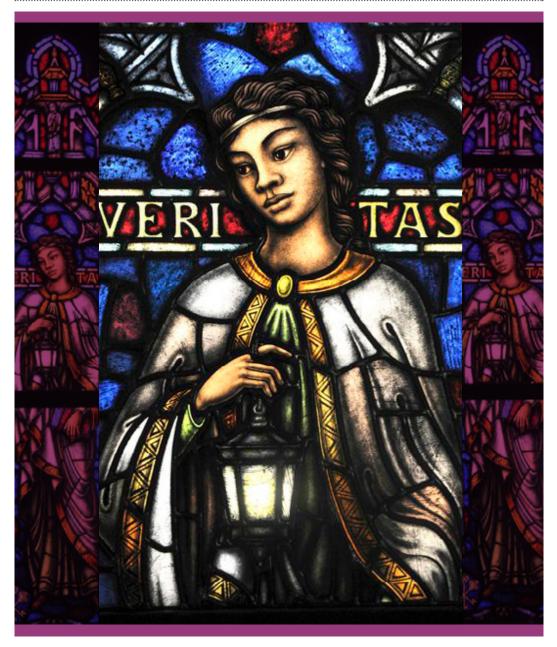


FIFTH AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Twenty-Third Sunday After Pentecost November 17, 2019 • 11:00 AM



The Wright Window, Wellesley College, Houghton Chapel

THIS IS GOD'S HOUSE. ALL ARE WELCOME.

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*.

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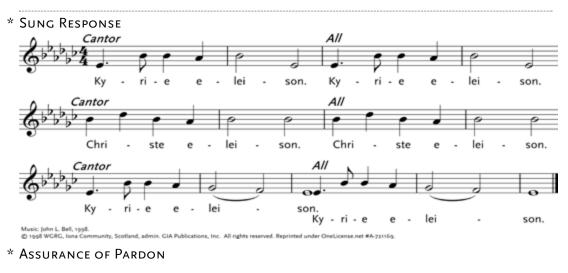
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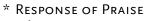
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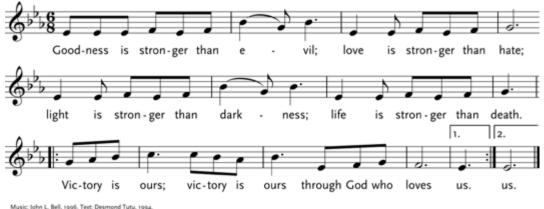
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ORDER OF WORSHIP			
		period of quiet reflection as we prepare for worship. nd do not take flash photos during the service.	
Prelude	Méditation • Maurice Duruflé (1902–1986) Offertory on Slane ("Be Thou My Vision") • William France		
Call to Worship	from the Iona Community, Scotland		
Elder Jane Hong	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.	
Нүмп 336	We Gather Together		
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







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

Children (pre-K through 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	
Moment for Commitment	Abby and Jake Myers
Anthem	The Call • Kenneth Jennings (b. 1925) Text by George Herbert (1593–1633)
	Come my Way, my Truth, my Life: Such a Way, as gives us breath; Such a Truth, as ends all strife; Such a Life as killeth death.

Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: Such a Light as shows a feast; Such a Feast, as mends in length; Such a Strength, as makes his guest.

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: Such a Joy, as none can move; Such a Love, as none can part; Such a Heart, as joys in love.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Scripture Lessons

Exodus 20:16

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

Psalm 51:1-12

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment. Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me.

You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice. Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.

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		One: All:	This is the Word of God; for the People of God. Thanks be to God.
	SERMON The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston	"Learning	to Love Truth"
* Affirmation of Faith		Philippians 4:8	
		Beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Amen.	
*	Нуми 53	O God, Who	Gives Us Life
	PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE The Rev. Kate Dunn		
	The Lord's Prayer	("…and forgiv	e us our debts") 5

The Offering	You may text your offering to 646.491.8331
Offertory Anthem	A New Song • James MacMillan (b. 1959) Text: Psalm 96
	O sing unto the Lord a new song, Sing unto the Lord all the whole earth. Sing unto the Lord and praise his Name, Be telling of his salvation from day to day. For he cometh to judge the earth, And with righteousness to judge the world And the people with his truth.
* Doxology	Нүтп 606
* Offertory Prayer	
* Нуми 450	Be Thou My Vision
* BENEDICTION Please rem	nain in your pew until the conclusion of the Choral Response.
* Choral Response	Song of Simeon • Hal Hopson (b. 1933)
	Go now in peace. Now, God, you have kept your word: let your servant go in peace With my own eyes I have seen the salvation Which you have prepared in the sight of every people; A light to reveal you to the nations And the glory of your people Israel. Amen.
Postlude	Fugue on the theme of the Carillon of Soissons Cathedral <i>Maurice Duruflé</i>
•	his morning is offered by The Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church Choir n, William S. Perper Director of Music and Fine Arts Ministries Patrick Kreeger, Associate Organist

Worship Notes

The Anthem is a setting of the famous poem "The Call" by the English poet and cleric George Herbert. Referring to his poetry in the ancient tradition as "song," Herbert used simple and common words, conversational speech rhythms, musical imagery, and witty, unexpected metaphors. Herbert explores his vision of Christian life, "a picture of the many spiritual conflicts that have passed betwixt God and my soul." This morning's setting is by Kenneth Jennings who was, for many years, conductor of the St. Olaf Choir and professor emeritus of St. Olaf College.

The Offertory Anthem is by a contemporary Scottish composer named James MacMillan. *A New Song* was composed in 1997 and contains many of MacMillan's hallmark sonorities: vocal ornamentation influenced by traditional Scottish music; modal melodies; contrapuntal sections; and a creative, unusual form. The atmospheric organ accompaniment is especially fascinating. Throughout the majority of the piece, the organ whispers and flutters around the choir like a spirit, then rises to prominence, bringing the piece to a dramatic and powerful close.

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

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 Bernhard Schindler, Taylor Shultz, Spencer Robert Smith, Mark & Chrissy Snyder, Frieda Sompotan Jean Stewart, Rocco Tannehill, Steve Teelucksingh, Harold Tither, Arthur Tobiason, Susan Tobiason Stevanus & Henny Waisapy, Johnnie Walker, James & Barbara Wallace, Jennifer Wallis-Eifert 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

Health Advocates for Older People

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

Calendar of Events

Тодау	
9 am	Coffee Hour. Bonnell Hall. Continues until 1 pm.
9:30 am	Worship. Kirkland Chapel.
	Parents Community Group. Corning Logan Room. A conversation with Dr. Nathan Stucky, author of <i>Wrestling with Rest</i> .
	Little Lambs, Sunday School. LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.
	Youth Group. Boardroom.
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	Report from the Mexican Border. Bonnell Hall. Insights from participants on the October mission trip.
This Week	
Mon Nov 18	Women's Association Needlework Group. 11 am – Romeyn Room.
Tue Nov 19	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.
	Beer & Hymn Sing. 6:30 pm – Bonnell Hall. You must be 21 years or older to participate. The cost is \$10. Contact: <i>community@fapc.org</i> .
	Employment Advisory: Making Your Job Campaign a Success. 6:30 pm – Corning Logan Room. Instructor: Win Sheffield.
Wed Nov 20	Feed Your Soul. Supper, 5:30 pm – Bonnell Hall; Worship, 6:30 pm – Kirkland Chapel. RSVP to Lance Hurst (<i>lhurst@fapc.org</i> , 212.247.0490 ext 3007).
Thu Nov 21	FAPC Community Choir Rehearsal. 6 pm – Jones Auditorium. All are welcome.
Fri Nov 22	Youth: Friday Night Hangout. Friday, 7 pm – Christian Education Center.
Sat Nov 23	Meals on Heels. 9:30 am – Bonnell Hall. Weekly meal preparation and delivery to homebound seniors. Contact: John Wyatt (<i>moh@fapc.org</i>).
Coming Up	
Thu Nov 28	Volunteer with Meals on Heels on Thanksgiving. 9:30 am – Bonnell Hall. Contact: John Wyatt (<i>moh@fapc.org</i>).

Next Sunday • Pledge Sunday

"Learning to Love the Good" • 1 Thessalonians 5:15-22 The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, preaching.

Today: Report from the Mexican Border

In October, 12 members and friends of Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church spent eight days working with Frontera de Cristo, a Presbyterian border ministry in the sister cities of Agua Prieta, Sonora (Mexico) and Douglas, Arizona. Today, participants on the mission trip share firsthand accounts about the humanitarian crisis at our southern border and how people of faith are responding. Don't miss this important conversation, starting at 12:30 pm in the Corning Logan Room.

Get Your Tickets to the Thanksgiving Luncheon + Advent Concert

Tickets are on sale in the Chesnut Gallery today for next Sunday's Thanksgiving Luncheon, set for 12:30 pm in Bonnell Hall. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for children ages 13 and younger (cash, checks and credit cards accepted). You can also reserve your seats for Carols by Candlelight, the Advent concert by the Fifth Avenue Chamber Choir. Performances are scheduled for 7 pm on Friday, Dec. 6, and Saturday, Dec. 7, in Kirkland Chapel. Tickets start at \$15 and will be available here for the next two Sundays and online at *fapc.org/tickets*.

Today: Final Sunday for the Christmas Angel Trees

This is your last chance to choose an ornament from the Christmas Angel Trees, on display in the Narthex and the 55th Street entrance. Through this project, the Deacons gather presents for distribution through our mission partners the Church of Gethsemane and Operation Exodus, and at the Shelter Family Christmas Party. Each ornament lists a child's sizes and gift requests. Return the ornament and gifts on Sunday, Dec. 1, or drop them off during the week of Nov. 24.

Tuesday: Beer & Hymn Sing

There's a story behind the beer you drink—just as there are stories behind the hymns we sing. On Tuesday (Nov. 19), join us for an unlikely mashup of beer and hymns at 6:30 pm in Bonnell Hall. We'll mix the pub with the sacred—who knows how God may speak in that context? You must be 21 or older to participate, and a \$10 donation is suggested. Please RSVP to Werner Ramirez at *community@fapc.org*.

Wednesday: Feed Your Soul

On Wednesday (Nov. 20) we invite all Outreach volunteers (past, present and future) to join us for an evening of nourishment and renewal. We begin with supper at 5:30 pm in Bonnell Hall, before gathering for worship at 6:30 pm in Kirkland Chapel. Please RSVP to Lance Hurst (*lhurst@fapc.org*, 212.247.0490 ext 3007) if you are joining us for supper!

Call for Volunteers for the Joe Vedella Dinner + Shelter Family Party

Outreach Ministries seeks volunteers for two of our biggest events of the year—the Joe Vedella Dinner and the Shelter Family Christmas Party. On Sunday, Dec. 8, we will serve a holiday feast to our neighbors living on the streets. We need servers, table hosts and help with many other tasks. On Monday, Dec. 9, come spend time with children living in city shelters—invite them to the bouncy house, lead arts and crafts, pass around presents and introduce them to Santa! To sign up for either of these events, contact Meredith Fleck (*homelessevents@fapc.org*).

Coming Up: A Holiday Lunch with City Club + Fifth Avenue Fellowship

City Club and the Fifth Avenue Fellowship Club are co-hosting a holiday luncheon at 1 pm Sunday, Dec. 1, at Tang Pavilion (65 W. 55th St.). Cost is \$35, which includes one drink. Come kick off the season with your church family and friends! RSVP by Nov. 24 to Tom Crowfis (212.879.0569) or Jan Smith (*jansmith380@aol.com*).

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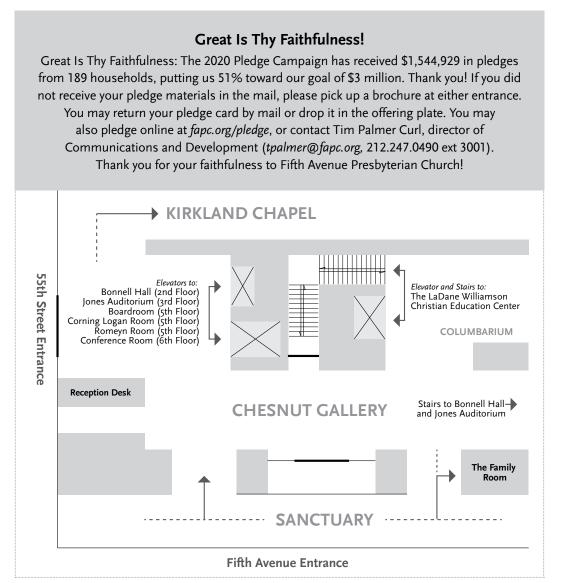
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Add a name to the prayer list • Lance Hurst, lhurst@fapc.org Arrange a private tour • Judy Moseley, tours@fapc.org Hire our caterer • Rodrigo Rosas, rodrigo@roxoevents.com Notify us of a death or illness • Lance Hurst, congregationalcare@fapc.org Request a bulletin announcement • Tim Palmer Curl, tpalmer@fapc.org Update contact information in our database • Diego Cardona, dcardona@fapc.org

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Visit Us During the Week

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

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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