



FIFTH AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SUNDAY  
JANUARY 14, 2018 • 11:00 AM



Bernardo Strozzi, *Elijah and the Widow of Zarephath*, 1630

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THIS IS GOD'S HOUSE. ALL ARE WELCOME.

## WELCOME TO FIFTH AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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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, 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. Take a tour of the church. Have a cup of coffee with us. Introduce yourself to one of our clergy. There are tons of opportunities here to feed your soul and expand your spirit. Try one out. You never know—you just might be home!

**Scott Black Johnston**  
Senior Pastor

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### If You Are New Here

Please fill out the Welcome card you will find in your welcome packet or in your pew. Place the card in the offering plate, hand it to an usher, or drop it off at the Visitors Table (inside the Fifth Avenue entrance). You may also complete the Welcome card online at [fapc.org/welcome](http://fapc.org/welcome). The folks at the Visitors Table can provide you with information about our ministries and programs, volunteer opportunities, and the history of this congregation, which has served New York City since 1808. We also invite you on a guided tour of the church, starting from the rear of the Sanctuary shortly after the service.

### These May Help During the Service

If you would like a large-print bulletin or a hearing-enhancement device, please ask an usher. We also have illustrated Bibles for children to use during the service. You may return these materials to the rear of the Chapel or Sanctuary after the service.

### 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 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/pray](http://fapc.org/pray).

### Advice on Parking

We have a parking arrangement with the garage at 51 W. 56th St. For \$16, you may park Monday–Friday from 5 pm –12 am, or anytime until 1 am on Saturday, Sunday and holidays (12 hours maximum). Ask for discount coupons at the 55th Street entrance.

### Visit Us During the Week

The Sanctuary, Kirkland Chapel and Columbarium are open seven days a week for prayer and reflection. See the building hours listed on the back of the bulletin.




### Worship Resources Online

You will find information about future worship services (including the bulletin for the upcoming Sunday) at [fapc.org/worship](http://fapc.org/worship). Recorded sermons are available at [fapc.org/sermons](http://fapc.org/sermons) and via podcast on iTunes. This morning’s Prayers of the People can be found at [fapc.org/pray](http://fapc.org/pray).

## 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 Gospel Prelude on "Jesus Loves Me" • *William Bolcom (b. 1938)*
- INTROIT I Believe This Is Jesus  
*Traditional Spiritual, arr. Undine Smith Moore (1904–1989)*  
I believe this is Jesus; come and see, come and see.  
The Light of God shines in his face,  
He offers all his pard'ning grace;  
Come and see, come and see.
- \* CALL TO WORSHIP *Micah 6*  
*Elder Jeanne Lehman French*  
One: With what shall we come before the Holy One,  
and bow ourselves before God on high?  
**All: God has shown us what is good.**  
One: What does the Holy One require of us?  
**All: To do justice,**  
One: and to love kindness,  
**All: and to walk humbly with our God.**  
One: Let us worship God, tender and just.
- \* HYMN 408 **There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit**
- \* 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.)  
  
To you, O God, I lift my soul, to you, I lift my soul.---

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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.

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\* PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

*Children (pre-K through third grade) are invited to the front of the Sanctuary to depart for Children's Church. If this is your child's first time in Children's Church, please fill out the purple label in the pew rack and affix to your child's back.*

LITANY OF PARTING

**Congregation: May God be with you there.**

**Children: May God be with you here.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston*

ANTHEM

“Nobody Knows” and “Steal Away” from *A Child of Our Time*  
*Traditional Spirituals, arr. Michael Tippett (1905–1998)*

Nobody knows the trouble I see, Lord,  
Nobody knows the trouble I see.  
Nobody knows the trouble I see, Lord,  
Nobody knows like Jesus.

O brothers, pray for me,  
And help me to drive old Satan away.

O mothers, pray for me,  
And help me to drive old Satan away.

Steal away, steal away, steal away to Jesus;  
Steal away, steal away home,  
I ain't got long to stay here.

My Lord, he calls me, he calls me by the thunder,  
The trumpet sounds within my soul,  
I ain't got long to stay here.

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Green trees a-bending, poor sinner stands a-trembling,  
The trumpet sounds within my soul,  
I ain't got long to stay here.

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

## SCRIPTURE LESSONS

### **1 Kings 17**

Now Elijah the Tishbite, of Tishbe in Gilead, said to Ahab, "As the Lord the God of Israel lives, before whom I stand, there shall be neither dew nor rain these years, except by my word." The word of the Lord came to him, saying, "Go from here and turn eastward, and hide yourself by the Wadi Cherith, which is east of the Jordan. You shall drink from the wadi, and I have commanded the ravens to feed you there." So he went and did according to the word of the Lord; he went and lived by the Wadi Cherith, which is east of the Jordan. The ravens brought him bread and meat in the morning, and bread and meat in the evening; and he drank from the wadi. But after a while the wadi dried up, because there was no rain in the land.

Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you." So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink." As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." But she said, "As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die." Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the Lord the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the Lord sends rain on the earth." She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill; his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. She then said to Elijah, "What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance, and to cause the death of my son!" But he said to her, "Give me your son." He took him from her bosom, carried him up into the upper chamber where he was lodging, and laid him on his own bed. He cried out to the Lord, "O Lord my God, have you brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I am staying, by killing her son?" Then he stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried out to the Lord, "O Lord my God, let this child's life come into him again." The Lord listened to the voice of Elijah; the life of the child came into him again, and he revived. Elijah took the child, brought him down from the upper chamber into the house, and gave him to his mother; then Elijah said, "See, your son is alive." So the woman said to Elijah, "Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the Lord in your mouth is truth."

### **Matthew 17:14-21**

When they came to the crowd, a man came to him, knelt before him, and said, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; he often falls into the fire and

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often into the water. And I brought him to your disciples, but they could not cure him.” Jesus answered, “You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you? How much longer must I put up with you? Bring him here to me.” And Jesus rebuked the demon, and it came out of him, and the boy was cured instantly. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, “Why could we not cast it out?” He said to them, “Because of your little faith. For truly I tell you, if you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you.”

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

SERMON

*The Rev. Dr. Cleophus J. LaRue, Jr.*

**“Stressed But Blessed”**

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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

**In a broken and fearful world**

**the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing,  
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,  
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,  
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,  
and to work with others for justice, freedom and peace.**

**In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,**

**we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks  
and to live holy and joyful lives,  
even as we watch for God’s new heaven and new earth,  
praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!” Amen.**

\* HYMN 649

**Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*The Rev. Dr. Charlene Han Powell*

THE LORD’S PRAYER

*(“...and forgive us our debts...”)*

THE OFFERING

*You may text your offering to 646.491.8331*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Elijah Rock • *Traditional Spiritual, arr. Moses Hogan (1957–2003)*

Oh Elijah, Oh Elijah...

Elijah rock, Oh...

Come on sister help me to pray,  
tell me my Lord done pass this way.

Elijah rock, shout, shout.  
Elijah rock, comin’ up Lordy.  
Elijah rock, shout, shout.  
Elijah rock, comin’ up Lord.

Satan ain’t nothin’ but a snake in the grass.  
He’s a conjur. He’s a liar.  
Hallelujah Lord.

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Elijah rock, shout, shout.  
Elijah rock, comin' up Lordy.  
Elijah rock, shout, shout.  
Elijah rock, comin' up Lord.  
  
If I could I surely would  
Stand on the rock where Moses stood.  
If I could I surely would  
Stand on the rock where Moses stood.  
  
Oh, Elijah, Oh, Elijah...  
I'm comin', I'm comin', I'm comin' up Lord.

\* DOXOLOGY

**Hymn 606**

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER

\* HYMN 339

**Lift Every Voice and Sing**

\* BENEDICTION

*Please remain in your pew until the conclusion of the Choral Response.*

\* CHORAL RESPONSE

May the Blessing of God Be upon You • *William H.M. Wright*  
*Text by R. Gordon Nodwell*

May the blessing of God be upon you.  
May God's love light all your way.  
May the grace of Christ enfold you and peace around you stay.  
May the Spirit of God dwell within you.  
May you live in joy each day

POSTLUDE

Gospel Prelude on "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"  
*William Bolcom*

The ministry of music this morning is offered by:  
The Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church Choir  
Dr. Ryan Jackson, *William S. Perper* Director of Music and Fine Arts Ministries  
Patrick Kreeger, *Associate Organist*

## WORSHIP NOTES

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In commemoration of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. national day, the choral music this morning features settings of African American spirituals by some of the foremost composers in the genre.

Undine Smith Moore was a notable and prolific female African American composer of the 20th century. Known as the “Dean of Black Women Composers,” Moore studied composition at Fisk University and The Juilliard School, from which she graduated *cum laude* in 1926. While her list of compositions includes works for piano and other instrumental ensembles, Moore is more widely known today for her choral works. *Scenes from the Life of a Martyr*, a 16-part oratorio on the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., was premiered at Carnegie Hall and nominated for a Pulitzer Prize. Her joyous setting of “I Believe This Is Jesus,” heard this morning, is a wonderful example of her distinctive style.

The Offertory Anthem, *Elijah Rock*, is one of the most famous arrangements by the great Moses Hogan, one of America’s foremost composers of African American spirituals. Hogan’s inimitable settings are sung and beloved by choirs and audiences throughout the world, and are remarkable for stylishly bridging the gap between traditional spirituals and classical choral ensembles. Although Hogan was only 45 when he passed away from a brain tumor in 2003, his legacy lives on through his many compositions and arrangements as one of the most creative and influential figures in 20th-century American choral music.

The Prelude and Postlude are solo organ settings of the traditional gospel hymns, “Jesus Loves Me” and “What a Friend We Have in Jesus,” by the American composer William Bolcom. Bolcom wrote 12 of these pieces, all of which contain a wide range of musical expression—from the beautifully sublime, to the surprising and downright gritty!



## CONGREGATIONAL CARE

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***Flowers are given to the glory of God by Susan Kempler and her sister Barbara Klink in loving memory of her parents Ray and Dorothy Richardson.***

### ***Please pray for:***

Candy Asman, Phyllis Barr, Neta Beberino, Barbara Berner, Helen Betzaia, John Blakely  
Britta Cabanos, Ella Calderon, Sookjoong Choi, Alan Chorun, Miriam Coleman  
Dr. Johanna Cook, Edna Craddock, Margaret G. Cruikshank, William Cuffee, Nancy Dawkins  
Lisa Donofrio, Athanassia Doucas, Narmella Elissa, Sterling Gillis IV, Wanda Roush Hannan  
Mary Holden, Bill Jones, Juliet Kaldanie, Susan Kempler, Louis Sterling King, Richard J. Lawson  
Stephanie Le Cornec, Jorge Martinez, Keiko Matsuzaki, The McCall Family, Jean Meek Barker  
Bernadette Micchelli, Barbara Millar, Valérie Nga Ndzana, Cecile Ngantcha, Phyllis Oblander  
Jean Prosser, Marjorie Quaife, The Ramsden Family, Jeff Rowbottom, Pauline Sample  
Taylor Shultz, Eric Smith, Spencer Robert Smith, Frieda Sompotan, Rocco Tannehill  
Steve Teelucksingh, Susan Tobiason, Stevanus & Henry Waisapy, Johnnie Walker  
Jennifer Wallis-Eifert, Warren White, Dolores Wheeler, Suzanne Wilks  
Sylvia Winrich, Deborah Wurgler

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### ***Faithful Departed:***

Dec. 21, 2017: Milton Ferguson—beloved father of Julia Ferguson and grandfather of Laura Dutilloy and Sarah Jo Dutilloy.

Dec. 27, 2017: Sherman R. Reed, III—beloved husband of Barbara N. Reed, stepfather of Tom, John, Margaret and Lauriann Foster, brother of Jean R. Andrews (Graham) and uncle of Alyce, Elizabeth and Margaret Andrews (Rosecky).

Jan. 9, 2018: Dorothy J. Richardson—beloved mother of Susan Kempler.

If you would like to be named on the church prayer list, please contact Lance Hurst (212.247.0490 ext 3007, [lhurst@fapc.org](mailto:lhurst@fapc.org)).

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### ***Caregiving Ministries***

FAPC provides space for several community-based ministries and programs. All are open to members and friends of the church. Check the lobby monitor for specific room locations.

**Alcoholics Anonymous + AA Beginners** • Monday – Thursday, 12:30 pm • [ny-aa.org](http://ny-aa.org)

**Al-Anon** • Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 12:30 pm • [nycalanon.org](http://nycalanon.org)

**A Circle of Care: Support for caregivers of persons living with Alzheimer's disease and other dementias, from Presbyterian Senior Services**

First Thursday of the month, 1–4 pm, by appointment.

Contact: Christina DeSantis ([cdesantis@pssusa.org](mailto:cdesantis@pssusa.org))

**The Compassionate Friends: A support group for grieving families**

Second & fourth Tuesdays, 7 pm • [compassionatefriends.org](http://compassionatefriends.org)

**Fifth Avenue Ecumenical Outreach: Social services for persons experiencing homelessness**

Monday – Thursday, 2–6 pm • Contact: John Sheehan, LMSW ([jsheehan@fapc.org](mailto:jsheehan@fapc.org))

**Health Advocates for Older People**

Strength & weight exercise class • Wednesdays, 11 am • [hafop.org](http://hafop.org)

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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### Today

- 9 am** **Coffee Cart.** Bonnell Hall. Continues until 1 pm.
- 9:30 am** **Worship.** Kirkland Chapel.  
**Little Lambs, Sunday School and Youth Group.** All in the LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.  
**Adult Education: Toward Our Racial Autobiography.** Bonnell Hall.
- 10:15 am** **Children's Choir.** LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.
- 11 am** **Worship.** Sanctuary.
- 11:15 am** **Children's Church.** Kirkland Chapel & Christian Education Center.
- 12:15 pm** **Meet & Greet.** The Gallery. All are invited (visitors especially!) to join the pastors, staff and fellow members for conversation and coffee after worship.
- 12:30 pm** **New Members Class: Presbyterianism 101.** Corning Logan Room.  
**Focus of NEXT.** Boardroom.
- 4 pm** **Martin Luther King, Jr. Interfaith Service.** Sanctuary. Doors open at 3:30 pm.
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### This Week

- Mon Jan 15** **Women's Association Needlework Group.** 11 am – Romeyn Room.
- Tue Jan 16** **Women's Association Luncheon.** 12 pm – Bonnell Hall.  
Followed by **Bridge** at 1:30 pm.  
**Women's Association Speaking English.** 1:30 pm – Corning Logan Room.  
**Memorial Service for Ian Rachman (a.k.a. Danny Stuart).** 5 pm – Kirkland Chapel.
- Thu Jan 18** **FAPC Community Choir Rehearsal.** 6 pm – Jones Auditorium. All are welcome.
- Sat Jan 20** **Meals on Heels.** 9:30 am – Bonnell Hall. Weekly meal preparation and delivery to homebound seniors. Contact: Bob Brennan (*moh@fapc.org*).
- Sun Jan 21** **A Circle of Caregiving: Raising Awareness About Domestic Violence.** 9:30 am – Corning Logan Room. Instructor: Navila Rashid, MSW, Womankind.  
**Special Worship Service: Singing Our Faith.** 11 am – Sanctuary.  
**Adult Education: World Christianity: A Genealogy.** 12:30 pm – Jones Auditorium. Instructor: The Rev. Dr. Dale T. Irwin.  
**New Members Class: Believing & Belonging: Becoming a Member of Fifth Avenue.** 12:30 pm – Corning Logan Room. Instructor: The Rev. Dr. Charlene Han Powell.

### **Next Sunday • Third Sunday after Epiphany**

Worship with Our Seminarians • 9:30 am, Kirkland Chapel • Morgan King, preaching  
Singing Our Faith • 11 am, Sanctuary  
*Special Music Service and Dedication of Sanctuary Organ Console*

**Welcome, Dr. Cleo LaRue!**

Fifth Avenue is delighted to welcome the Rev. Dr. Cleophus J. LaRue as our guest preacher this morning. Dr. LaRue is the Francis Landey Patton Professor of Homiletics at Princeton Theological Seminary and a longtime friend of this congregation. He formerly served as the interim pastor of congregations in Harlem and Queens, and he preached at the installation of Scott Black Johnston as our senior pastor in 2008. We are honored to have him back in our pulpit today!

**This Afternoon: National Interfaith Service**

This afternoon at 4 pm Fifth Avenue is proud to host the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. National Holiday Interfaith Service of Worship, convened by Drum Major Institute, Healing of the Nations and Repairers of the Breach. The service features a sermon by the Rev. Dr. William J. Barber, II, president of Repairers of the Breach and co-chair of the Poor People's Campaign. Other participants include the Pulitzer Prize-winning composer and trumpeter Wynton Marsalis; the Rev. Dr. James A. Forbes, Jr., senior pastor emeritus of The Riverside Church; and prominent Christian, Jewish and Muslim clergy from New York City, including Senior Pastor Scott Black Johnston. This event marks a national revival of Dr. King's unfinished work with the Poor People's Campaign as we approach the 50th anniversary of his assassination. All are welcome to attend this historic event, which will be held in the Sanctuary. Doors open at 3:30 pm, and seating is on a first-come basis.

**Next Sunday: Call for Volunteers for Lunch and Game Day**

Next Sunday (Jan. 21) the Committee on Homelessness will host lunch and board games for our homeless neighbors. Volunteers are needed to supply desserts, help with set-up and serving, and join in the fun. See [fapc.org/volunteer](http://fapc.org/volunteer) for the sign-up form, or contact Meredith Fleck ([homelessevents@fapc.org](mailto:homelessevents@fapc.org)).

**Next Sunday: Dedication of the Sanctuary Organ Console**

Next Sunday we invite you to a special worship service, "Singing Our Faith," at 11 am in the Sanctuary. This service will mark the dedication of our new organ console, a gift of Marguerite and Reid Pitts, Jr. and the *Generation to Generation* Capital Campaign. This unique celebration will offer a tour of the Christian faith through hymns, songs and carols. At our early service next Sunday, we invite you to Worship with Our Seminarians, led by Delphine Conzelmann, Morgan King and Ivy Lopedito.

**Next Sunday: John Sheehan Commissioning Service**

Next Sunday, during a special service of Christian unity, John Sheehan will be commissioned in his role as the director of the Fifth Avenue Ecumenical Outreach Partnership, a collaborative ministry of Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, Saint Thomas Episcopal Church and St. Patrick's Cathedral. This ministry was created last summer to serve persons experiencing homelessness in our midtown neighborhood. The service will take place at Saint Thomas Church (Fifth Avenue and 53rd Street) at 4 pm. Senior Pastor Scott Black Johnston will preach. Please join us for this special celebration of John's ministry and this vital outreach partnership.

**Jan 24: City Club Tours the Morgan Library**

City Club, a fellowship group for members and friends ages 40 and up, invites you to tour the Morgan Library and Museum on Wednesday, Jan. 24. Meet Beverly Johnson on the ground floor at 225 Madison Ave. at 12:15 pm. Cost is \$22 for adults and \$15 for seniors. RSVP to Beverly (718.778.8362, [belmyra@gmail.com](mailto:belmyra@gmail.com)).

## GETTING CONNECTED @FAPC

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### Adult Education

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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. The Employment Advisory program offers monthly seminars on career-related issues. All classes are free and open to all, with no registration required. Information on upcoming classes is available at [fapc.org/learning](http://fapc.org/learning).

### Community Groups

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Community groups provide opportunities for intimate fellowship within this large congregation. Many of our groups gather neighbors from a particular part of the city; others focus on spiritual questions particular to women, 20s/30s, 30s/40s, older adults, couples, new members, parents and the LGBT community. Many groups meet on Sunday mornings, and others during the week. Learn more (and find the group that's right for you) at [fapc.org/community-groups](http://fapc.org/community-groups). Contact: [communitygroups@fapc.org](mailto:communitygroups@fapc.org).

### Congregational Care

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If you (or others you know in our community) are going through a difficult time, contact us. Our Deacons, members of A Circle of Caregiving and Congregational Care staff are available for counseling, home and hospital visits, and prayer. You may also submit prayer requests at [fapc.org/pray](http://fapc.org/pray). Contact: [congregationalcare@fapc.org](mailto:congregationalcare@fapc.org).

### Congregational Life

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Hospitality and service are core values of the Christian tradition. If you want to be among the welcoming faces of FAPC, we welcome your participation! We offer numerous opportunities to serve the congregation, including the Archives, Coffee Hour, Sunday School, Ushers and Greeters, Visitors Table and more. To learn more about ways you can get involved, contact: [congregationallife@fapc.org](mailto:congregationallife@fapc.org).

### Family Ministries

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Family Ministries brings together people of diverse backgrounds and families of all definitions to nurture healthy children and strong, faithful families. We offer Sunday School, Youth Group, Children's Choir, Little Lambs (programming for infants to toddlers), community groups for parents, FAPC-U (our college ministry), Vacation Bible School and special events all year long. Learn more (and register your child) at [fapc.org/grow](http://fapc.org/grow). Contact: [familyministries@fapc.org](mailto:familyministries@fapc.org).

### Membership

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Our new members classes provide an introduction to Christianity, the Presbyterian tradition and FAPC. We welcome new members into the congregation during worship on the following Sunday. We also recognize long-term members with an annual reception, while the Legacy Circle honors those who have remembered FAPC in their wills and planned giving. Find out more about membership at [fapc.org/members](http://fapc.org/members). Contact: [membership@fapc.org](mailto:membership@fapc.org).

## Music

FAPC is home to a versatile program of arts in worship that endeavors to uplift, inspire, challenge and comfort all who encounter it, and to provide opportunities to share our wealth of artistic gifts. In addition to the FAPC Choir and the FAPC Chamber Choir, we offer the FAPC Community Choir, an entry-level ensemble for those who would like to learn more about singing and music in general. The FAPC Community Choir meets on Thursday evenings for rehearsal and fellowship. Find out how you can get involved at [fapc.org/music](http://fapc.org/music). Contact: [music@fapc.org](mailto:music@fapc.org).

## Outreach & Mission Partners

Our Outreach programs rely on volunteers to serve the homeless and the homebound, the elderly and the underserved. The David B. Skinner Shelter operates 365 nights a year and is entirely volunteer-run. Meals on Heels meets every Saturday to prepare and deliver home-cooked meals to homebound neighbors. Other volunteer programs happen monthly or during special seasons of the year. FAPC Serves—our citywide, all-congregation day of service—takes place on a Saturday in the spring. Information on our volunteer programs and upcoming opportunities to serve are available online. Visit [fapc.org/volunteer](http://fapc.org/volunteer) to sign up and serve.

We offer many volunteer opportunities through our mission partners:

The Bowery Mission	Jan Hus Presbyterian Church	Operation Exodus
The Bridge	& Neighborhood House	Parity
Church of Gethsemane	Ministry of Hope – Lesotho	Presbyterian Senior Services
Hands Along the Nile	Mission co-workers Cobbie &	Search and Care
Development Services	Dessa Palm – Philippines	West Side Federation for Senior
Holmes Presbyterian Camp	Mission co-workers Dan &	& Supportive Housing
& Conference Center	Elizabeth Turk – Madagascar	Womankind

Learn more about our mission partners at [fapc.org/mission-partners](http://fapc.org/mission-partners). Contact: [outreach@fapc.org](mailto:outreach@fapc.org).

## Ushers & Greeters

Ushers and greeters are needed every Sunday and for special services (such as weddings and memorial services). Volunteers typically serve one Sunday every five weeks. Training is provided. Contact: [ushers@fapc.org](mailto:ushers@fapc.org).

## Women's Association

The Women's Association invites the women (and men!) of the congregation to our program of education, service, prayer and benevolence. Our Tuesday luncheons (\$15, Bonnell Hall), featuring guest speakers and entertainment, are open to all. Our programs are listed every Sunday in the bulletin's Calendar of Events. Contact: [wassoc@fapc.org](mailto:wassoc@fapc.org).

## Young Adults

NEXT Ministries is a diverse group of curious, adventurous people who are centered in our faith. We offer a number of programs to make you feel at home—our Sunday afternoon discussion group, service projects, social events, retreats and more. Join us! We're online at [fapc.org/NEXT](http://fapc.org/NEXT) and on Instagram @nextatfapc. Contact: [nextministries@fapc.org](mailto:nextministries@fapc.org).

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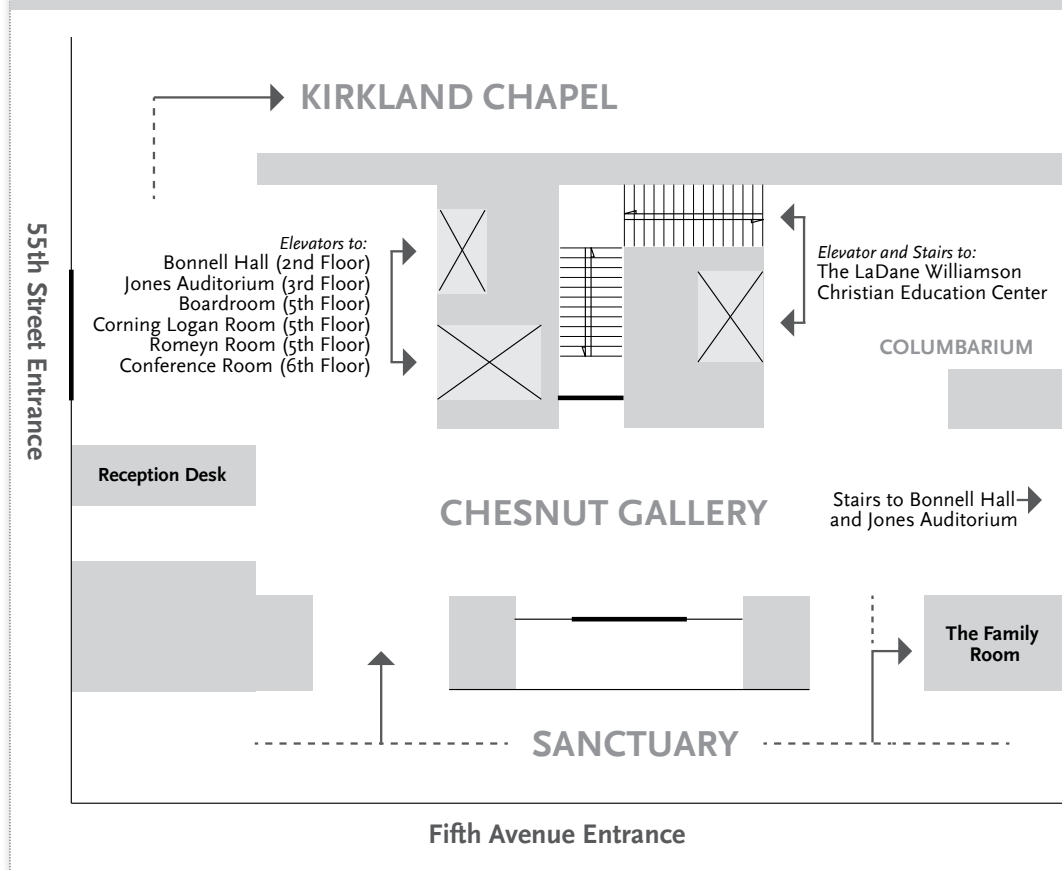
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