



FIFTH AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

BAPTISM OF THE LORD
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Philippe de Champaigne, *Saint Augustine*, ca. 1645–1650

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

Christ, unser Herr, zum Jordan kam
("Christ our Lord came to the Jordan"), BWV 684
J.S. Bach (1685–1750)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Elder Jesse Allen

from Psalm 100

One: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

All: Worship the Lord with gladness.

One: Come into God's presence with singing!

All: For the Lord is a gracious God,

One: whose mercy is everlasting;

All: and whose faithfulness endures to all generations.

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

* HYMN 624

I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

* CALL TO CONFESSION

The Rev. Dr. Charlene Han Powell

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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

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

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

Silent Reflection and Confession

* SUNG RESPONSE

(Cantor sings once; then the congregation sings once.)



Take, O take me as I am; sum - mon out what I shall
be; set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.

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* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, - jah!

Music: George Moadana.
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* PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
The Rev. Werner Ramirez

Baptismal Questions
Prayer of Thanksgiving
Baptism

* CONGREGATIONAL WELCOME

**With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you into Christ's Church;
for we are all one in Christ.**
**We promise to love, encourage and support you,
to share the good news of the gospel with you,
and to help you know and follow Christ.**

Choir and Congregation

* SUNG RESPONSE

**Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
Marked with the sign of Christ, our King;
Born of the Spirit, we are God's children
Joyfully now God's praises we sing.**

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

I Will Arise • *Traditional, arr. Alice Parker (b. 1925)
and Robert Shaw (1916–1999)*

I will arise and go to Jesus, he will embrace me in his arms,
In the arms of my dear Savior,

Oh! there are ten thousand charms.

Teach me some melodious sonnet sung
by flaming tongues above,
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it,
mount of thy redeeming love.

Come, thou fount of every blessing,
tune my heart to sing thy grace,
Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Psalm 78:25-38

Mortals ate of the bread of angels; he sent them food in abundance. He caused the east wind to blow in the heavens, and by his power he led out the south wind; he rained flesh upon them like dust, winged birds like the sand of the seas; he let them fall within their camp, all around their dwellings. And they ate and were well filled, for he gave them what they craved. But before they had satisfied their craving, while the food was still in their mouths, the anger of God rose against them and he killed the strongest of them, and laid low the flower of Israel. In spite of all this they still sinned; they did not believe in his wonders. So he made their days vanish like a breath, and their years in terror. When he killed them, they sought for him; they repented and sought God earnestly. They remembered that God was their rock, the Most High God their redeemer. But they flattered him with their mouths; they lied to him with their tongues. Their heart was not steadfast toward him; they were not true to his covenant. Yet he, being compassionate, forgave their iniquity, and did not destroy them; often he restrained his anger, and did not stir up all his wrath.

Matthew 11:25-39

At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

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

SERMON

Dr. James K.A. Smith

"Grace for the Long Haul"

* 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 649

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

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

Jesu, The Very Thought of Thee
Traditional, arr. Paul Halley (b. 1952)
Text: 12th-century Latin, trans. Edward Caswall

Jesu, the very thought of thee
With sweetness fills the breast;
But sweeter far thy face to see,
And in thy presence rest.

No voice can sing, no heart can frame,
Nor can the memory find
A sweeter sound than Jesus' name,
The savior of mankind.

O hope of every contrite heart,
O joy of all the meek,
To those who ask how kind thou art,
How good to those who seek.

But what to those who find? Ah! this
Nor tongue nor pen can show;
The love of Jesus, what it is
None but his loved ones know.

Jesu, our only joy be thou,
As thou our prize wilt be;
In thee be all our glory now,
And through eternity.

* DOXOLOGY

Hymn 606

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

* HYMN 463

How Firm a Foundation

* BENEDICTION

Please remain in your pew until the conclusion of the Choral Response.

* CHORAL RESPONSE

May the Grace of Christ • *William Smith Rockstro (1823–1895)*
Text by John Newton (1725–1807)

May the grace of Christ our Savior,
And our Maker's boundless love,
With the Holy Spirit's favor,
Rest upon us from above.

Thus may we abide in union
Held together by the Word,
And possess in rich communion
Joys which earth cannot afford.

POSTLUDE

Aspects of the Sea: Toccata • *Barrie Cabena (b. 1933)*

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* • Christina Kay, Chelsea Helm, *Sopranos*

WORSHIP NOTES

Paul Halley is a Canadian church musician of international renown, perhaps most famous for his tenure at the Cathedral of Saint John the Divine here in New York City, where he served as music director from 1977 until 1989. Halley is a major champion of world music; his compositions and arrangements are notable for their musical creativity and accessibility. His unique setting of the hymn “Jesu, The Very Thought of Thee” is especially notable for its colorful organ accompaniment—cascading 16th notes give the setting an airy, weightless quality from the opening measures, and jazzy modulations throughout breathe fresh life into this old classic.

The Prelude is a wonderfully colorful setting of the great Lutheran baptismal hymn (chorale), *Christ, unser Herr, zum Jordan kam* (“Christ our Lord came to the Jordan”) by J.S. Bach. Bach creates a churning River Jordan through continuous 16th notes in the bass (which are played by the left hand). The chorale tune is played by the pedals in the tenor range, while the right hand plays a distinctive staccato figure. The exact symbolism behind this particular figure has caused a great deal of speculation among organists and scholars over the years. It has been seen to represent everything from Christ descending into the Jordan (the staccato figure is submerged in the rolling 16th notes nine times over the course of this setting!), to “the Spirit descending like a dove” described in Mark’s gospel, to drops of water flying around as John the Baptist does his thing. Perhaps there’s truth to all three! Read over the text for yourself and see what Bach’s music says to you:

*Christ unser Herr zum Jordan kam,
Nach seines Vaters willen,
Von Sankt Johann’s die Taufe nahm,
Sein Werk und Amt zu ‘rfüllen.
Da wollt’ er stiften uns ein Bad,
Zu waschen uns von Sünden,
Ersäufen auch den bittern Tod
Durch sein selbst Blut und Wunden;
Es galt ein neues Leben.*

Christ our Lord came to the Jordan,
In accordance with his father’s will,
He received baptism from Saint John,
To fulfill his work and ministry.
By this he wanted to establish for us a bath
To wash us from our sins,
To drown also bitter death
Through his own blood and wounds;
This meant a new life.

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, 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

Faithful Departed

July 2, 2019: Vera Silva de Avilez—beloved mother of Beatriz Rocha, beloved mother-in-law of Gerson Rocha, and beloved grandmother of André, Marcelo, Gabriel and Julia de Avilez Rocha.

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** **Adult Education: On the Road with Saint Augustine.** Bonnell Hall.
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** **Confirmation Class.** Conference Room.
Lunch & Listen: Sacred Songs. Kirkland Chapel.
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

- Mon Jan 13** **Women's Association Needlework Group.** 11 am – Romeyn Room.
- Tue Jan 14** **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.
- Thu Jan 16** **FAPC Community Choir Rehearsal.** 6 pm – Jones Auditorium. All are welcome.
- Sat Jan 18** **Meals on Heels.** 9:30 am – Bonnell Hall. Weekly meal preparation and delivery to homebound seniors. Contact: John Wyatt (moh@fapc.org).

Coming Up

- Sun Jan 19** **Letter from a Birmingham Jail and Prison Reform Today.** 9:30 am – Bonnell Hall.
A panel discussion on Martin Luther King, Jr. Sunday.
Lunch and Game Day with Neighborhood Friends. 12:30 pm – Jones Auditorium. Contact: Meredith Fleck (homelessevents@fapc.org).
- Sun Feb 2** **Third Annual Chili Cook-Off.** Sunday, 12:30 pm – Bonnell Hall. For details and registration, see fapc.org/chili.
Shelter Super Bowl Party. 6:30 pm – David B. Skinner Shelter.
- Fri Feb 7** **Harps Eternal: American Folk Hymns.** 7 pm – Kirkland Chapel. The Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church Chamber Choir, directed by Ryan Jackson. Tickets available at fapc.org/tickets and on sale at the church starting Jan. 19.

Next Sunday • Martin Luther King, Jr. Sunday

“Don't Grow Weary” • Psalm 30; Galatians 6:1-10

The Rev. Aisha Brooks-Lytle, guest preacher.

There is no 9:30 am service today.

Welcome to the World!

George Frederick Ionescu, son of Emily and Mike Ionescu, born Dec. 31, 2019.

Baptized Today

Palmour Elaine Love, daughter of James and Julia Love.

Welcome, James K.A. Smith!

Today we are delighted to welcome Dr. James K.A. Smith to our pulpit for the first time. Dr. Smith is a professor of philosophy at Calvin University in Grand Rapids, Michigan, and the author or co-author of 24 books, including *You Are What You Love: The Spiritual Power of Habit* (2016), which inspired our fall 2019 sermon series, *Curate Your Heart*. His most recent book, *On the Road with Saint Augustine: A Real-World Spirituality for Restless Hearts*, considers the fourth-century saint's enduring contributions to modern philosophy and the existential questions of our time.

Today: Help with the Theatre Fellowship Production

Later this winter, the Theatre Fellowship will debut its production of Noël Coward's 1941 comedy, *Blithe Spirit*. If you are interested in ushering, stage managing, set creation, costuming or other work behind the scenes, come to the Romeyn Room following worship today. Auditions for acting roles will be announced at a later date. Contact: Linda Ferm (fermink@nyc.rr.com).

Next Week: Martin Luther King Jr. Sunday

Next Sunday (Jan. 19) we will mark the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday with a discussion of King's "Letter from a Birmingham Jail" and a dynamic guest preacher. At 9:30 am in Bonnell Hall, we will discuss how King's 1963 letter can inspire prison reform today. Panelists will be the Rev. Charles Atkins, chaplain at the Garden State Youth Correctional Facility; Clinton Washington, client advocate at Bronx Freedom Fund; and Clifford Skeene, who will share his story of incarceration. At 11 am, we will welcome the Rev. Aisha Brooks-Lytle to our pulpit. Rev. Brooks-Lytle is executive presbyter of the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta and a nationally recognized preacher.

This Is War: A Three-Week Sermon Series

On Sunday, Jan. 26, Senior Pastor Scott Black Johnston begins a three-week sermon series addressing faith and the ethics of war. With rumors of war dominating the headlines, we will consider the Christian response to war, whether God takes sides in human conflict, and the ethic that Jesus calls us to embrace. See details at fapc.org/worship and plan to join us.

Call for Volunteers: Lunch & Game Day

Outreach Ministries' annual Lunch & Game Day is happening next Sunday afternoon (Jan. 19) in Jones Auditorium. This event welcomes our neighbors who are living on the streets inside for a fried chicken lunch, fun and fellowship. We need volunteers to bring dessert, host at table, and assist with set-up and clean-up. Contact: Meredith Fleck (homelessevents@fapc.org).

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. 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	Urban Outreach Center
Escobar – US-Mexico Border	West Side Federation for Senior &
Mission co-workers Cobbie & Dessa Palm – Philippines	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](https://www.instagram.com/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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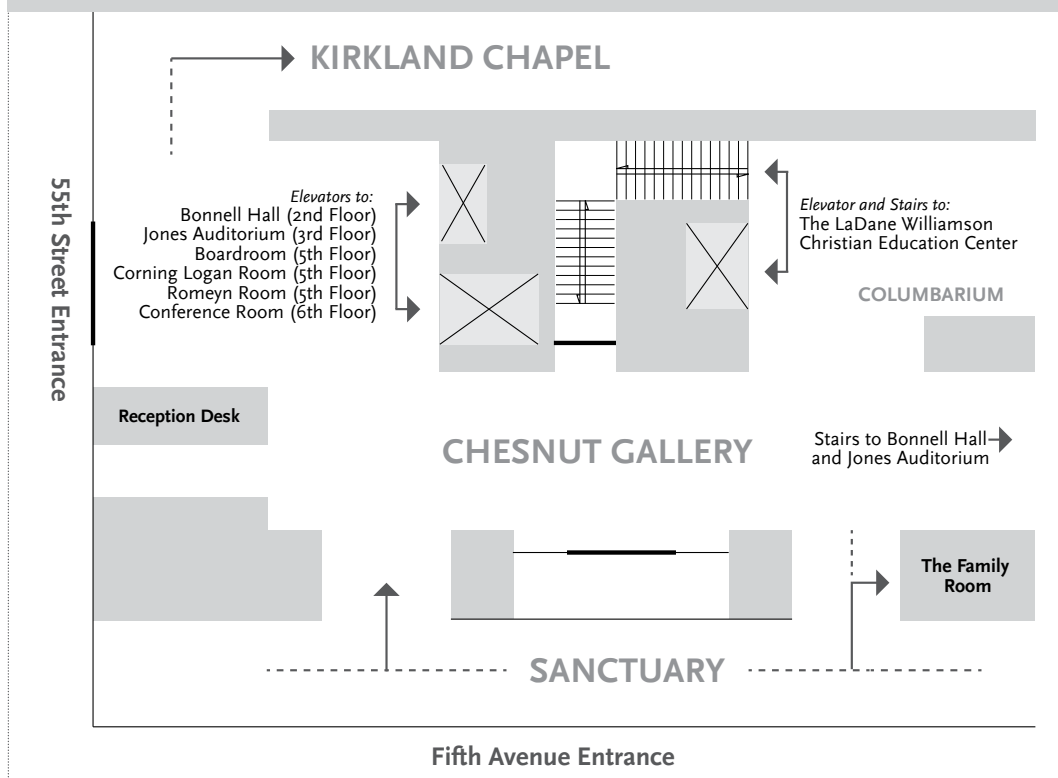
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