



FIFTH AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 11, 2018 • 11:00 AM



Jack Baumgartner, *Jacob Wrestling with God*, 2012

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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 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](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. 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. (You may return these materials at the end of the service.) 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 12:30 pm, downstairs in the LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center. Learn more about our Family Ministries at [fapc.org/grow](http://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](http://fapc.org/pray).

### Help With 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. Ask for discount coupons at the 55th Street reception desk.



### 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 Prelude in C minor • *Louis Vierne (1870–1937)*
- \* CALL TO WORSHIP  
*Trustee David Roberson*
- One: Way beyond all journeying,  
truth behind all mystery,  
life within all living:
- All: We praise you.**
- One: Salve for every soreness,  
mender of every brokenness,  
midwife of a better future:
- All: We praise you.**
- One: Ground of all being,  
judge of all nations,  
conscience of the universe:
- All: We praise you.**
- One: Maker, Messiah, confessor, companion,  
befriender, inspirer, God beyond all names:
- All: We praise you.**
- One: Let us worship God, tender and just.

\* HYMN 63

**The Lord Is 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.)



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.**

ANTHEM

*The FAPC Choir  
& Community Choir*

Sing to the Lord of Harvest  
*Traditional, arr. Healey Willan (1880–1968)*

Sing to the Lord of harvest, sing songs of love and praise;  
With joyful hearts and voices your alleluias raise!  
By him the rolling seasons in fruitful order move;  
Sing to the Lord of Harvest a song of happy love.

By him the clouds drop fatness, the deserts bloom and spring,  
The hills leap up in gladness, the valleys laugh and sing.  
He filleth with his fullness, all things with large increase;  
He crowns the year with goodness, with plenty, and with peace.

Heap on his sacred altar the gifts his goodness gave,  
The golden sheaves of harvest, the souls he died to save.  
Your hearts lay down before him when at his feet ye fall,  
And with your lives adore him who gave his life for all.

*Children (pre-K through second 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*

MOMENT FOR COMMITMENT *Elder Jama Toung*

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ANTHEM

Fight the Good Fight With All Thy Might

*John Gardner (1917–2011)*

*Text by J.S.B. Monsell (1811–1875)*

Fight the good fight with all thy might!  
Christ is thy strength, and Christ thy right;  
Lay hold on life, and it shall be  
Thy joy and crown eternally.

Run the straight race through God's good grace,  
Lift up thine eyes, and seek his face;  
Life with its way before us lies,  
Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.

Cast care aside, lean on thy Guide;  
His boundless mercy will provide;  
Trust, and thy trusting soul shall prove  
Christ is its life, and Christ its love.  
Faint not nor fear, his arms are near,

He changeth not, and thou art dear;  
Only believe, and thou shalt see  
That Christ is all in all to thee.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

*Genesis 32:22-32*

The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had.

Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip. Therefore to this day the Israelites do not eat the thigh muscle that is on the hip socket, because he struck Jacob on the hip socket at the thigh muscle.

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

SERMON

*The Rev. Barbara Brown Taylor*

**"Jacob Wrestles"**

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\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from *Philippians 4*

**Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice.  
Let your gentleness be known to everyone.  
The Lord is near.  
Do not worry about anything,  
but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving  
let your requests be made known to God.  
And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding,  
will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Amen.**

\* HYMN 783

**When We Are Tested**

(Choir sings once; then the congregation joins in singing.)

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

Praise the Lord, O My Soul • *Ned Rorem (b. 1923)*

*Text: Psalm 146*

Hallelujah!

Praise the Lord, O my soul.

I will praise the Lord as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Put not your trust in rulers nor in any child of earth,

For there is no help in them.

When they breathe their last, they return to earth,

And in that day their thoughts perish.

Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help!

Whose hope is in the Lord their God;

Who made heaven and earth, the seas,

And all that is in them;

Who keeps his promise forever;

Who gives justice to those who are oppressed,

And food to those who hunger.

The Lord sets the prisoners free;

The Lord opens the eyes of the blind;

The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;

The Lord loves the righteous;

The Lord cares for the stranger;

He sustains the orphan and widow,

But frustrates the way of the wicked.

The Lord shall reign forever,

Your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.

Hallelujah!

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\* DOXOLOGY

**Hymn 606**

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER

\* HYMN 307

**God of Grace and God of Glory**

\* 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

Symphony no. 5 in A minor, op. 47: V. Final • *Louis Vierne*

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

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## WORSHIP NOTES

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The composer of the Offertory Anthem this morning is one of the most important living American composers: Ned Rorem. Rorem was born in Richmond, Indiana, on Oct. 23, 1923, and spent most of his youth in Chicago. He received his musical training at the American Conservatory of Music, Northwestern University, the Curtis Institute in Philadelphia and the Juilliard School. Particularly renowned for his art songs, Rorem has also composed operas, symphonies and pieces for chamber ensembles. In 1976 Rorem received the Pulitzer Prize for Music recognizing his suite *Air Music: Ten Etudes of Orchestra*, which was first performed in Cincinnati in December 1975. Rorem has composed extensively for choir and written several pieces for solo organ. *Praise the Lord, O My Soul* is a wonderful example of Rorem's up-tempo and rhythmic choral style. The musical language is fundamentally tonal, with punchy chromaticism that is playful, sometimes a bit startling, often resulting in harmonies evocative of jazz.

## Honoring Fifth Avenue Veterans on the 100th Anniversary of the Armistice



**Maj. George G. McMurtry**



**Eleanor Alexander Roosevelt**



**Capt. John Foster Dulles**



**Cpl. Henry Norman Grieb**



**ENS Ammi W. Lancashire**



**1stLt. Wilbert Wallace White**

Today marks the 100th anniversary of the armistice that ended fighting on land, sea and air between the Allies and Germany in World War I. According to our Archives, 233 members of Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church were active in the war effort. One hundred ninety-five men and women served in the military, and 38 civilians served in special war work (including the American Red Cross, International War Council and other organizations). These 233 individuals included Maj. George G. McMurtry, who was awarded the Medal of Honor for extraordinary heroism while serving with 308th Infantry, 77th Division, in action at Charlevaux, Argonne Forest; Eleanor Alexander Roosevelt, the wife of Theodore Roosevelt, Jr. (and daughter-in-law of the 26th President), who was involved in YMCA canteen work in France; and Capt. John Foster Dulles, who later served as the U.S. Secretary of State under President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Six members of this church died during their military service in World War I, four of them from hostile action. On this special Veterans Day, we remember:

- Sgt. Cecil S. Adams, d. March 2, 1918
- LCpl. Rice Bassett, d. Oct. 9, 1918
- Cpl. Henry Norman Grieb, d. Aug. 26, 1917
- ENS Ammi W. Lancashire, d. Sept. 27, 1918
- 1stLt. Wilbert Wallace White, d. Oct. 10, 1918
- 1stLt. Earl Trumbull Williams, d. May 7, 1918

We invite you to visit [fapc.org](http://fapc.org) for a broader account of our church's involvement in World War I and a list of all 195 members who served in the military. Special thanks to our archivist, Dale Hansen, for providing this important account from our history.



## CONGREGATIONAL CARE

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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, William Cuffee, Nancy Dawkins, Lisa Donofrio, Athanassia Doucas  
Roy Duttweiler, Narmella Elissa, Sterling Gillis IV, Wanda Roush Hannan, Nancy Hatch  
Patricia Henry, Ronald Hoffman, 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, 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, James & Barbara Wallace, Jennifer Wallis-Eifert, Xavier Pinga Wanto  
Warren White, Suzanne Wilks, Sylvia Winrich, Deborah Wurgler, Doris Wurgler

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

Oct. 26, 2018: Graham Davenport Andrews—beloved father of Alyce Andrews, Elizabeth Andrews and Margaret Andrews Rosecky (John), beloved husband of Jean Fergusson Reed Andrews, and beloved grandfather of Andrew Rosecky, Sarah Rosecky, Katherine Rosecky, Joanna Santello and Emma Santello.

If you would like to add a name to the church prayer list or the list of faithful departed, please contact Lance Hurst ([lhurst@fapc.org](mailto:lhurst@fapc.org), 212.247.0490 ext 3007).

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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](http://ny-aa.org)

#### **Al-Anon**

Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 12:30 pm • [nycalanon.org](http://nycalanon.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, 2–5 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.  
**Christmas Angel Tree Project.** Curry Church House.  
**Little Lambs, Sunday School and Youth Group.** All in the LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.
- 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.  
**Tour the Church.** Meet at the rear of the Sanctuary following worship.
- 12:30 pm** **Adult Education: Thin Places, the Bible & Experiencing God.** Corning Logan Room. Instructor: Parish Associate Kellie Picallo.  
**Embrace.** Boardroom. 20s+30s discussion group.
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### This Week

- Mon Nov 12** **Women's Association Needlework Group.** 11 am – Romeyn Room.
- Tue Nov 13** **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.
- Wed Nov 14** **A Performance of Mark's Gospel.** 7 pm – Saint Thomas Fifth Avenue (at 53rd St.) At 10 am Thursday, Nov. 15, Saint Thomas offers a seminar on the gospel, featuring Mr. Bair. The performance and seminar are free of charge.
- Thu Nov 15** **FAPC Community Choir Rehearsal.** 6 pm – Jones Auditorium. All are welcome.
- Fri Nov 16** **Turning Points: Theatre Fellowship Cabaret.** 7 pm – Bonnell Hall. Tickets available in the Gallery and online at [smarttix.com](http://smarttix.com).
- Sat Nov 17** **Meals on Heels.** 9:30 am – Bonnell Hall. Weekly meal preparation and delivery to homebound seniors. Contact: John Wyatt ([moh@fapc.org](mailto:moh@fapc.org)).

### Coming Up

- Sun Nov 18** **Touched by Suicide: A Complicated Grief.** 9:30 am – Corning Logan Room. Instructor: Dan Hale, Johns Hopkins School of Medicine.  
**Thanksgiving Luncheon.** 12:30 pm – Bonnell Hall. Purchase tickets in the Gallery following worship today.

**Next Sunday • Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost • Pledge Sunday**

“Esau Embraces” • Genesis 33:1-11

*The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, preaching.*

**Welcome Back, Barbara Brown Taylor!**

We are excited and honored to welcome back the Rev. Barbara Brown Taylor as our guest preacher this morning. A best-selling author, theologian, educator and Episcopal priest, Rev. Taylor is widely regarded as one of the finest contemporary preachers in the English language. She is the author of 14 books, including the newly released *Home by Another Way*, a Christmas book for children, and the forthcoming *Holy Envy: Finding God in the Faith of Others*.

**Today: Come Explore the Thin Places**

Rooted in centuries-old Celtic understanding, a “thin place” is where the secular and the sacred meet. This afternoon our parish associate, the Rev. Kellie Picallo, helps us to recognize thin places, and teaches how the Bible can be a thin place for both the weary soul and the joyous self. Her class will help you prepare for the coming of Advent. Join us at 12:30 pm in the Corning Logan Room.

**Get Your Tickets Today for Sunday’s Thanksgiving Luncheon**

Congregational Life volunteers are in the Gallery today selling tickets to the Thanksgiving luncheon, coming up next Sunday (Nov. 18) at 12:30 pm in Bonnell Hall. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for children ages 13 and younger (cash and checks accepted). We’re planning roast turkey and trimmings, music, fellowship and surprise entertainment. We hope to see you there!

**The Christmas Angel Trees Are Here**

The Christmas Angel Tree Project offers a convenient way for you to make the holidays special for children and families in need. Today and the next two Sundays, the Deacons invite you to stop by one of the Angel Trees on display in the Narthex and the 55th Street lobby. Choose an ornament with a child’s sizes and gift requests, then return your ornament and unwrapped presents by Sunday, Dec. 2. All gifts will be distributed through two of our mission partners, the Church of Gethsemane and Operation Exodus, and at our annual Shelter Family Christmas Party on Dec. 10.

**This Week: A Performance & Discussion of Mark’s Gospel**

Our neighbors at Saint Thomas Fifth Avenue invite you to hear the whole of the Gospel of Mark in the beautiful King James Version, performed by the renowned actor Tom Bair. The performance begins at 7 pm Wednesday (Nov. 14) in the Saint Thomas sanctuary (two blocks south, at 53rd Street). The following morning, you are invited back for a seminar on Mark’s gospel, featuring Mr. Bair. The seminar begins at 10 am. Both events are free of charge, but donations will be accepted.

**Friday: Theatre Fellowship Cabaret**

On Friday (Nov. 16) Theatre Fellowship presents “Turning Points,” an intimate evening of songs expressing moments when life takes a sudden turn, with music from our great theatrical composers and lyricists. Jeanne Lehman heads a stellar cast that includes Clayton Brown, Halley Gilbert, Joyce Nolen and other Fifth Avenue favorites. Tickets (\$25-\$40) are on sale in the Gallery today and online at [smarttix.com](http://smarttix.com). The cabaret will be at 7 pm in Bonnell Hall.

**Next Sunday: How to Support Survivors of Suicide**

Every person who dies by suicide leaves behind survivors—and for them, the grieving process can be traumatic, complex and isolating. Dan Hale, assistant professor of psychiatry and behavioral sciences at the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine (and a survivor himself), leads a conversation about understanding suicide and caring for those whose lives have been touched by it. This important conversation begins at 9:30 am next Sunday (Nov. 18) in the Corning Logan Room.

## GETTING CONNECTED

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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 Life

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Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church offers an array of opportunities for community fellowship. We gather for congregation-wide events (such as Homecoming and the traditional Thanksgiving luncheon) several times a year. Community groups offer an opportunity for more intimate engagement 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, older adults, couples, new members, parents and the LGBTQ community. Our social clubs—City Club, *CouplesPlus!* and the Fifth Avenue Fellowship Club—gather for dinners and cocktail parties, museum and theater outings, and other social events throughout the year. Learn more about all of these opportunities at [fapc.org/community](http://fapc.org/community). Contact: [communitylife@fapc.org](mailto:communitylife@fapc.org).

### Congregational Care

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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 submit prayer requests at [fapc.org/pray](http://fapc.org/pray). Contact: [congregationalcare@fapc.org](mailto:congregationalcare@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 and the Presbyterian tradition. The Believing and Belonging class provides an orientation to Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church. We welcome new members into the congregation on the Sunday following the Believing and Belonging class. Learn more about membership, including the schedule of upcoming classes, at [fapc.org/members](http://fapc.org/members). Contact: [membership@fapc.org](mailto:membership@fapc.org).

## Mission Partners

Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church supports a diverse group of mission partners whose missions and ministries align closely with our own. We invite you to get to know them:

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

We offer many volunteer opportunities through our mission partners as well. Read more at [fapc.org/mission-partners](http://fapc.org/mission-partners). Contact: [outreach@fapc.org](mailto:outreach@fapc.org).

## Music + Arts

Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church is home to a versatile program of 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 FAPC Community Choir, an entry-level ensemble that meets on Thursday evenings for rehearsal and fellowship. Contact: [music@fapc.org](mailto:music@fapc.org). Our Theatre Fellowship offers a mainstage production every spring, and staged readings, a cabaret and other events during the year. Contact: [theatre@fapc.org](mailto:theatre@fapc.org). The Arts & Our Faith Committee sponsors exhibitions of art, history and photography in the Chesnut Gallery, often featuring work by members of the congregation.

## 20s+30s

20s+30s 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/20s30s](http://fapc.org/20s30s) and on Instagram @FAPC20s30s. Contact: [youngadults@fapc.org](mailto:youngadults@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, host in the David B. Skinner Shelter, 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](http://fapc.org/volunteer) or email [volunteer@fapc.org](mailto:volunteer@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).

## OFFICERS BY CLASS

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### The Session

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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*

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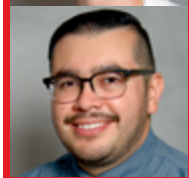
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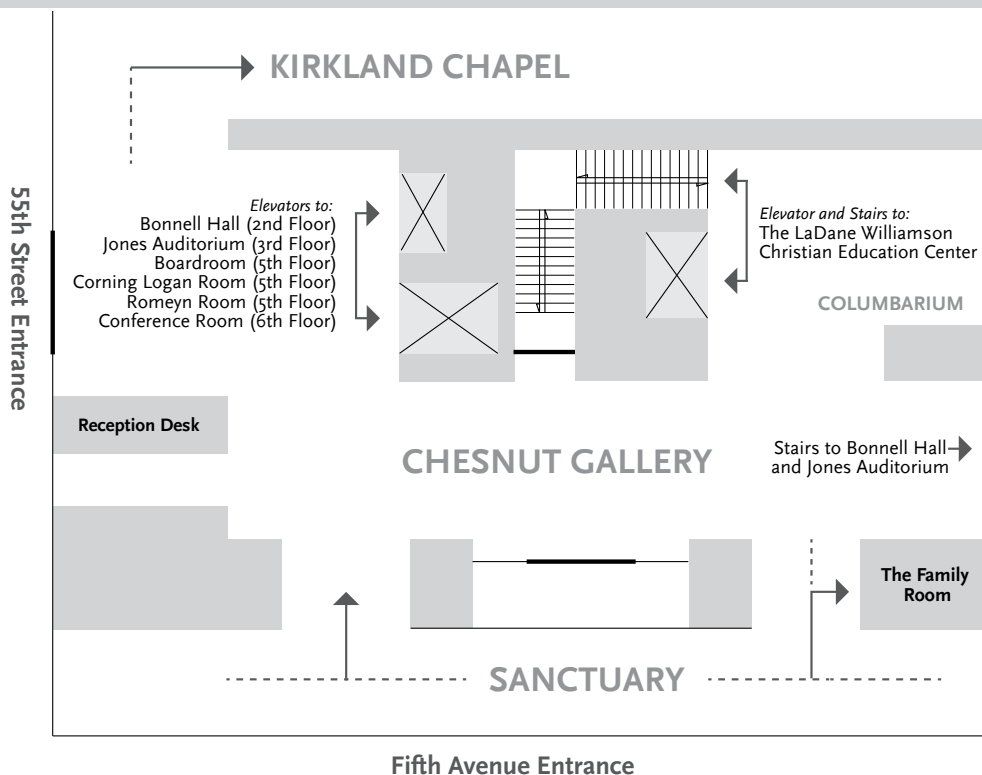
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