lord, sing praises,
and speak of all God’s marvelous works.**

One: Glory in God’s holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

**All: Search for the Lord and the strength of the Lord;
continually seek the face of God.**

One: Let us worship God, tender and just.

* HYMN 394

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

* CALL TO CONFESSION

The Rev. Werner Ramirez

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word and deed, by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**In your mercy, forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.**

Silent Reflection and Confession

* SUNG RESPONSE

(Cantor sings once; then the congregation sings once.)



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* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* RESPONSE OF PRAISE

All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace on earth_ from heav - en,
 And God's good will un - fail - ing - ly be to all peo - ple giv - en.
 We praise, we wor - ship You, we raise to Your great glo - ry
 thanks and praise, Cre - a - tor, Son, and Spi - rit. rit.

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* PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.
 All: And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Rev. Dr. Jonah So

SOLO

The Lord is my Shepherd from *Four Biblical Songs*, op. 99, no. 4
 Antonín Dvorák (1841–1904)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
 he leadeth me beside the still waters.
 He restoreth my soul:
 he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
 I will fear no evil: for thou art with me;
 thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

—*Psalms 23:1-4*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 2:1-12

When he returned to Capernaum after some days, it was reported that he was at home. So many gathered around that there was no longer room for them, not even in front of the door; and he was speaking the word to them. Then some people came, bringing to him a paralyzed man, carried by four of them. And when they could not bring him to Jesus because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him; and after having dug through it, they let down the mat on which the paralytic lay. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven." Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, "Why does

this fellow speak in this way? It is blasphemy! Who can forgive sins but God alone?" At once Jesus perceived in his spirit that they were discussing these questions among themselves; and he said to them, "Why do you raise such questions in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Stand up and take your mat and walk'? But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins" —he said to the paralytic— "I say to you, stand up, take your mat and go to your home." And he stood up, and immediately took the mat and went out before all of them; so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!"

One: This is the Word of God; for the People of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Charlene Han Powell

"Do I Have to Go to Church to Be a Christian? Part 2"

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from A Brief Statement of Faith, Presbyterian Church (USA)

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers
in the one body of Christ, the Church.
With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Amen.**

* SUNG RESPONSE

You on - ly are the Ho - ly One, who came for our sal - va - tion,
And on - ly You are God's true Son, who was be - fore cre - a - tion.
You on - ly, Christ, as Lord we own, and, with the Spir - it,
You a - lone share in the Fa - ther's glo - ry.

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CALL TO GIVE

The Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike

OFFERTORY SOLO

Laudate Dominum from *Vesperae solennes de confessore*
W.A. Mozart (1756–1791)

<i>Laudate Dominum omnes gentes</i>	Praise the Lord, all nations;
<i>Laudate eum, omnes populi</i>	Praise him, all people.
<i>Quoniam confirmata est</i>	For he has bestowed
<i>Super nos misericordia eius,</i>	His mercy upon us,
<i>Et veritas Domini manet in aeternum.</i>	And the truth of the Lord endures forever.
<i>Gloria Patri et Filio</i>	Glory to the Father and to the Son
<i>et Spiritui Sancto.</i>	and to the Holy Spirit,
<i>Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper.</i>	as it was in the beginning, is now, and forever,
<i>Et in saecula saeculorum.</i>	and for generations of generations.
<i>Amen.</i>	Amen.

* DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Amen.**

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy God, we praise you.

Let the heavens be joyful, and the earth be glad.

We bless you for creating the whole world, for your promises to your people Israel,
and for Jesus Christ, in whom your fullness dwells.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of the
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the
 pow - er and might, Heav'n and earth are
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
 full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Born of Mary, he shares our life.
 Eating with sinners, he welcomes us.
 Guiding his children, he leads us.
 Visiting the sick, he heals us.
 Dying on the cross, he saves us.
 Rising from the dead, he gives new life.
 Living with you, he prays for us.
 Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died; Christ is ris - en; Christ will come a - gain.
 Christ has died; Christ is ris - en; Christ will come a - gain.

With thanksgiving we take this bread and this cup
 and proclaim the death and resurrection of our Lord.
 Receive our sacrifice of praise.
 Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us, that this meal may be a communion
 in the body and blood of our Lord.
 Make us one with Christ and with all who share this feast.
 Unite us in faith, encourage us with hope, inspire us to love,
 that we may serve as your faithful disciples until we feast at your table in glory.
 We praise you, eternal God, through Christ your Word made flesh,
 in the holy and life-giving Spirit, now and forever.

A - men, a - men, a - - - men.

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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.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Panis Angelicus • César Franck (1822–1890)

<i>Panis angelicus</i>	Bread of Angels,
<i>fit panis hominum;</i>	made the bread of men;
<i>Dat panis caelicus</i>	The Bread of heaven
<i>figuris terminum:</i>	puts an end to all symbols:
<i>O res mirabilis!</i>	A thing wonderful!
<i>manducat Dominum</i>	The Lord becomes our food:
<i>Pauper, servus, et humilis.</i>	poor, a servant, and humble.
<i>Te trina Deitas</i>	We beseech thee,
<i>unaque poscimus:</i>	Godhead One in Three
<i>Sic nos tu visita,</i>	That thou wilt visit us,
<i>sicut te colimus;</i>	as we worship thee,
<i>Per tuas semitas</i>	lead us through thy ways,
<i>duc nos quo tendimus,</i>	We who wish to reach the light
<i>Ad lucem quam inhabitas.</i>	in which thou dwellest.
<i>Amen.</i>	Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

* HYMN 157

I Danced in the Morning

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Marche pour Sortie • Pierre Kunc (1865–1941)

The ministry of music this morning is offered by:
Dr. Patrick Kreeger, *Associate Organist* • Rachel Mikol, *Soloist*

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

If You Are in Need of Prayer

Deacons (wearing white stoles) are available to pray with you after the service. Your prayers are confidential unless you request that they be shared with our Congregational Care staff. You may also complete a prayer request card (available in the pews and at the entrances) and place it in the offering plate or hand to an usher. You may submit prayer requests online at fapc.org/prayer-requests.

Please pray for:

Ann Alexander, Pat Backus, Patricia Blair, Neta Beberino, Helen Betzaia, Becky Bjornstad Benjamin Bradley, Britta Cabanos, Pastor Toribio Cajiuat, Ella Calderon, Denise Campbell Nina S. Campbell, Phoebe Chiu, Sookjoong Choi, Anne Coffey, Dr. Johanna Cook, Eugenia Connerat Edna Craddock, William Cuffee, Athanassia Doucas, Sherian Edgreen, David Elissa and Barbara Mitchell, Michael Elissa, Narmella Elissa, Sohn Fong, Irene P. Gilman, Anthea and Neville Graham, Florence Hall, Torian Hall, Wanda Roush Hannan, Peter S. Hawkins Christopher Henderson, Donna Marie Henderson, Maggie Hendrix, Emi Iwaida, Juliet Kaldanie Frederick Loomis, Louis Sterling King, Ceciwa Khonje, Janet Lamberth, Richard J. Lawson Mary Lowry, Lauren Ma, The McCall Family, Lynn and Gerry Nagy, Frank Owarish, Dexter Ramcharan Don Rogers, Ramon Rosa, Pauline Sample, Robert Scheuer, Nancy Seelig, Tshombe Selby Taylor Shultz, Bonnie Smith, Monica Smith, Spencer Robert Smith, Willie Gerald Smith Frieda Sompotan, Neva Strom, Rocco Tannehill, Harold Tither, Susan Tobiason, Henny Waisapy Bill Wanek, Warren White, Suzanne Wilks, Sylvia Winrich, Deborah Wurgler, Doris Wurgler Priscilla Young-Rodgers, Wayne Zhou

Faithful Departed:

June 28, 2024: Susan Colt, beloved sister of Carmencita Rodriguez.

If you would like to add a name to the church prayer list or the list of faithful departed, please contact Natalie Wardius (congregationalcare@fapc.org, 212.247.0490).

CALENDAR

Today

- 9:30 am** **Little Lambs & Youth Group.** LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.
- 10 am** **Worship.** Sanctuary.
- 11:15 pm** **Coffee Hour.** Bonnell Hall and online.
- Tour the Church.** Meet at the rear of the Sanctuary following worship. Look for a docent in the back of the Sanctuary with a “tour starts here” sign.
- 3 pm** **Believing and Belonging Membership Class.** Sign-up at fapc.org/membership.

This Week

- Sat July 13** **Meals on Heels.** 8:30 am • Bonnell Hall. Volunteers prepare and deliver meals to homebound neighbors. New volunteers are welcome and needed! Contact: John Wyatt (moh@fapc.org).
- Sun July 14** **Worship.** 10 am • Sanctuary & Livestream. The Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike, preaching.
- Bagels and Bible.** 11:45 am • 7th Floor Conference Room. Calling all those 40s+ to join the Rev. Dr. Jonah So for bagels and Bible study.

Coming Up

- Sat July 20** **Meals on Heels.** 8:30 am • Bonnell Hall.
- Sun July 21** **Worship.** 10 am • Sanctuary & Livestream. The Rev. Sarah A. Speed, preaching.
- Kids Bible Adventure.** 10 am – 1 pm • LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center. Register at fapc.org/adventure.
- Sat July 27** **Meals on Heels.** 8:30 am • Bonnell Hall.
- Sun July 28** **Worship.** 10 am • Sanctuary & Livestream. The Rev. Werner Ramirez, preaching.
- Sat Aug 3** **FAYA Long Island City Brewery Tour.** 3 pm • Focal Point Brewery. If you have questions, dm the FAYA Instagram account ([@fapcfaya](https://www.instagram.com/fapcfaya)).
- Sun Aug 4** **Worship.** 10 am • Sanctuary & Livestream. The Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike, preaching.
- Sun Aug 11** **Worship.** 10 am • Sanctuary & Livestream. The Rev. Dr. Jonah So, preaching.
- Sat Aug 17** **FAYA at the Playa Beach Day.** Location TBD. To learn more about the meet-up location and timing, send a direct message to the FAYA Instagram account ([@fapcfaya](https://www.instagram.com/fapcfaya)).
- Sun Aug 18** **Worship.** 10 am • Sanctuary & Livestream. The Rev. Dr. Jonah So, preaching.
- Women’s Ministry: White Elephant Book Swap.** 11:30 am. Grab a beloved book for a women’s ministry book swap!

Next Sunday • Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

“Into the Boat” • Mark 6:45-52

The Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike, preaching.

NEWS & EVENTS

Today: Welcome the Rev. Dr. Charlene Han Powell

The Rev. Dr. Charlene Han Powell grew up in the East Bay area of California, but journeyed east to study for the ministry and accept her first call. She spent ten years here at Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church—first as Associate Pastor, leading adult education and community groups, family ministries, and young adults; and later as Executive Pastor, overseeing the programming and administrative operations of the church. In October 2020, she was called home, and currently serves as the Senior Pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Berkeley, California.

Today: Believing and Belonging Membership Class

Join us for Believing & Belonging, a new member class. Led by the Rev. Sarah A. Speed and Ashley Gonzalez, director of engagement, this class focuses on getting to know one another, learning about the history and mission of this church, and understanding more about the Presbyterian tradition. Even if you are not sure about membership, you are welcome to come and learn more about the church. To find out more, reach out to membership@fapc.org or sign-up at fapc.org/membership.

Sunday, July 21: Kids Summer Bible Adventure

All kids in preschool through 5th grade are invited to join us for a fun day discovering the story of Esther! There will be time for games, crafts, songs, Bible stories, and more! There will also be a pizza lunch. We will meet in the LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center at 10 am. Parents! Plan to attend worship at 10 am and then head for brunch or a walk in the park before picking your kids up at 1 pm! The cost for the day is \$10, please register at fapc.org/adventure.

Sunday, July 21: Summer Sermon Series Kick-off!

In the ever-divisive world we live in, people ask—*Why church? Why do you go to worship? Why are you a Christian? Why do you join?* This summer we want to explore those deep questions and see what the wisdom of scripture and tradition have to offer. Come hear the perspective you might be missing. Join us as the Rev. Sarah A. Speed kicks off the series with her last sermon before her new call to Second Presbyterian Church in Kansas City as we ask together—“Why church?”

Sunday, July 28: Early Bird Registration Deadline for 2025 Scotland Trip

We are thrilled to invite you to join us on an exciting trip to Scotland! Join Jamie Staehle, Director of Christian Education, and explore the rich history and heritage of the Presbyterian Church. You'll visit historic sites, delve into our shared faith's deep-rooted traditions, and enjoy the breathtaking landscapes. Traveling with friends is the best kind of travel! Sign up for this unforgettable journey to make memories and deepen our faith together. Secure your spot by July 28, to receive a discount. To learn more and register visit fapc.org/scotland.

Congregational Meeting

There will be a congregational meeting at 11 am on Sunday, July 21, immediately following the worship service to vote on dismissing with gratitude the Rev. Sarah A. Speed as Associate Pastor. All members are encouraged to attend. Following this brief meeting, there will be a special reception celebrating Sarah and Ryan Speed in Bonnell Hall.

GETTING CONNECTED

Adult Education

Each spring and fall, we offer courses in theology and Scripture, spirituality, social issues and other disciplines. The curriculum includes visiting authors, interfaith dialogue and other events. We offer classes in person, online and via podcast. All classes are free and open to all. Information on upcoming classes is available at fapc.org/adult-ed.

Community Groups

Want stronger relationships? Community groups make that possible. We have over 20 community groups to help you form closer bonds within the Fifth Avenue family. Options available online and in-person. Learn more at fapc.org/community-groups, or contact Ashley Gonzalez-Grissom, director of engagement (membership@fapc.org).

Congregational Care

If you (or others you know in our congregation) are going through a difficult time, we are here for you. We have a team of dedicated staff and volunteers who are available for counseling, home and hospital visits, medical escorts and prayer. You may also visit fapc.org/care to submit a prayer request and learn more about our Congregational Care program.

Family Ministries

Family Ministries brings together families from diverse backgrounds to nurture healthy children and strong, faithful families. Our Little Lambs nursery for infants and toddlers is available every Sunday; our summer hours are from 9:30 to 11:30 am. Sunday School and Youth Group take place at 9:30 am during the program year (**September through May**). Children depart the 11 am worship service to attend Children's Church every Sunday (**except for our summer break, from June 25 until Homecoming**). We also sponsor special events for families and kids throughout the year. Learn more (and register your child) at fapc.org/family. Contact: Jaime Staehle (212.247.0490 ext 3003, familyministries@fapc.org).

FAYA | Fifth Avenue Young Adults

FAYA is an open and affirming community for those in their 20s and 30s, led by the Rev. Sarah Speed. During the program year, we meet every Wednesday night for small groups, supper, Bible study and fellowship. Find out more about our weekly gatherings, monthly fellowship events and weekend retreats at fapc.org/faya or on Instagram [@fapcfaya](https://www.instagram.com/fapcfaya). Or contact Sarah (youngadults@fapc.org). We'd love to get to know you!

Membership

When we say "All are welcome," we mean it. Whether you live in the neighborhood, or across the country, we welcome you to join our family of faith. Through our Believing and Belonging seminars, you explore what it means to be a part of the Christian church, the Presbyterian tradition and Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church. Whether you're sure membership is right for you, or you're just beginning to wonder if this might be your spiritual home, we'd love to have you in an upcoming in-person or online class. Visit fapc.org/membership to register, or contact Ashley Gonzalez-Grissom, director of engagement (212.247.0490 ext 3005, membership@fapc.org).

Music & Arts

Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church is home to a versatile program of music and arts in our worship and community life that endeavors to inspire, challenge and comfort all who encounter it, and to provide opportunities to share our artistic gifts. In addition to the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church Choir and Chamber Choir, we offer the Fifth Avenue Community Choir for anyone who loves to sing. Visit fapc.org/choirs to learn more. The Arts & Our Faith Committee sponsors exhibitions of art, history and photography in the Chesnut Gallery, often featuring work by members of the congregation. Theatre Fellowship is a community of artists and artisans that promotes congregational fellowship through our shared love of the theater.

Outreach Ministries

Through our Outreach Ministries, hundreds of members and friends of the church are engaged in volunteering, advocacy and service. Our programs include our Befriending Ministry on behalf of our neighbors experiencing homelessness; the Ecumenical Outreach Partnership, a collaborative ministry with Saint Thomas Church and St. Patrick's Cathedral that serves the homeless population of Midtown; A Place at the Table, a twice-weekly sidewalk lunch for our homeless and hungry neighbors; and Meals on Heels, Saturday-morning meal preparation and delivery to homebound seniors. We also maintain mission partner relationships with local, national and international organizations. Our current mission partners are:

Asylum Support Clinic	Mission co-workers in Madagascar,
Church of Gethsemane	the Philippines & the U.S.–Mexico border
The Farminary Project	Parity
Garden of Hope	Search and Care
Hands Along the Nile Development Services	Urban Outreach Center NYC
Holmes Camp and Retreat Center	West Side Federation for Senior
Ministry of Hope Lesotho	and Supportive Housing

To learn more, visit fapc.org/outreach, or contact Christine Boyle, director of outreach and missions (212.247.0490 ext 3006, outreach@fapc.org).

Volunteering

Volunteering is one of the most important ways we show that God's house is truly a place where all are welcome. Each week, members of this community serve as ushers and greeters, prepare and deliver meals to the homebound, provide comfort and support to the elderly, lead tours for members and visitors, and work with the underserved of New York City. To learn more about our diverse volunteer opportunities, and how you can join in, visit fapc.org/volunteer.

Fifth Avenue Women's Ministry

For generations, the women of Fifth Avenue have gathered for service, fellowship, and deeper faith. Standing on the shoulders of those who have gone before, we continue to connect and would love to include you in our community. The women's ministry at Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church is trans affirming and welcoming to women of any age and stage. We meet for annual retreats, fellowship events, Bible study, and small groups. To learn more and get involved, email the Rev. Sarah A. Speed at womensministry@fapc.org or visit fapc.org/women.

The Session

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, *Moderator* • The Rev. Dr. Jonah So, *Executive Pastor*

The Rev. Werner Ramirez, *Associate Pastor* • The Rev. Sarah Speed, *Associate Pastor*

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CLERGY & STAFF



The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston *Senior Pastor*

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