



FIFTH AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 22, 2019 • 11:00 AM



Of the Father's love begotten,
Ere the worlds began to be,
He is Alpha and Omega;
He the source, the ending he,
Of the things that are, that have been,
And that future years shall see,
Evermore and evermore!

—Aurelius Clemens Prudentius (5th century)



THIS IS GOD'S HOUSE. ALL ARE WELCOME.

WELCOME TO FIFTH AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Whether you are visiting for the first time, or are a longtime member, we are blessed to have you with us.

The cover of this bulletin reads, “This Is God’s House. All Are Welcome.” We take these words seriously. We strive to be a community as diverse and hospitable as God’s kingdom. We don’t all look or act alike; God *knows* we don’t all think alike. We don’t all read the Bible the same way. We bring different questions, and we carry different burdens. But every Sunday, we worship together as one.

In this grand old church, we do Sunday morning in some pretty traditional (very Presbyterian) ways. We study the teachings and the actions of Jesus. We sing many of the same hymns our grandparents sang. Yet, in our preaching and our prayers, we wrestle with the challenges of the modern world. I hope your heart will hear something personal and relevant this morning—a word of comfort, a spur to action, a call to a deeper relationship with God.

After the service, please stick around. Take a tour of the church. Have a cup of coffee with us. Introduce yourself to one of our clergy. There are tons of opportunities here to feed your soul and expand your spirit. Try one out. You never know—you just might be home!

Scott Black Johnston
Senior Pastor

If You Are New Here

Please fill out the Welcome card you will find in your pew. 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

La Nativité du Seigneur ("The Nativity of the Lord")
III. Desseins éternels ("Eternal Designs")
Olivier Messiaen (1908–1992)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Trustee Thomas Pak

One: My soul magnifies the Lord.
All: My spirit rejoices in God my Savior.
One: The Spirit of the Lord is upon me.
All: God sends good news to the oppressed.
One: Rejoice in the Lord; again, rejoice!
All: Be gentle to all: the Lord is near.
One: Let us worship God.

* HYMN 144

In the Bleak Midwinter

* LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

The Word Is Out LGBTQ Community Group
Persis Luke, Marco Michael & Karis Moelker

* SUNG RESPONSE



A can - dle is burn - ing, a can - dle of love,
a can - dle to point us to hea - ven a - bove.
A ba - by for Christ - mas, a won - der - ful birth,
for Je - sus is bring - ing God's love to our earth.

Music: James R. Murray, 1887 - AWAY IN A MANGER. Text: Sandra Dean © 1986 Sandra Dean.
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* 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 joins, singing once.)

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son,
Chri - ste e - le - i - son.

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Peo-ple look east. The time is near of the crown-ing of the year.
Make your house fair as you are a - ble, trim the hearth and set the ta - ble.
Peo-ple look east and sing to - day: Love the guest is on the way.

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* PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

ANTHEM
FAPC Community Choir

Unto Us a Child is Born • *Sonja Poorman (b. 1955)*
Text: Isaiah 9:6-7

Unto us a child is born. Unto us a son is given.
The Messiah and our Lord, the Christ is born.
Unto us a child is born. Unto us a son is given.
He will reign forevermore. The Christ is born.

Blessed babe of Bethlehem, dayspring from on high,
He will be the prince of peace, counselor of light.

Wonderful, his name is wonderful.
He will reign with everlasting might.
O sing! He is born, a son is given.
Bright and morning star of light, child of Israel,
He will be the first and last, prophecies foretell.
King of kings, he is the king of kings,
Our Lord and our Emanuel.

*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

ANTHEM

A Christmas Plainsong
Traditional, arr. Henry Kihlken (1939–2017)

Of the Father's love begotten,
Ere the worlds began to be,
He is Alpha and Omega,
He the source, the ending he,
Of the things that are, that have been,
And that future years shall see,
Evermore and evermore. Alleluia.

This is he whom seers in old time,
Chanted of with one accord,
Whom the voices of the prophets
Promised in their faithful word;
Now he shines, the long-expected;
Let creation praise its Lord,
Evermore and evermore. Alleluia.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Colossians 1:15-20

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Revelation 1:8

'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

John 1:1-4

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people.

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

SERMON

The Rev. Kate Dunn

“Of the Father’s Love Begotten”

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

* HYMN 108

Of the Father’s Love Begotten

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Rev. Dr. Charlene Han Powell

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	Ding Dong! Merrily on High <i>Traditional, arr. Mack Wilberg (b. 1955)</i> <i>Text by G.R. Woodward (1848–1934)</i> Ding dong! Merrily on high in heav'n the bells are ringing: Ding dong! Verily the sky is riv'n with angel-singing. <i>Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis!</i> <i>Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis!</i> E'en so here below, below, let steeple bells be swungen, And "Io, io, io!" by priest and people sungen! <i>Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis!</i> <i>Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis!</i> Pray you, dutifully prime your matin chime, ye ringers; May you beautifully rime your evetime song, ye singers. <i>Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis!</i> <i>Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis!</i>
* DOXOLOGY	Hymn 606
* OFFERTORY PRAYER	
* HYMN 147	The First Nowell (verses 1, 2, 4 and 6)
* BENEDICTION	<i>Please remain in your pew until the conclusion of the Choral Response.</i>
* CHORAL RESPONSE	Thou Shalt Know Him When He Comes • <i>Mark G. Sirett (b. 1952)</i> <i>Text: Anonymous</i> 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.
POSTLUDE	<i>La Nativité du Seigneur ("The Nativity of the Lord")</i> <i>IX Dieu parmi nous ("God Among Us")</i> <i>Olivier Messiaen</i>

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

CHRISTMAS FLOWER FUND MEMORIALS

Rudolph and Laima Barth	Mary Jane & George McCullough
Constance Bell	Laurie McLendon
Margaret S. Bishop	Mee Yung Ng
Wendell W. Bishop	Ah Sin Ng
Diane W. Bishop	Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sture Olson
Elcesor, Phebe and Jun Rey Bonecillo	Dr. Margaret & Roger Parke
Betty and Charles H. Brock	Marcia Parker
Elizabeth Carlton	Aggie Petrosky
Juno Mei Chen	Betty J. Pond
Chen-Ming Chiu	Cecil E. Pond
GuaiBao Chiu	Ivy Lee Puranda
Tien-Huan Chiu	Jacquelyn Sapiie
Mary Jo Collier	Florence Schulte
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Dee & Alex Kojak	Eve Thalís
Suzanne Komonthourous	Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin Thomas
Lisa Grace (Korteweg)	Ruth E. Thomas
Jean Krueger	William Howard Thompson
Brendan Gilliat-Smith	Marilyn Ulius
Mr. & Mrs. Edwin Lot	Robbie G. Wanek
David Lownes & Lilibet	William R. Wanek
Dr. Elizabeth Maysillas	Anne Whitmore

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Please pray for:

Candy Asman, Phyllis Barr, Neta Beberino, Helen Betzaia, Becky Bjornstad, Benjamin Bradley Britta Cabanos, Ella Calderon, Phoebe Chiu, Sookjoong Choi, Dr. Johanna Cook, Edna Craddock William Cuffee, 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

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.
Tour the Church. Meet at the rear of the Sanctuary following worship.
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This Week

- Wed Dec 25** **Meals on Heels.** 9:30 am – Bonnell Hall. Help us prepare and deliver Christmas meals to homebound seniors. Contact: John Wyatt (moh@fapc.org).
- Thu Dec 26** **Christmas holiday.** Building closed.
- Sat Dec 28** **Meals on Heels.** 9:30 am – Bonnell Hall. Weekly meal preparation and delivery to homebound seniors. Contact: John Wyatt (moh@fapc.org).

Coming Up

- Wed Jan 1** **New Year's Day holiday.** Building closed.
- Sun Jan 5** **Breakfast Epiphany.** 9:30 am – Corning Logan Room. Please RSVP to Jaime Staehle (jstaehle@fapc.org).

Christmas Eve • Tuesday, Dec. 24

Family Ministries Christmas Eve. 4 pm – Sanctuary. Music begins at 3:30 pm.

The Rev. Werner Ramirez & Jaime Staehle, presiding.

Early Candlelight Service. 7:30 pm – Sanctuary. Music begins at 7 pm.

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, preaching.

Late Candlelight Service. 11 pm – Sanctuary. Music begins at 10:30 pm.

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, preaching.

Christmas Day • Wednesday, Dec. 25

Christmas Day Lessons and Carols. 11 am – Sanctuary.

The Rev. Dr. Charlene Han Powell, presiding.

There is no 9:30 am service on Christmas Day.

Next Sunday • First Sunday of Christmas

“Joy to the World” • Hebrews 2:10-18

The Rev. Werner Ramirez, preaching.

There is no 9:30 am service today.

Welcome to the World!

Parker Penelope Almy, daughter of Kristin and Spencer Almy, born Dec. 2, 2019.

Our Schedule of Christmas Services

Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church will offer three services on Christmas Eve, this Tuesday—the Family Christmas Eve Service at 4 pm, and Christmas Eve Candlelight Services at 7:30 and 11 pm. All services are in the Sanctuary. Music begins one-half hour before each service. *Please note that, because of the large numbers of visitors expected on Christmas Eve, our security team will do bag inspections at both evening services, with a bag check for oversized items.* We offer one service on Christmas Day, at 11 am in the Sanctuary. Next Sunday (Dec. 29), we will have one service, at 11 am in the Sanctuary. For details on all upcoming services, see fapc.org/worship.

Christmas Day: Volunteer with Meals on Heels

On Wednesday morning (Christmas Day), our Meals on Heels chefs will prepare a holiday feast that we will deliver to elderly and homebound neighbors in midtown. To help with the cooking, join us at 9:30 am in Bonnell Hall on the second floor. If you are available for deliveries, come upstairs immediately after the 11 am service that day. Contact: John Wyatt (moh@fapc.org).

Here's Your Year-End Checklist!

Yes, Advent is a time of waiting. But there are some productive things you can do while you wait. **First: Submit your 2020 pledge**, if you haven't already. Go to fapc.org/pledge and help us fund our ministries for the coming year! **Second: Fulfill your 2019 pledge**, if you have a balance outstanding. If you have a question about your balance, contact Richard Schexnider in our business office (rschexnider@fapc.org, 212.247.0490 ext 3044). **Third: Help us identify the next officer class!** If you, or another member you know, would make an outstanding Elder, Deacon or Trustee, go to fapc.org/officer-elections and submit the officer recommendation form. *You have until Dec. 31 to check off every item on this list!*

Coming in January: Three Remarkable Guest Preachers

The season of Epiphany brings wisdom from afar as we welcome three renowned preachers to the Fifth Avenue pulpit. On Sunday, Jan. 5, **the Rev. Dr. Tim Hart-Andersen**, senior pastor of Westminster Presbyterian Church in Minneapolis, will preach here for the first time. The day begins with a congregational breakfast at 9:30 am, with worship at 11. On Sunday, Jan. 12, philosopher and best-selling author **Dr. James K.A. Smith** is our guest preacher. Smith will lead an Adult Education event at 9:30 am on his newest book, *On the Road with Saint Augustine: A Real-World Spirituality for Restless Hearts*. On Sunday, Jan. 19, **the Rev. Aisha Brooks-Lytle** is our preacher for Martin Luther King Jr. Sunday. We will convene a panel on King's "Letter from a Birmingham Jail" at 9:30 am, with worship at 11. Please note there will be no 9:30 am service on these three Sundays. See fapc.org/events and fapc.org/worship for details on an exciting month ahead!

Coming Up: A Mission Trip to Lesotho

Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church announces our second mission trip to visit our mission partner Ministry of Hope Lesotho. The trip, set for Feb. 27 to March 9, will be led by Sally Harwood, the Mission Partner Committee liaison to Ministry of Hope. Nancy Dimmock, a co-founder of Ministry of Hope, will be our guide. Ministry of Hope is a refuge for orphaned and vulnerable children in the small, landlocked country in southern Africa. Sally and Nancy led a Fifth Avenue mission trip to Lesotho in 2015. To learn more about the organization, visit ministryofhope.org. For details on the mission trip, contact Sally at scharwood2@gmail.com.

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. Information on upcoming classes is available at fapc.org.

Community Life

Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church offers an array of opportunities for fellowship. We gather for congregation-wide events (such as Homecoming and the 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. Contact: community@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/prayer-requests. 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, Vacation Bible School and special events all year long. Learn more (and register your child) at fapc.org. Contact: familyministries@fapc.org.

Fifth Avenue Ecumenical Outreach Partnership

The Ecumenical Outreach Partnership is a collaboration among three midtown congregations – Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, Saint Thomas Church and St. Patrick's Cathedral. Working together, we are able to increase the level of support we provide to men and women experiencing homelessness and others in need of social services. The executive director, John Sheehan, LMSW, pursues street outreach and serves walk-in clients and individuals referred by Saint Thomas and St. Patrick's from his office at Fifth Avenue. We welcome your donations of warm clothing, bottled water, socks, toiletries and other essentials that our clients need. For more information, see fapc.org/ecumenical-outreach. Contact: John Sheehan (jsheehan@fapc.org).

Membership

When we say "All are welcome," we mean it. From the moment you walk through our doors, we invite you to be a part of our community. We want to learn your name, listen to your questions, and hear your story. Every step of the way, we choose you. In membership, you choose us. Through our Believing and Belonging seminars, you explore what it means to be a part of the

Christian church, the Presbyterian tradition, and Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church. Whether you're sure membership is right for you, or you're just beginning to wonder if this may be your spiritual home, we'd love to have you in an upcoming class. Email Morgan King (mking@fapc.org) or visit fapc.org/membership to learn more.

Mission Partners

Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church supports a diverse group of mission partners whose missions and ministries align closely with our own. Read more at fapc.org/mission-partners.

The Church of Gethsemane	Parity
Hands Along the Nile Development Services	Presbyterian Senior Services
Holmes Camp & Retreat Center	RDJ Refugee Shelter
Ministry of Hope Lesotho	Search and Care
Mission co-workers Mark Adams & Miriam Maldonado Escobar – US-Mexico Border	Urban Outreach Center
Mission co-workers Cobbie & Dessa Palm – Philippines	West Side Federation for Senior & Supportive Housing
Mission co-workers Dan & Elizabeth Turk – Madagascar	Womankind
Operation Exodus	

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. Contact: music@fapc.org. Our Theatre Fellowship offers a mainstage production every spring, 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 (Embrace), service projects, social events, retreats and more. Join us! We're online at fapc.org/20s-30s 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.

OFFICERS BY CLASS

The Session

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

Jane Hong, *Assistant Clerk of Session* • The Rev. Dr. Charlene Han Powell, *Executive Pastor*

The Rev. Kate Dunn, *Associate Pastor* • The Rev. Werner Ramirez, *Associate Pastor*

Class of 2020

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Trevor Illingworth
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Chrissy Wojcik
Mark Zivkovic

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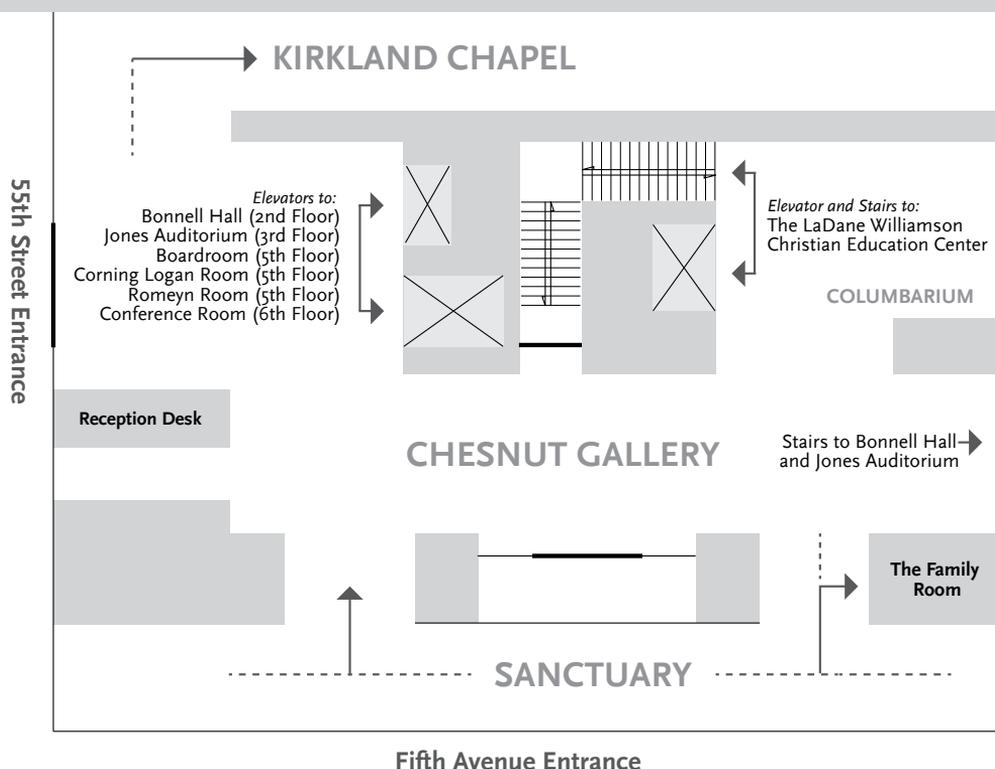
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