



FIFTH AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 27, 2019 • 11:00 AM



Jean-Michel Basquiat, *Untitled*, 1981

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. 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, programs and volunteer opportunities. 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 in worship! Families are welcome to sit anywhere in the Sanctuary, but you may want to take advantage of the first 10 rows on the far north side, which we have equipped for families with young children. You will find children’s Bibles and children’s worship bulletins in the pews, as well as easy access to our Family Room, located just outside the Sanctuary. (See the map on the back of the bulletin for the exact location.) If you are attending worship in Kirkland Chapel, the ushers can provide a worship bag to keep your child engaged. (You may return these materials at the end of the service.) We also provide childcare for infants and toddlers from 9 am until 12:30 pm in the LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center. Learn more about our Family Ministries at fapc.org.

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/prayer-requests.

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

Sonata no. 1 in F minor: Allegro and Adagio
Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Deacon Margie Wagers

Psalm 96

One: O sing to the Lord a new song;

All: sing to the Lord, all the earth.

One: Sing to the Lord, bless God's holy name;

All: tell the glad news of salvation from day to day.

One: Let us worship Almighty God, tender and just.

* HYMN 321

The Church's One Foundation

* CALL TO CONFESSION

The Rev. Werner Ramirez

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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

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

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

Silent Reflection and Confession

* SUNG RESPONSE

The musical notation consists of three staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff is labeled 'Cantor' and 'All' and contains the lyrics 'Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.' The second staff is also labeled 'Cantor' and 'All' and contains the lyrics 'Chri - ste e - lei - son. Chri - ste e - lei - son.' The third staff is labeled 'Cantor' and 'All' and contains the lyrics 'Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.' The music is written in a simple, melodic style with a mix of quarter and eighth notes.

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* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Good-ness is stron-ger than e - vil; love is stron-ger than hate;
 light is stron-ger than dark - ness; life is stron-ger than death.
 Vic-tory is ours; vic-tory is ours through God who loves us. us.

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* PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

ANTHEM

Children's Choir & Youth

Everybody Praise Him! • *Jeff Reeves*

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!
 Sing about his glory! Make his praise glorious!
 Say to the Lord, "Your works are amazing!"
 Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord in his Sanctuary.
 Praise him in the heavens above.
 Praise the Lord for his mighty greatness.
 Praise him for his mercy and love.

Refrain

*Come, now, everybody praise him.
 Lift your voice, rejoice, and sing!
 Come, now, everybody praise him.
 Praise the King of kings!*

Praise the Lord with the mighty piano.
 Praise him with the ukulele.
 Praise the Lord with the joyful shakers.
 Praise him with a jubilant heart.

Everybody praise him! (Bless his holy name!)
 Everybody praise him! (Shout with joy to him!)
 Everybody praise the great I am! I am!

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

Morgan King, M.Div.

MOMENT FOR COMMITMENT *Elder Chad Stubbs*

ANTHEM *Beati quorum via • C.V. Stanford (1852–1924)*
Text: Psalm 119:1

Beati quorum via integra est, Blessed are the undefiled in the way,
qui ambulant in lege Domini. who walk in the law of the Lord.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON *Matthew 5:43-48*

You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

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

SERMON **“Learning to Love Your Enemy”**
The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *from The Confession of 1967, Presbyterian Church (USA)*

To be reconciled to God
is to be sent into the world as God’s reconciling community.
This community, the Church universal,
is entrusted with God’s message of reconciliation
and shares God’s labor of healing the enmities
which separate people from God and from each other.
Christ has called the Church to this mission. Amen.

* HYMN 316 **Where Charity and Love Prevail**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
The Rev. Kate Dunn

THE LORD’S PRAYER (*“...and forgive us our debts...”*)

THE OFFERING *You may text your offering to 646.491.8331*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Blessed are the men who fear Him, from Elijah*
Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847), Text: Psalm 128:1 & Psalm 112:4

Blessed are the men who fear him,
They ever walk in the ways of peace.
Through darkness riseth light,
Light to the upright.
He is gracious, compassionate;
He is righteous.

* DOXOLOGY	Hymn 606
* OFFERTORY PRAYER	
* HYMN 756	O God of Every Nation
* BENEDICTION	<i>Please remain in your pew until the conclusion of the Choral Response.</i>
* CHORAL RESPONSE	<p>May the Grace of Christ • <i>William Smith Rockstro (1823–1895)</i> <i>Text by John Newton (1725–1807)</i></p> <p>May the grace of Christ our Savior, And our Maker’s boundless love, With the Holy Spirit’s favor, Rest upon us from above.</p> <p>Thus may we abide in union Held together by the Word, And possess in rich communion Joys which earth cannot afford.</p>
POSTLUDE	<p>Sonata no. 1 in F minor: <i>Allegro assai vivace</i> <i>Felix Mendelssohn</i></p>

The ministry of music this morning is offered by:
 The Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church Choir
 Patrick Kreeger, *Associate Organist*
 Children’s Choir & Youth
 Dr. Eugenia Oi Yan Yau, *Director* • Jee Eun Ahn, *Pianist*

WORSHIP NOTES

The Anthem is a famous setting by one of the great-grandfathers of English choral music, Charles Villiers Stanford. *Beati quorum via* (“Blessed are those”) is the second in a set of three motets for unaccompanied choir, composed around 1892 and published in 1905. The motets are dedicated to Alan Gray and the choir of Trinity College, Cambridge, and are widely considered to be among Stanford’s finest choral compositions. In particular, the elegant, six-voice-part writing in *Beati quorum via* ensure its place as one of Stanford’s most exquisite compositions for unaccompanied choir.

The Offertory Anthem comes from Felix Mendelssohn’s *Elijah*, an English-language oratorio written in 1846 for a music festival in Birmingham, England. This piece was composed in the spirit of Mendelssohn’s Baroque predecessors Bach and Handel, whose music he loved. In 1829 Mendelssohn had organized the first performance of Bach’s St. Matthew Passion since the composer’s death and was instrumental in bringing this and other Bach works to widespread popularity. *Elijah* depicts various events in the life of the Biblical prophet, and many of the texts are drawn from the first and second book of Kings, as well as the Psalms. “Blessed are the men who fear Him” is one of the most well-known and frequently performed choruses from this beloved oratorio.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Please pray for:

Candy Asman, Phyllis Barr, Neta Beberino, Helen Betzaia, Becky Bjornstad, Benjamin Bradley Britta Cabanos, Ella Calderon, Sookjoong Choi, Dr. Johanna Cook, Edna Craddock William Cuffee, Nancy Dawkins, Athanassia Doucas, Narmella Elissa, Sterling Gillis IV Patricia L. (DeLue) Glimpse, 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, Joyce Nolen Phyllis Oblander, Marjorie Quaife, Jeff Rowbottom, Pauline Sample, Robert Scheuer, Taylor Shultz Spencer Robert Smith, Mark & Chrissy Snyder, Frieda Sompotan, Jean Stewart, Rocco Tannehill Steve Teelucksingh, Harold Tither, Arthur Tobiason, Susan Tobiason, Stevanus & Henry Waisapy Johnnie Walker, James & Barbara Wallace, Jennifer Wallis-Eifert, Warren White, Suzanne Wilks Sylvia Winrich, Deborah Wurgler, Doris Wurgler

Faithful Departed

Oct. 21, 2019: Mabel Perillo Dia—beloved mother of Lois Toolan, Jay Dia, Leah Solomon and Julie Ann Dia (deceased); beloved grandmother of Christopher and Marley Solomon, Glendan, Kevin and Cassie Toolan; beloved sister of Delma Schunke, Fe Schebitz, Warlita Lagao, and Noemi Lagao; and beloved sister-in-law of Vita Dia.

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

Health Advocates for Older People

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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today

- 9 am** **Coffee Hour.** 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.
Historical & Architectural Tour. Kirkland Chapel. Led by Gail Crane and Derek Maddalena.
- 12:30 pm** **Embrace.** Boardroom. 20s+30s discussion group.
Adult Education: With Joy: The Shadowlands Brighten. Corning Logan Room. Instructor: Dr. James Como.
- 1:30 pm** **Memorial Service for Mabel Perillo Dia.** Kirkland Chapel. The Rev. Kate Dunn, presiding.
- 2 pm** **Theatre Fellowship: Shadowlands: Staged Readings.** Jones Auditorium.
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This Week

- Mon Oct 28** **Women's Association Needlework Group.** 11 am – Romeyn Room.
- Tue Mon 29** **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 Oct 30** **The Gotto Lecture Series: David Brooks.** 7 pm – Sanctuary. Registration is closed for this event.
- Thu Oct 31** **Memorial Service for Jerome Kenney.** 4 pm – Sanctuary. The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, presiding.
FAPC Community Choir Rehearsal. 6 pm – Jones Auditorium. All are welcome.
- Fri Nov 1–
Sun Nov 3** **20s+30s Fall Retreat.** It's not too late to register! Contact: Werner Ramirez (youngadults@fapc.org).
- Sat Nov 2** **Meals on Heels.** 9:30 am – Bonnell Hall. Weekly meal preparation and delivery to homebound seniors. Contact: John Wyatt (moh@fapc.org).

Next Sunday • Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

“Learning to Love Ghosts” • Romans 8:18-30

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, preaching.

Today: A C.S. Lewis Double Bill

Join us for a full afternoon of C.S. Lewis! First, we invite you to “With Joy: The Shadowlands Brighten,” a conversation with the renowned Lewis expert Dr. James Como. Dr. Como will speak at 12:30 pm in the Corning Logan Room. Afterward, come downstairs to Jones Auditorium for a dramatic reading of *Shadowlands*, William Nicholson’s acclaimed play (and a 1993 film starring Anthony Hopkins as C.S. Lewis). *Shadowlands* is based on Lewis’ relationship with the American writer Joy Gresham. Dr. Como will read the part of Lewis, and our own Broadway veteran Jeanne Lehman will read the role of Joy. This special event will be presented free of charge at 2 pm.

Today: Historical & Architectural Tour

Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church welcomed more than 1,000 visitors during Open House New York last weekend. Once again, our clock tower tours and organ demonstrations were fully subscribed almost immediately after online registration began. Our thanks to Judy Moseley, our docents, and our music and building staff for another successful weekend! If you have never experienced our clock tower tour, or you’d like a repeat visit, you are in luck. The tour is happening today, starting at 12:15 pm from the rear of Kirkland Chapel. Information on our tour program is available at fapc.org/tours.

Wednesday: David Brooks Presents the 2019 Gotto Lecture

The second-annual Anita and Antonio Gotto Lecture, featuring author and *New York Times* columnist David Brooks, will take place on Wednesday (Oct. 30) at 7 pm. Registration is at capacity, and our waiting list is full. If you are on the waiting list, and a seat becomes available, you will receive an email on Wednesday morning. If you have registered, please print your ticket and bring it with you, or be ready to show it on your smartphone or other device. *We will not admit any guest who does not present a ticket.* The Fifth Avenue doors will open at 6:15 pm. Please arrive early, so that you have time to present your ticket, pass through security and secure your seat. We will share a video recording of the lecture on our website as soon as we can.

Next Sunday: Daniel José Camacho

One of the most powerful new voices in Christian ethics and advocacy is our special guest next Sunday (Nov. 3). Daniel Jose Camacho is a journalist whose work has been published in the *Guardian*, *Christian Century*, *TIME*, *The Washington Post* and other leading publications. His writing addresses a range of issues in the contemporary Church, from racism and economic justice to immigrant rights and nuclear disarmament. He will lead an Adult Education discussion titled “The Faithful Servant: Exploring Biblical Justice” at 12:30 pm. Join us for a provocative conversation!

Registration Is Open for the Perper Faith-Health Symposium

Understanding Addiction: A Community Approach to Healing is the theme of the eighth-annual William S. Perper Symposium, hosted by Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church on Thursday, Nov. 14. Experts from Johns Hopkins, the NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, and Judson Memorial Church will address issues in spiritual care and medicine during this day-long event, which is free and open to all. Read more at fapc.org/events, and register online at williamperpersymposium.rsvpify.com.

Save the Date: Women’s Winter Sabbath

The 2020 Women’s Winter Sabbath is set for the weekend of Jan. 24–26. We will return to the Community of St. John Baptist in Mendham, New Jersey. Mark your calendars, and watch for registration information coming soon.

OFFICERS BY CLASS

The Session

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, *Moderator* • Greg Dow, *Clerk of Session*

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**Announce a birth
or adoption**

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Fund the altar flowers

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Join the church

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Make a donation

Nereida Rodriguez
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Plan your wedding

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Prepare for baptism

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**Remember the church
in your planned giving**

Tim Palmer Curl
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Schedule an event

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Add a name to the prayer list • Lance Hurst, lhurst@fapc.org

Arrange a private tour • Judy Moseley, tours@fapc.org

Hire our caterer • Rodrigo Rosas, rodrigo@roxoevents.com

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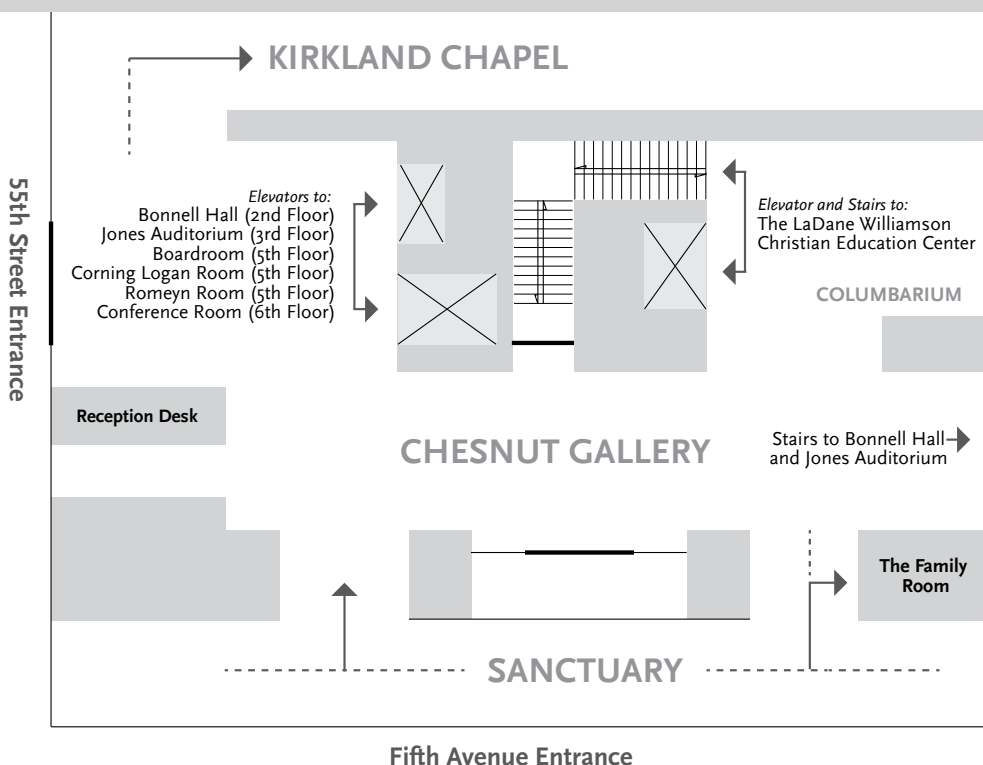
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Building Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 8 am to 6 pm • Tuesday: 8 am to 9 pm
Saturday: 8 am to 1 pm • Sunday: 8 am to 2:30 pm



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