



FIFTH AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 9, 2018 • 11:00 AM



South wall of Sucevita Monastery, Romania

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. (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.

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 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. 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

Nun Komm, der Heiden Heiland
("Savior of the Nations, Come"), BWV 659a
J.S. Bach (1685–1750)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Elder Brenda Berkman

One: Rejoice in the Lord always.
All: We come to worship and rejoice.
One: Again, I say "rejoice!"
All: We come to worship and rejoice!
One: Let your gentleness be known to everyone.
All: We are ready to share kindness and love.
One: This is good! For the Lord is near!
All: We come to worship and rejoice;
for God is with us!

* HYMN 102

Savior of the Nations, Come

* LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Jesse Allen and Darby Blaker

* SUNG RESPONSE



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* CALL TO CONFESSION

The Rev. Kate Dunn

* 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

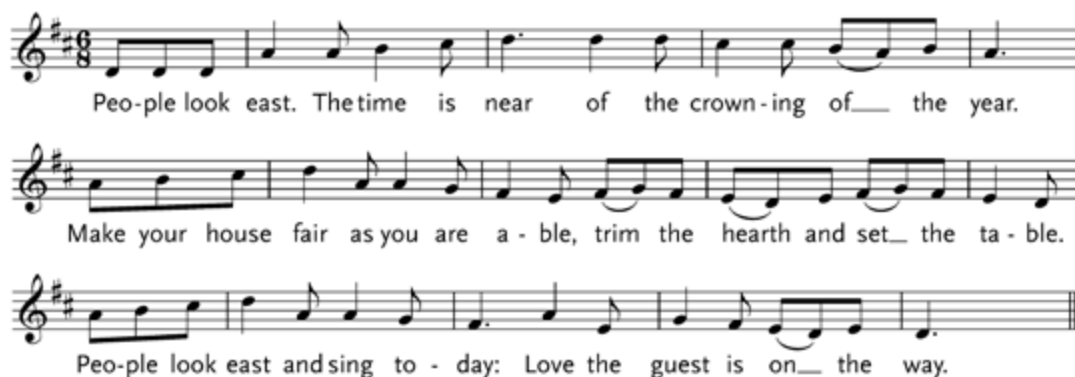
* SUNG RESPONSE

(Cantor sings once; then the congregation joins, singing once.)



* 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.**

ANTHEM

*The FAPC Choir
& Community Choir*

Creator of the Stars of Night • *Malcolm Archer (b. 1952)*
Text: *Office Hymn, English text by J.M. Neale (1818–1866)*
Creator of the stars of night,
Thy people's everlasting light,
Jesu, Redeemer, save us all,
And hear thy servants when they call.

Thou camest, bridegroom of the bride,
As drew the world to eveningtide,
Proceeding from a virgin shrine,
The Son of Man, yet all divine.

At thy great name, exalted now,
All knees must bend, all hearts must bow,
And things in heaven and earth shall own
That thou art Lord and King alone.

To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One,
Laud, honor, might, and glory be
From age to age eternally. Amen.

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. Charlene Han Powell

ANTHEM

Christ the Appletree • *Stanford Scriven (b. 1988)*

Text by Joshua Smith (1760–1795)

The tree of life my soul hath seen, laden with fruit and always green;
The trees of nature fruitless be, compared with Christ the appletree.
This beauty doth all things excel, by faith I know, but ne'er can tell
The glory which I now can see, in Jesus Christ the appletree.
For happiness I long have sought,
and pleasure dearly I have bought;
I missed of all, but now I see 'tis found in Christ the appletree.
This fruit doth make my soul to thrive, it keeps my dying faith alive;
Which makes my soul in haste to be with
Jesus Christ the appletree.
I'm wearied with my former toil, here I will sit and rest a while;
Under the shadow I will be, of Jesus Christ the appletree.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Matthew 1:1-6, 17-23

An account of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham.

Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar, and Perez the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Aram, and Aram the father of Aminadab, and Aminadab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon, and Salmon the father of Boaz by Rahab, and Boaz the father of Obed by Ruth, and Obed the father of Jesse, and Jesse the father of King David.

And David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uriah...

So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations; and from David to the deportation to Babylon, fourteen generations; and from the deportation to Babylon to the Messiah, fourteen generations.

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: "Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means, "God is with us."

Isaiah 11:1-2

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

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

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston

"Christmas at Matthew's House"

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
the Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord:
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead and buried;
He descended into hell.
The third day he arose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*** HYMN 129**

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Rev. Kellie Picallo

THE LORD'S PRAYER	<i>("...and forgive us our debts...")</i>
THE OFFERING	<i>You may text your offering to 646.491.8331</i>
OFFERTORY ANTHEM	<p>Seek Him That Maketh the Seven Stars <i>Jonathan Dove (b. 1959) Text: Amos 5:8; Psalm 139</i></p> <p>Seek him that maketh the seven stars and Orion And turneth the shadow of death into the morning. Alleluia, yea, the darkness shines as the day, The night is light about me. Amen.</p>
* DOXOLOGY	<i>Hymn 606</i>
* OFFERTORY PRAYER	
* HYMN 87	Comfort, Comfort Now My People
* BENEDICTION	<i>Please remain in your pew until the conclusion of the Choral Response.</i>
* CHORAL RESPONSE	<p>Thou Shalt Know Him When He Comes • <i>Mark G. Sirett (b. 1952)</i> <i>Text: Anonymous</i></p> <p>Thou shalt know him when he comes, Not by any din of drums, Nor his manners, nor his airs, Nor by anything he wears. Thou shalt know him when he comes, Not by his crown or by his gown, But his coming known shall be, By the holy harmony which his coming makes in thee. Thou shalt know him when he comes. Amen.</p>
POSTLUDE	<p><i>Nun Komm, der Heiden Heiland</i> ("Savior of the Nations, Come"), BWV 661a <i>J.S. Bach</i></p>

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*

WORSHIP NOTES

The first Anthem is a lovely setting of the ancient Advent hymn, *Conditor alme siderum* (“Creator of the Stars of Night”), the text of which dates to the seventh century. Opinions differ as to the hymn’s authorship—some have attributed it to St. Ambrose himself, but most scholars agree that it’s not his work, so “Anonymous, 7th century” is a much more common ascription!

Despite the uncertainty concerning the hymn’s authorship, the text is one of the great treasures of hymnody. In just five classical Ambrosian quatrains (three of which are included in today’s setting), the writer gives a remarkably complete overview of salvation history, all the more powerful for being expressed with great simplicity and economy. Christ himself is the creator of the stars of night, the light of all believers, who came to save the world; he was born of the Virgin Mary, and now all creation acknowledges him as Lord and awaits his return. The original Latin was translated into English by the Anglican priest, scholar, and hymn-writer John Mason Neale. The hymn is traditionally sung to Sarum Plainsong, Mode IV, which is the melody heard this morning. This chant dates to the ninth century, when the Sarum tradition originated at the Cathedral of Salisbury in the U.K. Haunting in its simplicity, it is one of the most beautiful in the repertoire.

The setting of *Christ the Appletree* sung this morning was composed by the young American composer Stanford Scriven. The piece received its premiere by the St. Olaf Choir in 2009 at the St. Olaf Christmas Festival. The musical elements of the piece are rooted in the wonderfully simple spirit of the text, in which the author depicts Christ in a familiar light—that of the unwavering apple tree, a symbol of strength and abundant life. Utilizing musical elements commonly found in the Early American folk canon, this setting beautifully amplifies the poet’s original intent without clouding its simple yet elegant message. Scriven grew up in Oregon and completed a bachelor of music degree at St. Olaf.

The Offertory Anthem is one of the great pieces of contemporary choral literature, composed by the English composer Jonathan Dove. *Seek Him That Maketh the Seven Stars* was composed in 1995 as a commission from the Royal Academy of Arts for their annual service at St. James’ Piccadilly, and received its first performance in May of that year. Dove writes, “The theme of light, and star-light in particular, is an endless source of inspiration for composers. I came across these words about light and stars while looking for a text to set as an anthem for the Royal Academy of Arts’ annual Service for Artists: I thought these images would have a special meaning for visual artists. The anthem begins with a musical image of the night sky, a repeated organ motif of twinkling stars that sets the choir wondering who made them. The refrain ‘Seek him’ starts in devotional longing but is eventually released into a joyful dance, finally coming to rest in serenity.”

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

***Flowers are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of Januario Duran Dia
in honor of his birthday on Dec. 13 by Mabel Perillo Dia and family.***

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
Narmella Elissa, Sterling Gillis IV, Wanda Roush Hannan, Nancy Hatch, Patricia Henry
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 & Henry Waisapy, Johnnie Walker
James & Barbara Wallace, Jennifer Wallis-Eifert, Xavier Pinga Wanto, Warren White
Suzanne Wilks, Sylvia Winrich, Deborah Wurgler, Doris Wurgler

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, 212.247.0490 ext 3007).

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 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.
- 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** **Embrace.** Boardroom. 20s+30s discussion group.
- 4:45 pm** **Advent Service at the Bowery Mission.** 227 Bowery. Contact: Jeanne Lehman French (bowerymission@fapc.org).
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This Week

- Mon Dec 10** **Women's Association Needlework Group.** 11 am – Romeyn Room.
- Tue Dec 11** **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.
Women's Association Prayer Group. 5:30 pm – Romeyn Room.
- Wed Dec 12** **Blue Christmas Prayer Service.** 6:30 pm – Kirkland Chapel. The Rev. Kate Dunn and the Rev. Helen Jackson, presiding.
- Thu Dec 13** **FAPC Community Choir Rehearsal.** 6 pm – Jones Auditorium. All are welcome.
- Sat Dec 15** **Meals on Heels.** 9:30 am – Bonnell Hall. Weekly meal preparation and delivery to homebound seniors. Contact: John Wyatt (moh@fapc.org).
Family Christmas Party. 12 pm – LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.

Coming Up

- Sun Dec 16** **When Christmas Sings the Blues.** 9:30 am – Corning Logan Room. Instructor: Ellen Theg, Bereavement Center of Westchester. RSVPs are requested to Lance Hurst (congregationalcare@fapc.org).
Fifth Avenue Caroling. 12:30 pm – Fifth Avenue steps.

Next Sunday • Third Sunday of Advent

Children's Choir & Youth present the Christmas Pageant,
"Room For Christmas," at both services this morning.
Sunday School classes and Youth Group will not meet.

Tonight: Bowery Mission Holiday Service

In lieu of our regular, fourth-Sunday service at the Bowery Mission, we invite you to be part of a holiday service of Christmas scriptures and carols, beginning at 5 pm this evening. The service will feature music by Jim Fredericks and Jeanne Lehman French. Following worship, we will serve dinner to the residents and guests of this historic mission on Manhattan's Lower East Side. The Bowery Mission is at 227 Bowery, just south of Houston. Directions are available at the reception desk and at fapc.org/bowery. New participants are always welcome. We are in particular need of musicians! Contact: Jeanne Lehman French (bowerymission@fapc.org).

Wednesday: Three Good Reasons to Attend Blue Christmas

Our Blue Christmas service—an Advent tradition at Fifth Avenue—is coming up on Wednesday, Dec. 12, at 6:30 pm in Kirkland Chapel. Here's why we hope you will come: 1) Blue Christmas reminds us that Advent is a time of holy anticipation, more attuned to contemplation than celebration. 2) The service offers hope to individuals experiencing sadness or grief during the holidays. Even if you are not feeling blue, you can lend a shoulder to those who are. 3) NBC News is coming, and we would love a full house as we bring the good news of Advent to a national audience! (Still need convincing? See our article on fapc.org).

Next Sunday: When Christmas Sings the Blues

Blue Christmas acknowledges that the holidays can be stressful. Many of us struggle with feelings of sadness and loneliness, even as everyone else seems to be merry and bright. At the next meeting of The Circle, Ellen Theg, the psychotherapist who leads our fall bereavement group, offers practices for self-care and care for others that can mitigate the Christmas blues. This session begins at 9:30 am next Sunday (Dec. 16) in the Corning Logan Room. The Circle is a monthly conversation, convened by Associate Pastor Kate Dunn, on topics of health, wellness and spirituality. All are welcome!

Also Next Sunday: Christmas Pageant and Fifth Avenue Caroling

Next Sunday the Children's Choir and Youth of Fifth Avenue present Mark Burrows' "Room for Christmas," a Christmas pageant about... a Christmas pageant! The production will be featured during worship at 9:30 and 11 am. Both services are in the Sanctuary. Afterward, we invite you to join us on the Fifth Avenue steps at 12:30 pm for Fifth Avenue Caroling, as we bring the joy of the season to passersby. Come lend your voices!

Remember a Loved One with a Christmas Flower Memorial

We invite you to honor your loved ones with a contribution to the Flower Fund. Your loved one's name will appear in the memorial listing in the bulletins on the Fourth Sunday of Advent and on Christmas Day. Please send your loved one's name along with a donation no later than Monday morning, Dec. 17, to Lance Hurst (lhurst@fapc.org, 212.247.0490 ext 3007). The suggested donation is \$25 for each memorial, which helps to provide flowers for worship throughout the year.

Registration Continues for the 2019 Confirmation Class

Youth in seventh grade and older are invited to enroll in the 2019 Confirmation Class, a nine-week course of study and service leading to full membership in the church. Confirmands will explore major questions in Christian theology, attend a weekend retreat, and lead the worship and dinner service at the Bowery Mission on their way to Confirmation Sunday, March 3. Details and registration are available at fapc.org/confirmation. Contact: Werner Ramirez (wramirez@fapc.org).

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. 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.

Community Life

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. Contact: communitylife@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 submit prayer requests at fapc.org/pray. Contact: congregationalcare@fapc.org.

Family Ministries

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. Contact: familyministries@fapc.org.

Membership

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. Contact: 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. Contact: 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. Our Theatre Fellowship offers a mainstage production every spring, and staged readings, a cabaret and other events during the year. Contact: 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 and on Instagram @FAPC20s30s. Contact: 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 or email 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.

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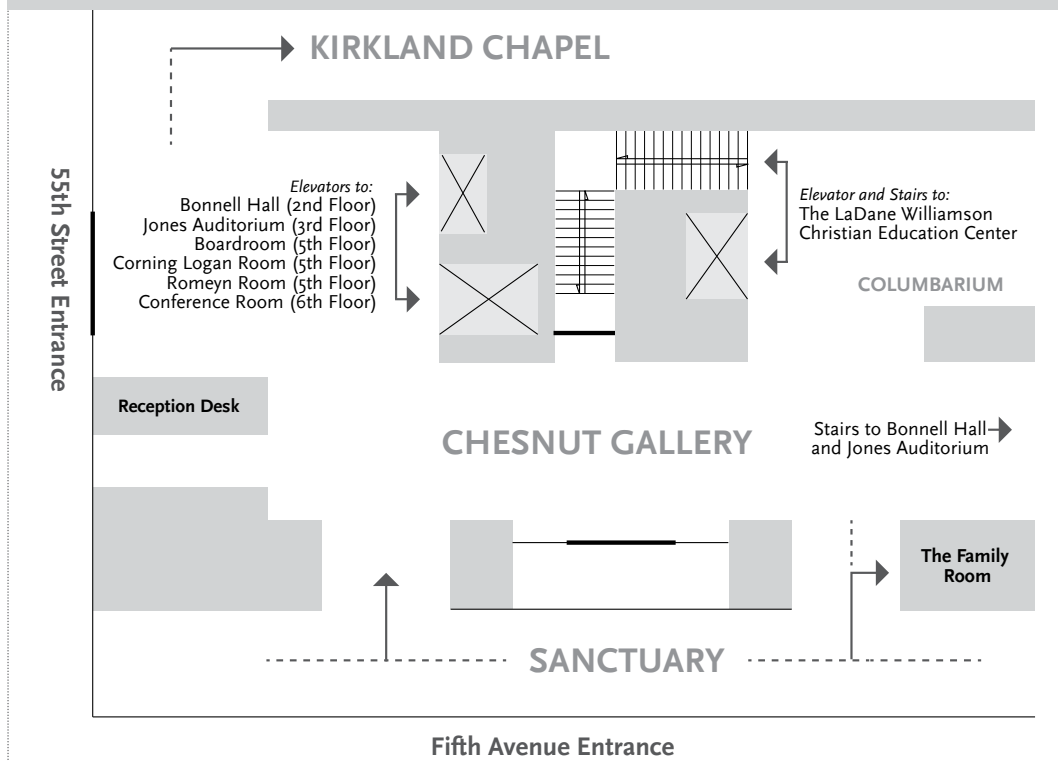
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