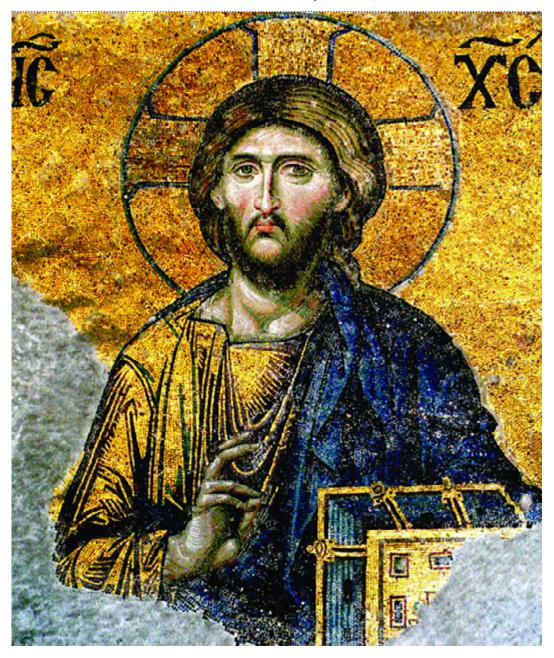


# FIFTH AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JUNE 17, 2018 • 10:00 AM



Christ Pantocrator (detail of the Deesis mosaic, Hagia Sophia, Istanbul), 12th century

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, 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

#### If You Are New Here

Please fill out the Welcome card you will find in your pew. (The ushers can also provide one.) 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*. 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. You may return the hearing-enhancement device to the rear of the Chapel or Sanctuary after the service.

#### **Welcoming Children**

Children are always welcome! The ushers can provide a worship bag or children's Bible to keep your child engaged. If you need to step out to attend to your child, we invite you to use our Family Room, located at the north end of the Gallery, just outside the Sanctuary (check the map on the back of the bulletin for the location). We also provide childcare for infants and toddlers from 9 am until 11:30 am, downstairs in the LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center. Learn more about our Family Ministries at fapc.org/grow.

#### 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*.

#### **Help With 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.



#### **Worship Resources Online**

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

Trio Sonata no. 5 in C major, BWV 529: I. *Allegro J.S. Bach (1685–1750)* 

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

Deacon Ashley Ramsden One: Come as you are.

All: Come burdened, come joyful;

One: Come wanting, come full;

All: Come driven, come drifting;

One: Come broken, come mending;

All: Come worried, come wondering.

One: Wherever our heads

and our hearts are this morning,

All: Christ welcomes us here.

One: The Almighty calls: "Come, children of God."

All: Let us worship!

\* HYMN 612

We Praise You, O God

\* 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



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\* PASSING OF THE PEACE

One:

The peace of Christ be with you.

All:

And also with you.

#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Rev. Kate Dunn

Baptismal Questions Prayer of Thanksgiving Baptism

\* CONGREGATIONAL WELCOME

With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you into Christ's Church; for we are all one in Christ.

We promise to love, encourage and support you, to share the good news of the gospel with you, and to help you know and follow Christ.

Choir and Congregation

\* SUNG RESPONSE

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, Marked with the sign of Christ, our King; Born of the Spirit, we are God's children Joyfully now God's praises we sing.

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. Charlene Han Powell

SOLO Laudate Dominum from Vesperae solennes de confessore

W.A. Mozart (1756-1791)

Laudate Dominum omnes gentes
Praise the Lord, all nations;
Laudate eum, omnes populi
Praise him, all people.

Quoniam confirmata est
For he has bestowed
Super nos misericordia eius,
His mercy upon us,

Et veritas Domini manet in aeternum. And the truth of the Lord endures forever.

Amen. Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON 2 Corinthians 5:16-20

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

One: This is the Word of God; for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "The View from Here, Part 11"

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from The Westminster Shorter Catechism

One: What is the chief end of humankind?

All: To glorify God and enjoy God forever.

\* HYMN 475 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER ("...and forgive us our debts...")

THE OFFERING You may text your offering to 646.491.8331

OFFERTORY SOLO Laudamus te from Mass in C minor • W.A. Mozart

Laudamus te. We praise you.
Benedicimus te. We bless you.
Adoramus te. We adore you.
Glorificamus te. We glorify you.

\* Doxology Hymn 606

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER

\* HYMN 295 Go to the World!

\* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Trio Sonata no. 5 in C major, BWV 529: III. Allegro • J.S. Bach

The ministry of music this morning is offered by:

Dr. Ryan Jackson, William S. Perper Director of Music and Fine Arts Ministries

Patrick Kreeger, Associate Organist • Abigail Mitchell, Soprano

#### WORSHIP NOTES

Mozart composed two settings of the Vespers: the Vesperae Solennes de Dominica, K. 321 of 1779, and the Vesperae Solennes de Confessore, K. 339 of 1780. The title of the setting from which today's solo comes, Vesperae Solennes de Confessore, indicates that the work was composed to honor a saint (confessore), and that the piece is accompanied by orchestra (solennes). Historians disagree as to which saint the composition honors, but some scholars propose that the Vesperae Solennes de Confessore may have been composed for Sept. 24, the feast day of St. Rupert (660?–710), the patron saint of Salzburg, where Mozart was living and working at the time.

The Vesperae Solennes de Confessore was the last work Mozart wrote for a controlling, taskmaster employer, Archbishop Colloredo. This Vespers service stays well under the 45-minute time limit created by the Archbishop, but the music is spirited and free-flowing. It pays some homage to the original chants that would have been part of the service, but is wonderfully innovative in its interplay among chorus, soloists and accompaniment. The fifth movement, Laudate Dominum, is the most famous of the work, and is one of the most lyrical and beautiful soprano solos in all of Mozart's compositions. It is a gentle hymn of praise, with a soaring, expressive melody for the soloist, accompanied by liquid, flowing instrumental lines.

# Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Rudolph and Laima Barth by their children, daughter-in-law, son-in-law and grandchildren.

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#### Please pray for:

Candy Asman, Phyllis Barr, Neta Beberino, Barbara Berner, Helen Betzaia, 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, Nancy Hatch Patricia Henry, 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, Phyllis Oblander, Marjorie Quaife Jeff Rowbottom, Pauline Sample, Taylor Shultz, Eric Smith, Spencer Robert Smith Frieda Sompotan, Rocco Tannehill, Steve Teelucksingh, Susan Tobiason Stevanus & Henny Waisapy, Johnnie Walker, Jennifer Wallis-Eifert, Warren White Dolores Wheeler, Suzanne Wilks, Sylvia Winrich, Deborah Wurgler, Doris Wurgler

To add a name to the church prayer list or the list of faithful departed, please contact Lance Hurst (212.247.0490 ext 3007, *lhurst@fapc.org*).

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### **Caregiving Ministries**

Fifth Avenue 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

#### Al-Anon

Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 12:30 pm • nycalanon.org

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

Second & fourth Tuesdays, 7 pm • compassionatefriends.org

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

Monday – Thursday, 2–5 pm • Contact: John Sheehan, LMSW (jsheehan@fapc.org)

#### Health Advocates for Older People

Strength & weight exercise class • Wednesdays, 11 am • hafop.org

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today

**9:30 am Coffee Cart.** Bonnell Hall. Continues until 12 pm.

Little Lambs. LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.

**10 am** Worship. Sanctuary.

10:15 am Children's Church. LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.

11:15 pm Meet & Greet. The Gallery. All are invited (visitors especially!) to join the

pastors, staff and fellow members for conversation and coffee after worship.

**Tour the Church.** Meet at the rear of the Sanctuary following worship.

# Sunday School is on hiatus until September. Little Lambs continues through the summer. Children's Church concludes today and returns in September.

This Week

**Tue June 19 Women's Association Bridge.** 1:30 pm – Bonnell Hall.

Women's Association Speaking English. 1:30 pm – Corning Logan Room.

Employment Advisory: Using LinkedIn & Other Social Media Strategies to Amp

**Up Your Job Search.** 6:30 pm – Corning Logan Room.

Sat June 23 Meals on Heels. 9:30 am – Bonnell Hall. Weekly meal preparation and delivery

to homebound seniors. Contact: Bob Brennan (moh@fapc.org).

**Youth Summer Mission Project.** 10 am – 5 pm. Open to all youth, from rising sixth graders through high school. Contact: Werner Ramirez (wramirez@fapc.org,

212.247.0490 ext 3013).

Coming Up

**Sun June 24 Worship.** 10 am – Sanctuary. The Rev. Janice Smith Ammon, guest preacher.

**Margaret Shafer Community Picnic.** 12 pm – Central Park. To volunteer, submit the online form at *fapc.org/volunteer*, or contact Meghan Shea (*homelessevents@fapc.org*).

**Heritage of Pride March.** 12:30 pm – First Presbyterian Church (Fifth Avenue and 12th Street). Volunteers are invited to staff a water and welcome station along the route. Sign up at *fapc.org/volunteer* or *fpcnyc.org*.

**Evening Worship at the Bowery Mission.** 4:45 pm - 227 Bowery. Volunteers lead worship and serve dinner to residents of this historic mission. The Rev. Kate Dunn, preaching. Directions available at the reception desk and at *fapc.org/bowery*.

#### Next Sunday • Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

"Giants and Chickens and Bears, Oh My!" • I Samuel 17:1a, 4-11

The Rev. Janice Smith Ammon, guest preacher.

#### **Baptized Today**

Amy Katherine Kirova, daughter of Alexander Kirov and Ann Kiru.

#### Announcing the Gotto Lecture Series and Congregational Book-Read

We are delighted to announce that Jonathan Haidt, a social psychologist at New York University and best-selling author, will inaugurate the Anita and Antonio Gotto Lecture Series on Thursday, Oct. 25. The lecture series is made possible by a generous contribution from the Gottos to the *Generation to Generation* Capital Campaign. Haidt is the author of *The Righteous Mind: Why Good People Are Divided by Politics and Religion* (2012). His forthcoming book, *The Coddling of the American Mind: How Good Intentions and Bad Ideas Are Setting Up a Generation for Failure* (coauthored by Greg Lukianoff), is the selection for our congregational book-read. The book, now available for pre-order, is due from Penguin Publishing Group on Sept. 4. Mark your calendars, and watch for more details on this exciting event!

#### Next Sunday: Jan Ammon Returns to Fifth Avenue

Next Sunday (June 24), Fifth Avenue welcomes our former associate pastor, the Rev. Janice Smith Ammon, as our guest preacher. Jan is the Bryant M. Kirkland Minister of the Chapel at Princeton Theological Seminary. Members of our LGBTQ community group, The Word Is Out, will take part in the service as we celebrate Pride Sunday!

#### Volunteers for Next Sunday: The Margaret Shafer Picnic

The 18th-annual Margaret Shafer Community Picnic with our homeless and hungry neighbors is coming up next Sunday (June 24) in Central Park. We need volunteers to help with set-up and clean-up, serve and greet our guests, and contribute desserts and sides. Complete the volunteer sign-up form at fapc.org/volunteer, or contact Meghan Shea (homelessevents@fapc.org).

#### Volunteers for Next Sunday: The Heritage of Pride March

Fifth Avenue volunteers are invited to join our friends at First Presbyterian Church to staff a water station and cheer on participants at next Sunday's LGBTQ Pride March, starting at 12:30 pm. Volunteers can sign up online at *fapc.org/volunteer* or at the First Presbyterian home page (*fpcnyc.org*). First Presbyterian is at Fifth Avenue and West 12th Street, directly along the march route.

#### June 27: City Club Views the Rockwell Exhibit

City Club, a fellowship group for members and friends ages 40+, invites you to tour the Norman Rockwell exhibit at the New-York Historical Society on Wednesday, June 27. Fifth Avenue member Jeanne Pape, a docent at the historical society, will provide a private group tour. Meet at 10 am in the museum lobby (Central Park West and 76th Street). Pre-payment (\$25, or \$20 for seniors) is necessary. Contact: Beverly Johnson (718.778.8362, belmyra@gmail.com).

#### Registration Is Open for Vacation Bible School

"Shipwrecked: Rescued by Jesus" is the theme of Vacation Bible School, coming up Aug. 13–17 in the Christian Education Center. All children from age 3 (and potty-trained) to entering fifth-graders are invited to a weeklong adventure filled with sciency-fun gizmos, team-building games, cool Bible songs and tasty treats. VBS meets from 9:30 am until 12 pm each day. Church membership is not required, so invite neighbors and friends to come along! Online registration is at fapc.org/vbs, or contact Jaime Staehle, director of Christian education (jstaehle@fapc.org).

#### The Session

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, Moderator • Matt Roush, Clerk of Session Greg Dow, Assistant Clerk of Session • The Rev. Dr. Charlene Han Powell, Executive Pastor The Rev. Kate Dunn, Associate Pastor • The Rev. Werner Ramirez, Associate Pastor

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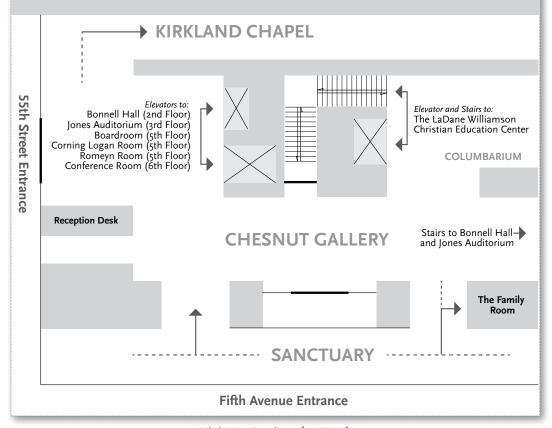
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### Follow Our Summer Instagram Project

Following the success of last year's "100 Things I Love about FAPC," we have a launched a new campaign for the summer. "Why We Serve" focuses on the many, diverse service opportunities at Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church (most of them active all summer long), and celebrates the faithful volunteers who keep them rolling. Follow us on Instagram at @fapc\_nyc, and share your own volunteer stories, using the hashtag #WhyWeServe.



## Visit Us During the Week

The Sanctuary, Kirkland Chapel and Columbarium are open seven days a week for prayer and reflection.

### **Summer Building Hours**

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 8 am to 5 pm • Tuesday: 8 am to 9 pm Saturday & Sunday: 8 am to 1 pm







