



Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 6, 2022 • 11:00 AM



Lauren Wright Pittman, *Harvest of Righteousness*, 2021

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, gathered in the Sanctuary and online, 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 lots 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

New to Fifth Avenue?

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 Welcome Table (inside the Fifth Avenue entrance). You may also complete the welcome form online at fapc.org/welcome. Our friends at the Welcome Table can provide you with information about our ministries, programs and volunteer opportunities.

Large-Print Bulletins

Please speak with an usher if you would like to use a large-print bulletin to follow the service.

Families with Children

Children are always welcome in worship! Families are free 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, 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 to 12:30 pm in the LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.

Worship Resources Online

A replay of today’s service will be available this afternoon at fapc.org/playback. This morning’s Prayers of the People can be found at fapc.org/pray. Details about the upcoming service each week can be found at fapc.org/this-sunday. For information about future worship services, visit fapc.org/worship.

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. Please provide your mobile phone number or an email address to the staff person at the 55th Street reception desk. You will receive a QR code to use at the garage. (The garage no longer provides physical validation stickers.)

We recommend that all who worship with us in person be vaccinated (and boosted) against Covid-19. If you are experiencing cold or flu symptoms, please stay home and worship with us via livestream. You will find the livestream service every week at fapc.org/live.



**We provide mask-required and mask-optional seating areas in the Sanctuary.
Please ask an usher if you have 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

Berceuse á la Mémoire de Louis Vierne

Pierre Cochereau (1924–1984)

Variations sur Sine Nomine • *Denis Bédard (b. 1950)*

INTROIT

Introit and Kyrie from Requiem • Gabriel Fauré (1845–1924)

Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine:

et lux perpetua luceat eis.

Te decet hymnus, Deus in Sion:

et tibi reddetur votum in Jerusalem.

Exaudi orationem meam,

ad te omnis caro veniet.

Kyrie eleison.

Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

Grant eternal rest to them, Lord,

And let perpetual light shine on them.

A hymn befits you, God in Zion,

And a vow to you shall be fulfilled in Jerusalem.

Hear my prayer,

For unto you all flesh shall come.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Elder Eric Daniels

One: How are you this morning?

**All: It would be easy for us to say “fine, thank you,”
but the truth is there are lots of things going on
in our lives, lots of time crunches and pressures.**

One: You have come to the right place. Rest for a minute.
Take a deep breath, and let it out slowly.
Just relax, and let your heart be open
to God’s word for you.

All: That sounds good to us.

One: Feel the healing, soothing power of God’s love for you.

**All: Lord, we rest here in your compassionate love.
We worship you with our minds, spirits and hearts.
Amen.**

* HYMN 393

O Day of Rest and Gladness

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

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, ky - ri - e e - le - i - son,
ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

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* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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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 exit the Sanctuary for Children's Church.
If this is your child's first time at Fifth Avenue, please accompany them downstairs.*

- LITANY OF PARTING All: May God be with you there.
 Children: May God be with you here.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ashley Gonzalez, Director of Engagement

MOMENT FOR COMMITMENT *Lia Robertson, Fifth Avenue Youth Group*

NECROLOGY (*See insert*)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON *Exodus 16*

April Fellers, Ashley Gonzalez & Lia Robertson

The whole congregation of the Israelites set out from Elim; and Israel came to the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had departed from the land of Egypt. The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as

much as they gather on other days.” So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, “In the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?” And Moses said, “When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the Lord.” Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, ‘Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.’” And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, “I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.’”

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat. This is what the Lord has commanded: ‘Gather as much of it as each of you needs, an omer to a person according to the number of persons, all providing for those in their own tents.’” The Israelites did so, some gathering more, some less. But when they measured it with an omer, those who gathered much had nothing over, and those who gathered little had no shortage; they gathered as much as each of them needed. And Moses said to them, “Let no one leave any of it over until morning.” But they did not listen to Moses; some left part of it until morning, and it bred worms and became foul. And Moses was angry with them. Morning by morning they gathered it, as much as each needed; but when the sun grew hot, it melted.

On the sixth day they gathered twice as much food, two omers apiece. When all the leaders of the congregation came and told Moses, he said to them, “This is what the Lord has commanded: ‘Tomorrow is a day of solemn rest, a holy sabbath to the Lord; bake what you want to bake and boil what you want to boil, and all that is left over put aside to be kept until morning.’” So they put it aside until morning, as Moses commanded them; and it did not become foul, and there were no worms in it. Moses said, “Eat it today, for today is a sabbath to the Lord; today you will not find it in the field. Six days you shall gather it; but on the seventh day, which is a sabbath, there will be none.” On the seventh day some of the people went out to gather, and they found none. The Lord said to Moses, “How long will you refuse to keep my commandments and instructions? See! The Lord has given you the sabbath, therefore on the sixth day he gives you food for two days; each of you stay where you are; do not leave your place on the seventh day.” So the people rested on the seventh day. The house of Israel called it manna; it was like coriander seed, white, and the taste of it was like wafers made with honey.

Moses said, “This is what the Lord has commanded: ‘Let an omer of it be kept throughout your generations, in order that they may see the food with which I fed you in the wilderness, when I brought you out of the land of Egypt.’” And Moses said to Aaron, “Take a jar, and put an omer of manna in it, and place it before the Lord, to be kept throughout your generations.” As the Lord commanded Moses, so Aaron placed it before the covenant, for safekeeping. The Israelites ate manna forty years, until they came to a habitable land; they ate manna, until they came to the border of the land of Canaan. An omer is a tenth of an ephah.

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

SERMON

The Rev. Werner Ramirez

“Remember to Breathe”

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from The Belhar Confession

**We believe that God’s life-giving Word and Spirit
has conquered the powers of sin and death,
and therefore also of irreconciliation and hatred,
bitterness and enmity,
that God’s life-giving Word and Spirit will enable the Church
to live in a new obedience
which can open new possibilities of life for society
and the world. Amen.**

CALL TO GIVE

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Sanctus from Requiem • Gabriel Fauré

*Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth,
Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.*

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts,
the heavens and earth are filled with your glory.
Hosanna in the highest!

* 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

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy God, we praise you.

Let the heavens be joyful, and the earth be glad.

We bless you for creating the whole world, for your promises to your people Israel,
and for Jesus Christ, in whom your fullness dwells.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of the
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the
 pow - er and might, Heav'n and earth are
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
 full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Born of Mary, he shares our life. Eating with sinners, he welcomes us.
 Guiding his children, he leads us. Visiting the sick, he heals us.
 Dying on the cross, he saves us. Rising from the dead, he gives new life.
 Living with you, he prays for us. Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died; Christ is ris - en; Christ will come a - gain.
 Christ has died; Christ is ris - en; Christ will come a - gain.

With thanksgiving we take this bread and this cup
 and proclaim the death and resurrection of our Lord.
 Receive our sacrifice of praise.
 Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us, that this meal may be a communion
 in the body and blood of our Lord.
 Make us one with Christ and with all who share this feast.
 Unite us in faith, encourage us with hope, inspire us to love,
 that we may serve as your faithful disciples until we feast at your table in glory.
 We praise you, eternal God, through Christ your Word made flesh,
 in the holy and life-giving Spirit, now and forever.

A - men, a - men, a - - - men.

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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.**

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Agnus Dei from *Requiem* • *Gabriel Fauré*

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
dona eis requiem, sempiternam requiem.
Lux aeterna luceat eis, Domine:
Cum sanctis tuis in aeternum,
quia pius es.
Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine:
et lux perpetua luceat eis.*

O Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
grant them rest, everlasting rest.
May eternal light shine on them, Lord,
with your saints, for eternity,
for you are merciful.
Grant eternal rest to them, Lord,
and let perpetual light shine on them.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

* HYMN 326

For All the Saints

* BENEDICTION

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

* CHORAL RESPONSE

In Paradisum from *Requiem* • *Gabriel Fauré*

*In Paradisum deducant Angeli:
in tuo adventu suscipiant te Martyres,
et perducant te in civitatem sanctam
Jerusalem.
Chorus angelorum te suscipit,
et cum Lazaro quondam paupere
aeternam habeas requiem.*

May angels lead you into paradise.
At your coming may martyrs receive you,
and may they lead you into the Holy City,
Jerusalem.
May the chorus of angels receive you,
and with Lazarus, who once was a pauper,
may you have eternal rest.

POSTLUDE

Prelude in E-flat major, op. 99 no. 3
Camille Saint-Saëns (1835–1921)

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

Most of the choral music for this service comes from Gabriel Fauré's beloved setting of the *Requiem* mass, the traditional mass to commemorate the dead. Composed between 1887 and 1890, the piece was an instant success and has remained one of the most popular choral pieces in the repertoire. The movements are filled with gorgeous melodies and evocative impressionist harmonies, beautifully capturing Fauré's personal understanding of death as "a happy deliverance, an aspiration toward happiness above, rather than as a painful experience."

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

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.

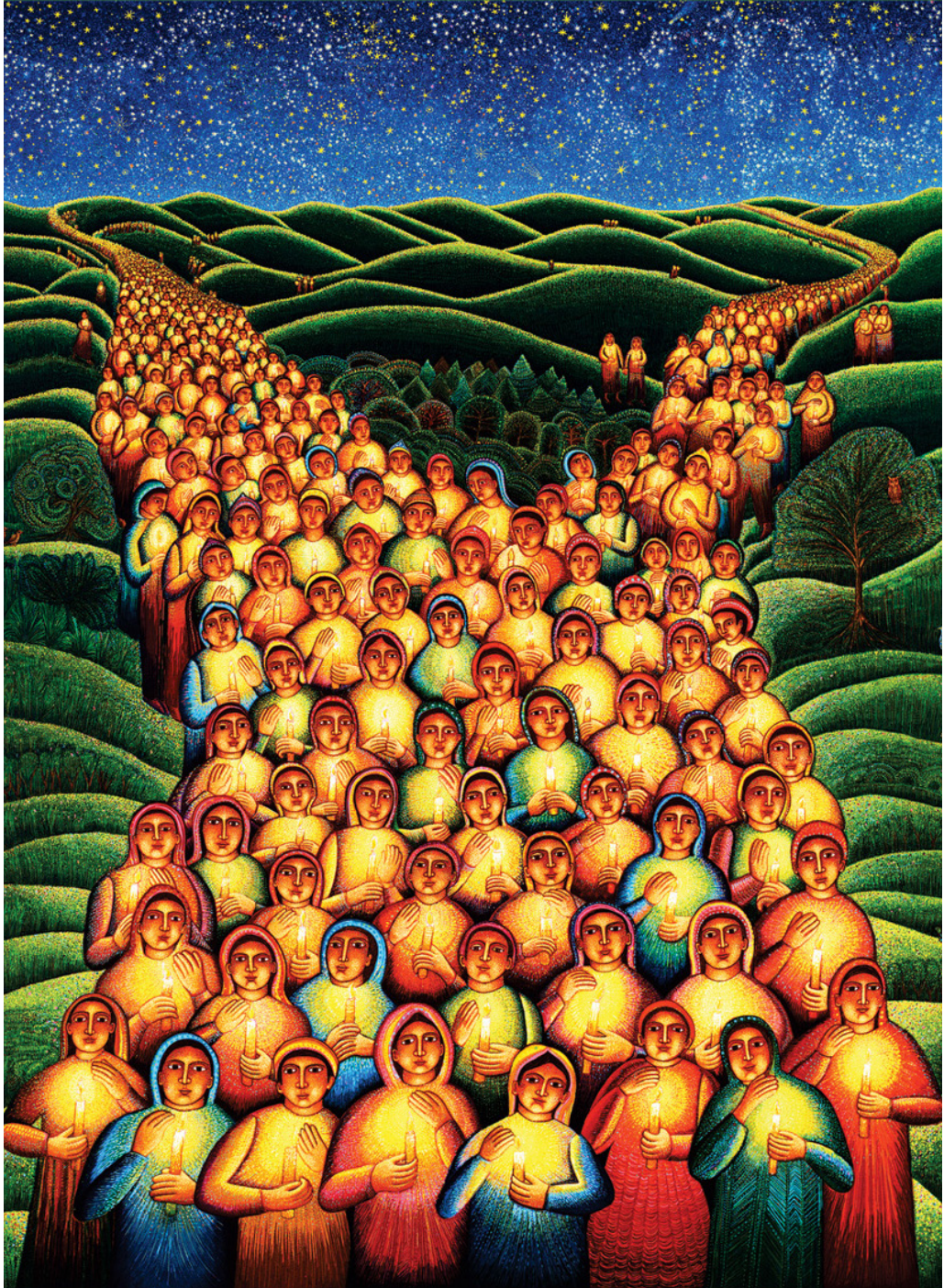
Please pray for:

Candy Asman, Neta Beberino, Helen Betzaia, Becky Bjornstad, Benjamin Bradley, Bill Brown
Britta Cabanos, Ella Calderon, Pastor Toribio Cajiuat, Phoebe Chiu, Sookjoong Choi
Anne Coffey, 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, Ceciwa Khonje, Richard J. Lawson
Mary Lowry, Lauren Ma, Keiko Matsuzaki, The McCall Family, Frank Owarish, Dexter Ramcharan
Pauline Sample, Robert Scheuer, Tshombe Selby, Taylor Shultz, Spencer Robert Smith
Frieda Sompotan, Rocco Tannehill, Harold Tither, Susan Tobiason, Betty Ty, Henny Waisapy
Bill Wanek, 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, 212.247.0490 ext 3007).

THE NECROLOGY

FIFTH AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
November 6, 2022



INTRODUCTION

A Reading from John Donne

Meditation XVII of Devotions upon Emergent Occasions

The Church is catholic, universal, so are all her actions; all that she does belongs to all. When she baptizes a child, that action concerns me; for that child is thereby connected to that body which is my head too and ingrafted into that body whereof I am a member. And when [the Church] buries a person, that action concerns me. All [of humanity] is of one author, and is one volume; when one [person] dies, one chapter is not torn out of the book, but translated into a better language; and every chapter must be so translated. God employs several translators; some pieces are translated by age, some by sickness, some by war, some by justice; but [the Lord's] hand is in every translation, and [God's] hand shall bind up all our scattered leaves again for that library where every book shall lie open to one another. As therefore the bell that rings to a sermon calls not upon the preacher only but upon the congregation to come, so this bell calls us all...

No [one] is an island entire of itself; every[one] is a piece of the continent, a part of the main. If a clod be washed away by the sea, Europe is the less, as well as if a promontory were, as well as if a manor of thy friend's or of thine own were. Any[one's] death diminishes me, because I am involved in [hu]mankind, and therefore never send to know for whom the bell tolls; it tolls for thee.

PRAYER

READING OF NAMES

Willard Newton • 2/21/21

Muriel Ann Primas • 9/22/21

Yang Yang Liu • 11/16/21

Karl Sukhdeo • 12/10/21

Thomas W. Packard • 12/23/21

Todd Whiting • 1/4/22

Curtis Ahaz Caiby • 1/5/22

Olga Mary Roberts • 1/13/22

Phyllis Barr • 1/20/22

Martin M. Phillips • 2/8/22

Susan Tisch • 2/9/22

Eric Ramaharonirina • 2/24/22

Leah May MacMorran • 2/25/22

Roland Wong • 2/28/22

Thomas S. Harrah • 3/9/22

Judith Locke McLendon • 3/12/22

John A. Pollitt • 4/2/22

Richard T. Bouchett • 4/17/22

Jack S. Webb • 4/20/22

Ella Lonesome • 4/22/22

Mary Hall Gambee • 4/27/22

Patricia L. (De Lue) Glimpse • 5/5/22
Carolyn Gilman • 5/12/22
Irene Bell • 6/2/22
Smyth R Mulligan • 6/3/22
Harris “Chip” G. Rogers III • 6/4/22
Tyrone Harding Jackson • 6/13/22
Richard T. Karlsson • 6/17/22
William Theodore “Ted” Kuck • 6/19/22
Phyllis Oblander • 7/2/22
Eleanor McKenzie Graves • 7/8/22
Richard L. Pollitt • 7/22/22
Eleanore McCormick Blount • 8/4/22
Jackie Frances Calkins • 9/22/2022
Bryden M. Dow • 9/28/22
Tracy R. Smith • 9/29/22
Jeff Cruikshank • 10/4/22
Omar Bustamante • 10/5/22
Ricdriquez Wilson • 10/16/22
Diane Kay Render • 10/21/22

One: Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of the Saints.

**All: One generation shall praise God's work to another,
and shall declare God's mighty acts.**

**O God, who has brought us together
in one communion and fellowship
in the Body of Christ, grant us grace
so to follow your Saints in courageous living
that we may come to those joys
prepared for those who live and die in your love;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

CHORAL RESPONSE In Remembrance • *Eleanor Daley (b. 1955)*
Text by Mary Elizabeth Frye (1905–2004)

Do not stand at my grave and weep,
I am not there; I do not sleep.
I am a thousand winds that blow,
I am the diamond glint on snow.
I am the sunlight on ripened grain,
I am the gentle morning rain.
And when you wake in the morning's hush,
I am the sweet uplifting rush
Of quiet birds in circled flight.
I am the soft stars that shine at night.
Do not stand at my grave and cry,
I am not there; I did not die.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today

- 9 am** **Little Lambs Nursery.** LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.
- 9:30 am** **Chapel Church.** Kirkland Chapel.
Sunday School & Youth Group. LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.
The Word Is Out LGBTQ Community Group. Conference Room.
- 11 am** **Worship.** Sanctuary.
- 11:15 am** **Children's Church.** Kirkland Chapel & Christian Education Center.
- 12:15 pm** **Tour the Church.** Meet at the rear of the Sanctuary.
- 7 pm** **Adult Education: The Sabbath Poetry of Wendell Berry.** Webinar. Go to fapc.org/adult-ed for details and registration.
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This Week

- Tue Nov 8** **Women's Association Bridge.** 1 pm • Bonnell Hall.
- Wed Nov 9** **Community Choir.** 6 pm • Jones Auditorium. All voices welcome!
FAYA Midweek. 6:30 pm • Corning Logan Room. Our weekly young adult gathering. Contact: Rev. Sarah Speed (youngadults@fapc.org).
- Thu Nov 10** **Faith-Health Symposium.** 8:30 am • Jones Auditorium. Free, one-day event focused on understanding and healing from alcohol-use and depressive disorders. Details and registration at fapc.org/perper.
Employment Support Group. 10 am • Zoom. Led by Kathy Murray and Win Sheffield. Go to fapc.org/employment-advisory for the link.
- Fri Nov 11** **Steel Magnolias: A Staged Reading.** 7 pm • Jones Auditorium. A free performance by the Theatre Fellowship, directed by Margo Martindale.
- Sat Nov 12** **Meals on Heels.** 8:30 am • Bonnell Hall. Volunteers prepare and deliver weekend meals to homebound seniors. New volunteers are welcome and needed! Contact: John Wyatt (moh@fapc.org).
Ancestral Voices: A Staged Reading. 7 pm • Jones Auditorium. A free performance by the Theatre Fellowship, directed by Kathy Henderson.

Coming Up

- Sun Nov 13** **Veterans Plaque Dedication.** 12:30 pm • Kirkland Chapel. A ceremony honoring 356 members of the Fifth Avenue community who served in World War I, World War II and the Korean War. All are invited.
Waiting in the Wings: A Staged Reading. 2 pm • Jones Auditorium. A free performance by the Theatre Fellowship, directed by Joscelyne Wilmouth.

Next Sunday • Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

“Water, Light and Leaves” • Revelation 21:1-8; 22:1-2

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, preaching.

Chapel Church: Trial Run Ends Next Sunday

The eight-week trial run of Chapel Church, our new 9:30 am service, finishes next Sunday (Nov. 13). If you still have not experienced this joy-filled service, make plans to attend next week. As we enter Advent, the Worship Council, pastors and staff will review the feedback we have received and consider the future of Chapel Church. To share your input, go to fapc.org/cc-survey.

Angel Tree Begins Today!

The Christmas Angel Tree Project, the popular holiday program sponsored by the Deacons, is underway. All month long, the Deacons will maintain an online gift registry where you can purchase holiday gifts that will be distributed to children and families in need. This year the project will provide for grandchildren permanently living under the care of a grandparent in the Grandparent Family Apartments, one of the residences managed by our mission partner the West Side Federation for Senior and Supportive Housing. Angel Tree will also provide for children temporarily living in city homeless shelters. Visit fapc.org/angel to learn how you can participate. Please purchase gifts no later than Nov. 25 to help ensure delivery to the church by Dec. 2.

Tonight: Sabbath Poetry of Wendell Berry

Wendell Berry is many things—novelist, poet, essayist, critic, farmer, environmental activist. Tonight, get to know a quieter side of Berry as expressed in his Sabbath poetry. Our instructor is Joelle Hathaway, assistant professor of theological studies at Bethany Theological Seminary in Richmond, Indiana. Her webinar begins at 7 pm. Go to fapc.org/adult-ed to register, or email Jaime Staehle, director of Christian education (adulted@fapc.org).

Starting Friday: A Weekend of Theater

“Laughter and Tears” is the theme for a full weekend of live theater in Jones Auditorium, presented by the Theatre Fellowship. Performances begin at 7 pm Friday (Nov. 11) with a staged reading of Robert Harling’s *Steel Magnolias*, directed by Margo Martindale. On Saturday (Nov. 12), also at 7 pm, Kathy Henderson directs A.R. Gurney’s family drama, *Ancestral Voices*. The weekend concludes next Sunday afternoon at 2 with Noël Coward’s comedy-drama *Waiting in the Wings*, directed by Joscelyne Wilmouth. Performances are free and open to all! Get full details at fapc.org/news.

Next Sunday: Veterans Plaque Dedication

All are invited next Sunday (Nov. 13) as the church installs and dedicates two plaques honoring 356 members of the Fifth Avenue community who served in World War I, World War II and the Korean War. Senior Pastor Scott Black Johnston and archivist Dale Hansen, who spearheaded the project, will lead the dedication, starting at 12:30 pm in Kirkland Chapel. More than 60 relatives of the honored veterans are expected to attend.

Now Online: Julie Chen Moonves and Min Jin Lee

If you couldn’t attend the conversation between television personality Julie Chen Moonves and best-selling novelist Min Jin Lee on Oct. 23, you missed something special. But here’s the good news: We recorded the event, and you can watch it on our YouTube channel. Go to youtube.com/fapcinnyc, and check out our Adult Education playlist.

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. We offer classes in person, online and via podcast. 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.

Community Groups

After two years of lockdown, our community group ministry is back, with many of our longstanding groups returning and a number of new groups just getting started. Groups meet in person and online, joining members locally and from other parts of the country. The diversity of our community groups ensures that you will find the spot that's right for you. Learn more at fapc.org/community-groups, or contact Ashley Gonzalez, director of engagement (212.247.0490 ext 3005, membership@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 visit fapc.org/care to submit a prayer request and learn more about our Congregational Care program. Or contact Kristia Tolode (212.247.0490 ext 3007, congregationalcare@fapc.org).

Family Ministries

Family Ministries brings together families from diverse backgrounds to nurture healthy children and strong, faithful families. Our Little Lambs Nursery for infants and toddlers is available every Sunday from 9 am until 12:30 pm. Sunday School and Youth Group take place at 9:30 am during the program year (September through May). Children depart the 11 am worship service to attend Children's Church every Sunday. We also sponsor special events for families and kids throughout the year. Learn more (and register your child) at fapc.org/family. Contact: Jaime Staehle (212.247.0490 ext 3003, familyministries@fapc.org).

FAYA | Fifth Avenue Young Adults

FAYA is an open and affirming community for those in their 20s and 30s, led by the Rev. Sarah Speed. During the program year, we meet every Wednesday night for small groups, supper, Bible study and fellowship. Find out more about our weekly gatherings, monthly fellowship events and weekend retreats at fapc.org/faya or on Instagram [@fapcfaya](https://www.instagram.com/fapcfaya). Or contact Sarah (212.247.0490 ext 4037, youngadults@fapc.org). We'd love to get to know you!

Membership

When we say "All are welcome," we mean it. Whether you live in the neighborhood, or across the country, we welcome you to join our family of faith. 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 might be your spiritual home, we'd love to have you in an upcoming in-person or online class. Visit fapc.org/membership to register, or contact Ashley Gonzalez, director of engagement (212.247.0490 ext 3005, membership@fapc.org).

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 to learn more. The Arts & Our Faith Committee sponsors exhibitions of art, history and photography in the Chesnut Gallery, often featuring work by members of the congregation. Theatre Fellowship is a community of artists and artisans that promotes congregational fellowship through our shared love of the theater. Theatre Fellowship offers staged readings for the community and other events throughout the year.

Outreach Ministries

Through our Outreach Ministries, hundreds of members and friends of the church are engaged in volunteering, advocacy and service. Our programs include our Befriending Ministry on behalf of our neighbors experiencing homelessness; the David B. Skinner Shelter, a 12-bed men's shelter (currently closed due to Covid concerns); the Ecumenical Outreach Partnership, a collaborative ministry with Saint Thomas Church and St. Patrick's Cathedral that serves the homeless population of Midtown; A Place at the Table, a twice-weekly sidewalk lunch for our homeless and hungry neighbors; and Meals on Heels, Saturday-morning meal preparation and delivery to homebound seniors. We also maintain mission partner relationships with local, national and international organizations. Our current mission partners are:

Church of Gethsemane	Parity
The Farminary Project	Search and Care
Hands Along the Nile Development Services	Urban Outreach Center NYC
Holmes Camp and Retreat Center	WANA Community Resource Center
Ministry of Hope Lesotho	West Side Federation for Senior and Supportive Housing
Mission co-workers in Madagascar, the Philippines & the U.S.–Mexico border	Womankind

To learn more, visit fapc.org/outreach, or contact Christine Boyle, director of outreach and missions (212.247.0490 ext 3006, 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, and how you can join in, visit fapc.org/volunteer.

Women's Association

The roots of the Women's Association date to 1810, shortly after the church was founded. Today we offer a year-round program of education, service, prayer and benevolence. The Women's Association Holiday Bazaar in early November supports the ministries of the church and other benevolences. We also host a Christmas Tea for the congregation each December. We welcome you to take part! Contact: Rita Arlen (212.247.0490 ext 3041, wassoc@fapc.org).

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The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston *Senior Pastor*

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Fund the altar flowers

Kristia Tolode

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Join the church

Rev. Sarah A. Speed

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Make a donation

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Plan your wedding

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Prepare for baptism

Jaime Staehle

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Add a name to the prayer list • Kristia Tolode, congregationalcare@fapc.org

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

Notify us of a death or illness • Kristia Tolode, congregationalcare@fapc.org

Request a bulletin announcement • Tim Palmer Curl, fapc@fapc.org

Update contact information in our database • update@fapc.org

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Please contact Timothy Palmer Curl (fapc@fapc.org) if you have questions or concerns.

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