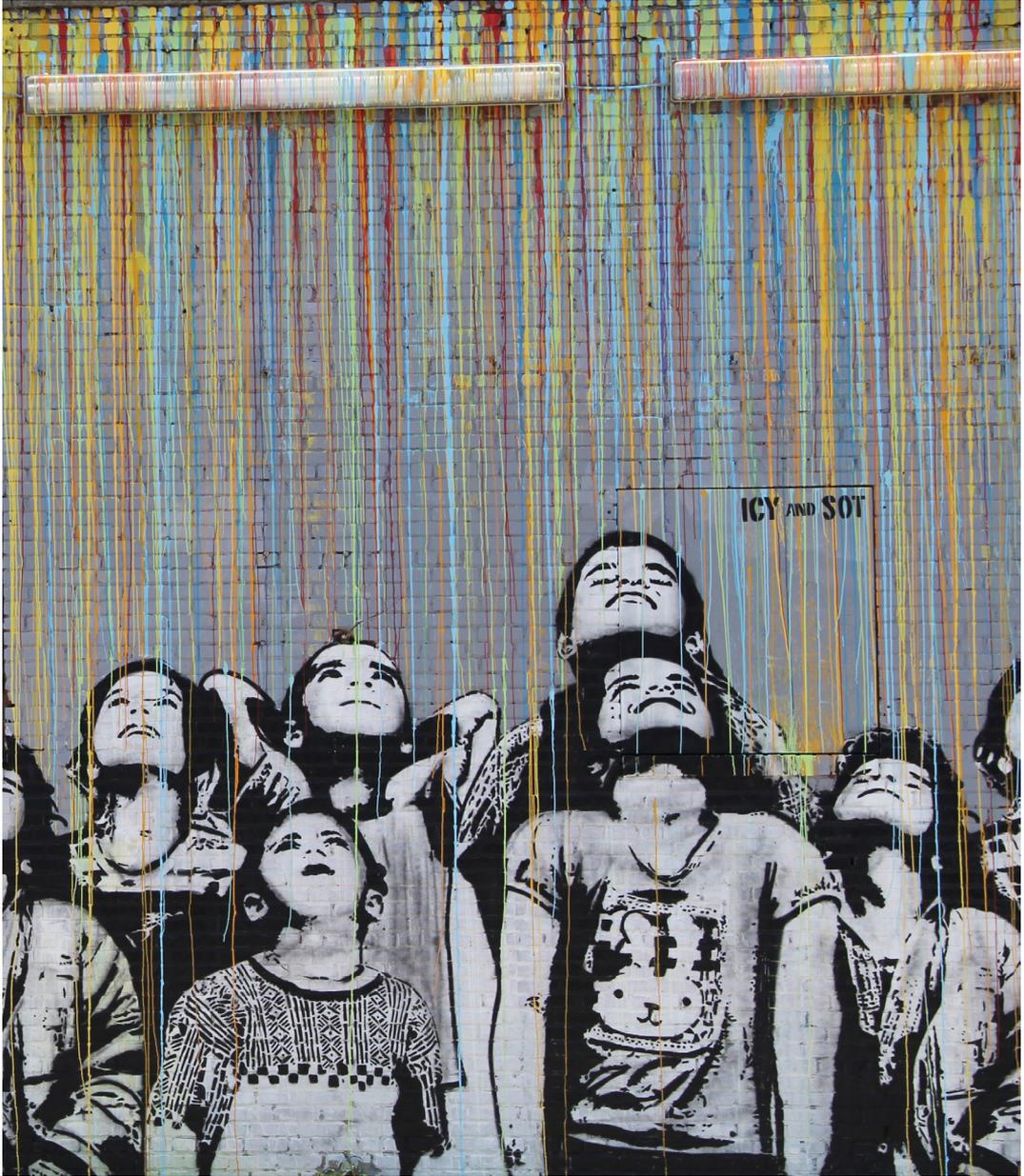


# Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
MAY 29, 2022 • 10:00 AM



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**This Is God's House. All Are Welcome.**

## WELCOME TO FIFTH AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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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. Introduce yourself to one of our clergy or someone at our Welcome Table. We have tons of programs and community groups to feed your soul and expand your spirit. Try one out. You never know—you just might be home!

**Scott Black Johnston**  
Senior Pastor

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### Welcome

We’d love to connect! Please scan the QR code or fill out a Connect Card that you will find in your pew. You can fill it out online, or place the card into an offering plate, hand it to an usher, or drop it off at the Welcome Table (inside the Fifth Avenue entrance). The folks at the Welcome Table can provide you with information about our ministries and programs. Our Sanctuary doors open at 9 am every Sunday.

### These May Help During the Service

If you would like a large-print bulletin, please ask an usher.

### 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. We also provide childcare for infants and toddlers from 9 am until 11:30 am in the LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center. Learn more about our Family Ministries at [fapc.org](http://fapc.org).

### Worship Resources Online

Head to [fapc.org](http://fapc.org) for information about future worship services. Our weekly video service, Light, Leaven & Salt, is available throughout the week at [fapc.org/worship](http://fapc.org/worship). This morning’s Prayers of the People can be found at [fapc.org/pray](http://fapc.org/pray).

### 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.

In response to Covid-19, Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church recommends that **all in-person worshippers be fully vaccinated and boosted**. If you are experiencing cold or flu symptoms, we ask you to “love your neighbors” by staying at home and worshipping via Livestream.



**We provide mask-required and mask-optional areas in our Sanctuary. Please ask an usher if you have any questions.**

## 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

Chorale no. 1 in E major • César Franck (1822–1890)

### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

*Elder Patrick Obeng-Frimpong*

One: Let praise to God resound in the heavens!

**All: Let praise to God fill the earth!**

One: Let all God's angels offer praise and rejoicing!

**All: Let all God's creatures sing praise and joy!**

One: Open your hearts and spirits today.

**All: Let us praise the Lord today and always! Amen.**

### \* HYMN 268

**Crown Him with Many Crowns**

### \* CALL TO CONFESSION

*The Rev. Dr. Jonah So*

### \* 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

O Je - sus, King of gen - tle - ness, Do all our  
in - most hearts pos - sess; O Lord of all, with us a -  
bide In this our joy - ful Eas - ter - tide.

Music: Trier ms., 15th century; adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1609 - PUER NOBIS NASCITUR.  
Text: Latin hymn, 15th century; trans. John Mason Neale, 1852.

### \* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\* RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Eas - ter peo - ple, raise your voic - es, sounds of heaven in earth should ring.  
 Christ has brought us heav - en's choic - es; heaven - ly mu - sic— let it ring.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Eas - ter peo - ple, let us sing.

Music: Henry T. Smart, 1867 - REGENT SQUARE. Text: William M. James, 1979 © The United Methodist Publishing House. All rights reserved. Reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-721169.

\* PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANTHEM

O, Clap Your Hands • *Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)*  
 Text: *Psalm 47*

O, clap your hands, all ye people;  
 Shout unto God with the voice of triumph.  
 For the Lord most high is terrible:  
 He is a great King over all the earth.  
 God is gone up with a shout,  
 The Lord with the sound of a trumpet.  
 Sing praises to God, sing praises;  
 Sing praises unto our King, sing praises;  
 For God is King of all the earth;  
 Sing ye praises everyone that hath understanding.  
 God reigneth over the heathen:  
 God sitteth upon the throne of His holiness.  
 Sing praises unto our King, sing praises.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

*Acts 16:16-34*

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, “These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.” She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, “I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.” And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, “These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.”

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The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

One: This is the Word of God; for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

*The Rev. Werner Ramirez*

**"Therefore... We Are Liberated"**

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Confession of Belhar*

**We believe**

**that God has revealed God's self**

**as the one who wishes to bring about justice  
and true peace among people;**

**that God, in a world full of injustice and enmity,  
is in a special way the God of the destitute,  
the poor and the wronged**

**that God calls the church to follow God in this;  
for God brings justice to the oppressed  
and gives bread to the hungry;**

**that God frees the prisoner and restores sight to the blind;  
that God supports the downtrodden, protects the stranger,  
helps orphans and widows**

**and blocks the path of the ungodly;**

**that for God pure and undefiled religion**

**is to visit the orphans and the widows in their suffering;**

**that God wishes to teach the church to do what is good  
and to seek the right. Amen.**

\* HYMN 734

**Hope of the World**

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*The Rev. Sarah A. Speed*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.  
Amen.**

CALL TO GIVE

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

God is Gone Up • *Gerald Finzi (1901–1956)*  
*Text by Edward Taylor (circa. 1646–1729)*

God is gone up with a triumphant shout:  
The Lord with sounding Trumpets' melodies:  
Sing Praise, sing Praise, sing Praise, sing Praises out,  
Unto our King sing praise seraphic-wise!  
Lift up your Heads, ye lasting Doors, they sing,  
And let the King of Glory enter in.  
Methinks I see Heaven's sparkling courtiers fly,  
In flakes of Glory down him to attend,  
And hear Heart-cramping notes of Melody  
Surround his Chariot as it did ascend;  
Mixing their Music, making ev'ry string  
More to enravish as they this tune sing.

\* DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.**

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER

\* HYMN 265

**Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun**

\* BENEDICTION

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

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\* CHORAL RESPONSE

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies • *Keith Bissell (1912–1992)*  
*Text by Charles Wesley (1707–1788)*

Christ, whose glory fills the skies,  
Christ, the true, the only Light,  
Sun of righteousness, arise,  
Triumph o'er the shades of night;  
Dayspring from on high, be near;  
Daystar, in my heart appear.

POSTLUDE

*L'ascension: Transports de joie • Olivier Messiaen (1908–1992)*

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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*  
Dr. Patrick Kreeger, *Associate Organist*

## WORSHIP NOTES

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This morning's Anthem was composed by Ralph Vaughan Williams, a leading figure in twentieth-century music who wrote extensively in all genres. Vaughan Williams, an English composer, conductor, and organist, made an especially important contribution to sacred music as the editor of *The English Hymnal*, which was published in 1906 and is still in use today. *O Clap Your Hands*, a festive setting of Psalm 47, was composed in 1920, shortly after Vaughan Williams returned to England from serving in the Royal Medical Corp in France during World War I. The piece was first sung at Westminster Abbey where it was received with great enthusiasm by the audience. Through countless performances, recordings, and broadcasts since that time, *O Clap Your Hands* has become one of the most popular and famous pieces of English church music from the early 20th century.

The great English composer, Gerald Finzi, composed *God is Gone Up* for a St. Cecilia's Day celebration at St. Sepulchre Anglican Church in central London in 1951. Finzi chose the words of American poet Edward Taylor (circa. 1646–1729) to be the foundation for this, his most famous anthem. Taylor's biblically based text describes an imaginary celebration following the Ascension of Christ, an occasion marked each year on the Day of Ascension (celebrated this past week on Thursday, May 26th). The joyous work begins with instrumental fireworks on the organ – “God is gone up with a triumphant shout!” the choir exclaims, and the organ rushes to join them. The piece is organized into three major sections: jubilant music of praise dominates the two outer sections, with a more serene section in the middle. This inner section, featuring sustained melodies and floating harmonies, beautifully captures images of flitting heavenly creatures encircling the chariot of God.

Olivier Messiaen was one of the most renowned organists and composers of the 20th century. His wonderfully evocative work, *L'ascension* (“The Ascension”) began its life as a four-movement suite for orchestra. Realizing it would make a wonderful organ piece, Messiaen arranged the first, second, and fourth movements for organ, and composed a different third movement for the new version. This morning we hear the thrilling third movement as the Postlude: *Transports de joie d'une âme devant la gloire du Christ qui est la sienne* (“Outbursts of joy of a soul before the glory of Christ, which is its own glory”), usually referred to simply as *Transports de joie*. Like *God is Gone Up*, we hear Messiaen's music this morning in commemoration of the Day of Ascension.

## CONGREGATIONAL CARE

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### ***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 that 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](http://fapc.org/prayer-requests).

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### ***Please pray for:***

Candy Asman, Neta Beberino, Helen Betzaia, Becky Bjornstad, Benjamin Bradley, Bill Brown  
Britta Cabanos, Ella Calderon, Pastor Toribio Cajiuat, Phoebe Chiu, Sookjoong Choi  
Dr. Johanna Cook, Edna Craddock, William Cuffee, Athanassia Doucas, Sherian Edgreen  
David Elissa and Barbara Mitchell, Michael Elissa, Narmella Elissa, Sterling Gillis IV  
Wanda Roush Hannan, Christopher Henderson, Maggie Hendrix, Juliet Kaldanie  
Susan Kempler, Frederick Loomis, Louis Sterling King, Richard J. Lawson, Mary Lowry  
Lauren Ma, Keiko Matsuzaki, The McCall Family, Phyllis Oblander, Dexter Ramcharan  
Pauline Sample, Robert Scheuer, Tshombe Selby, Taylor Shultz, Brian Smith, Rosabelle Smith  
Spencer Robert Smith, Frieda Sompotan, Rocco Tannehill, Harold Tither, Susan Tobiason  
Betty Ty, Henny Waisapy, 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 Kristia Tolode ([congregationalcare@fapc.org](mailto:congregationalcare@fapc.org), 212.247.0490 ext 3007).

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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### Today

- 9:30 am**      **Little Lambs.** LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.
- 10 am**        **Worship.** Sanctuary.
- 11:15 am**    **Coffee Hour.** The Weber Terrace. Join us after worship for a cup of coffee and an opportunity to chat with clergy and friends.
- Tour of the Church.** Join us for a tour of the Sanctuary, Kirkland Chapel and Columbarium. After worship, look for a docent in the back of the Sanctuary with a “tour starts here” sign.
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### This Week

- Mon May 30**    **Memorial Day Observance.** Building closed.
- Thu June 2**    **Fifth Avenue Community Choir Rehearsal.** 6 pm • Jones Auditorium. All are welcome.
- Sat June 4**    **FAYA: Summer Kick-Off Party.** 7 pm • Pier i Café. Let’s celebrate!
- Meals on Heels Volunteers Needed.** 8:30 am • Bonnell Hall. Join us for weekly meal preparation and delivery to homebound seniors. Advance signup is required by emailing [moh@fapc.org](mailto:moh@fapc.org).

### Coming Up

- Sun June 5**    **Day of Pentecost & Ordination and Installation of Officers.** 10 am EDT Sanctuary & Livestream. The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, preaching.
- Coffee Hour Celebration: Dr. Ryan Jackson’s 10th Anniversary.** 11:15 am • The Weber Terrace.
- Fri June 10–**    **Family Camp.** Join us for a time of fellowship and fun as we work to deepen our  
**Sun June 12**    faith. Visit [fapc.org/events](http://fapc.org/events) for more information and to register.
- Sat June 18**    **Young Adult Party at Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church.** 7 pm • Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church. It’s dips and drinks time!
- Tue June 21**    **Employment Advisory: What Happens to Your Resume after You Send It?**  
6:15 pm • Zoom Meeting. Join us for a panel of those on the inside and learn how job applications are received. Register at [fapc.org/events](http://fapc.org/events).
- Fri June 24**    **Women’s Summer Sabbath Retreat.** 6 pm • Community of St. John Baptist. Join us for our annual Women’s Summer Sabbath! Register at [fapc.org/events](http://fapc.org/events).
- Sun July 10**    **Believing & Belonging: Digital New Member Class, Session 1.** 2 pm EDT • Zoom. Led by the Rev. Sarah A. Speed. Visit [fapc.org/events](http://fapc.org/events).

### **Next Sunday • Day of Pentecost**

“Therefore... We Speak with Fire” • Acts 2:1-13  
*The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, preaching.*

### **Memorial Day Appreciation & Save the Date**

On this Memorial Day weekend, Fifth Avenue remembers all of the men and women who have sacrificed their lives for this country. We invite you to save the date for an event years in the making. On November 13, 2022, following the 11 am worship service, Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church will dedicate two plaques honoring the 366 members and friends of this church who served in either World War I, World War II, or the Korean War. We would like to have descendants of those listed on these plaques in attendance. If you would like to assist our church archivist, Dale Hansen, in finding direct and collateral descendants of these individuals, write him at [archives@fapc.org](mailto:archives@fapc.org).

### **Welcome to our new Director of Engagement**

Next Sunday, June 5 we welcome Ashley Gonzalez, our new Director of Engagement to worship. Ashley joins the staff on June 1 and is part of Fifth Avenue's Engagement Team that is led by Rev. Sarah A. Speed.

### **Join Sarah & Ashley for a July trip to Appalachia**

Join us for a week of service to Appalachia from Sunday, July 31 to Saturday, August 6. Our host for the week is Bethlehem Farms, a working farm and intentional community whose ministry is to support local Appalachians with home rehabilitation projects. Participants will live and work in community committed to the farm's four values: service, prayer, simplicity and community. Rev. Sarah Speed and Ashley Gonzalez, our new Director of Engagement, will lead this trip. The cost per participant is \$350.00. For additional information or to register, visit [fapc.org/events](http://fapc.org/events).

### **Fifth Avenue Volunteer Appreciation**

How many ways can Fifth Avenue say thank you? Next Sunday, June 5 we celebrate all the volunteers and officers who have worked so hard to make this such a successful year at the church.

### **Memorial Service**

A Memorial service for Gloria Barnes Harper will take place next Sunday, June 5 at 2 pm in the Kirkland Chapel. This Memorial will be Livestreamed at [fapc.org/memorial-Barnes](http://fapc.org/memorial-Barnes).

### **What is Your Therefore?**

God loves you. Therefore... what is your therefore? Clergy have been asking this question throughout our "therefore" sermon series. We want to hear yours! Submit your "therefore" at [fapc.org/therefore](http://fapc.org/therefore), or fill out a postcard and place it in an offering plate.

### **Fifth Avenue Young Adults (FAYA) & Madison Avenue Young Adults Party**

The young adults at Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church have invited FAYA to join them on their tenth floor rooftop garden for a dips and drinks party. Bring your favorite dip—be it chocolate fondue or salsa—and join us on the Madison Avenue roof! Saturday, June 18, 7 pm.

### **Women's Summer Sabbath Retreat**

Join us for our annual Women's Summer Sabbath at the Community of St. John Baptist in Mendham, NJ from Friday, June 24 through Sunday, June 26. Through Bible study, worship, group conversation, and times for personal meditation and reflection we will discover the stories of women in the Old Testament who wept. Space is limited, so sign up at [fapc.org/events](http://fapc.org/events)! (If you have already paid for the Winter Sabbath Retreat, your registration has rolled over.)

## GETTING CONNECTED

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### **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/adult-ed](http://fapc.org/adult-ed).

### **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 visit [fapc.org/care](http://fapc.org/care) to submit a prayer request and learn more about our congregational care program.

### **Family Ministries**

Family Ministries brings together people of diverse backgrounds and families of all definitions to nurture healthy children and strong, faithful families. Our Little Lambs Nursery for infants and toddlers is available every Sunday throughout the year; the current hours are 9:30 to 11:30 am. Our Sunday morning youth and children's programming is on break for the summer, but we have lots of special events that we'd love to have your youth and children join us for. Learn more (and register your child) at [fapc.org/family](http://fapc.org/family).

### **Fifth Avenue Young Adults (FAYA)**

FAYA 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. During the program year, we have a Wednesday evening gathering, service projects, social events, retreats and more. Throughout the summer, we focus on learning our city and fellowship. Join us! We're online at [fapc.org/faya](http://fapc.org/faya) and on Instagram @FAPCFAYA.

### **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 online class. Visit [fapc.org/membership](http://fapc.org/membership) to learn more.

### **Music & Arts**

Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church is home to a versatile program of music and 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 Fifth Avenue Community Choir for entry-level vocalists. Visit [fapc.org/choirs](http://fapc.org/choirs) to learn more about our choirs.

Theatre Fellowship is a community of artists and artisans that promotes congregational fellowship through our shared love of the theater. They offer a mainstage production every spring, staged readings, a cabaret and other events during the year. This ministry is currently on hiatus.

The Arts & Our Faith Committee sponsors exhibitions of art, history and photography in the Chesnut Gallery, often featuring work by members of the congregation. Visit [fapc.org/gallery](http://fapc.org/gallery) for our online exhibitions.

### **Outreach and Missions**

Outreach and Missions upholds the pulpit message of our pastors by serving those in need! Taking up cause, service and acting for vulnerable individuals and populations is our commitment to being light, leaven and salt. Our signature suite of Outreach programs includes: Homelessness and the David B. Skinner Shelter, Meals on Heels, the Ecumenical Outreach Partnership, A Place at the Table and Mission Partners. Members from across the church landscape participate in Outreach and Missions' events, volunteer their time and talents, and offer their leadership on various program committees to ensure that vulnerable and in need populations are supported by Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church. To learn more about Outreach and Missions, or to volunteer with our two feeding ministries, Meals on Heels or A Place at the Table, please email: [outreach@fapc.org](mailto:outreach@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, 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 visit [fapc.org/volunteer](http://fapc.org/volunteer).

### **Women's Association**

The Women's Association's 2022 Holiday Bazaar will be held in November. Do you have donations? We gladly accept art work, collectibles, new and gently used clothing, handbags, accessories and other items for this annual Joy of Christmas Bazaar. (No books, pots and pans, toys or electronics, please.) You may leave your items at the front desk at the 55th Street entrance. Future Women's Association programs will resume in the fall.

## OFFICERS BY CLASS

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### The Session

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