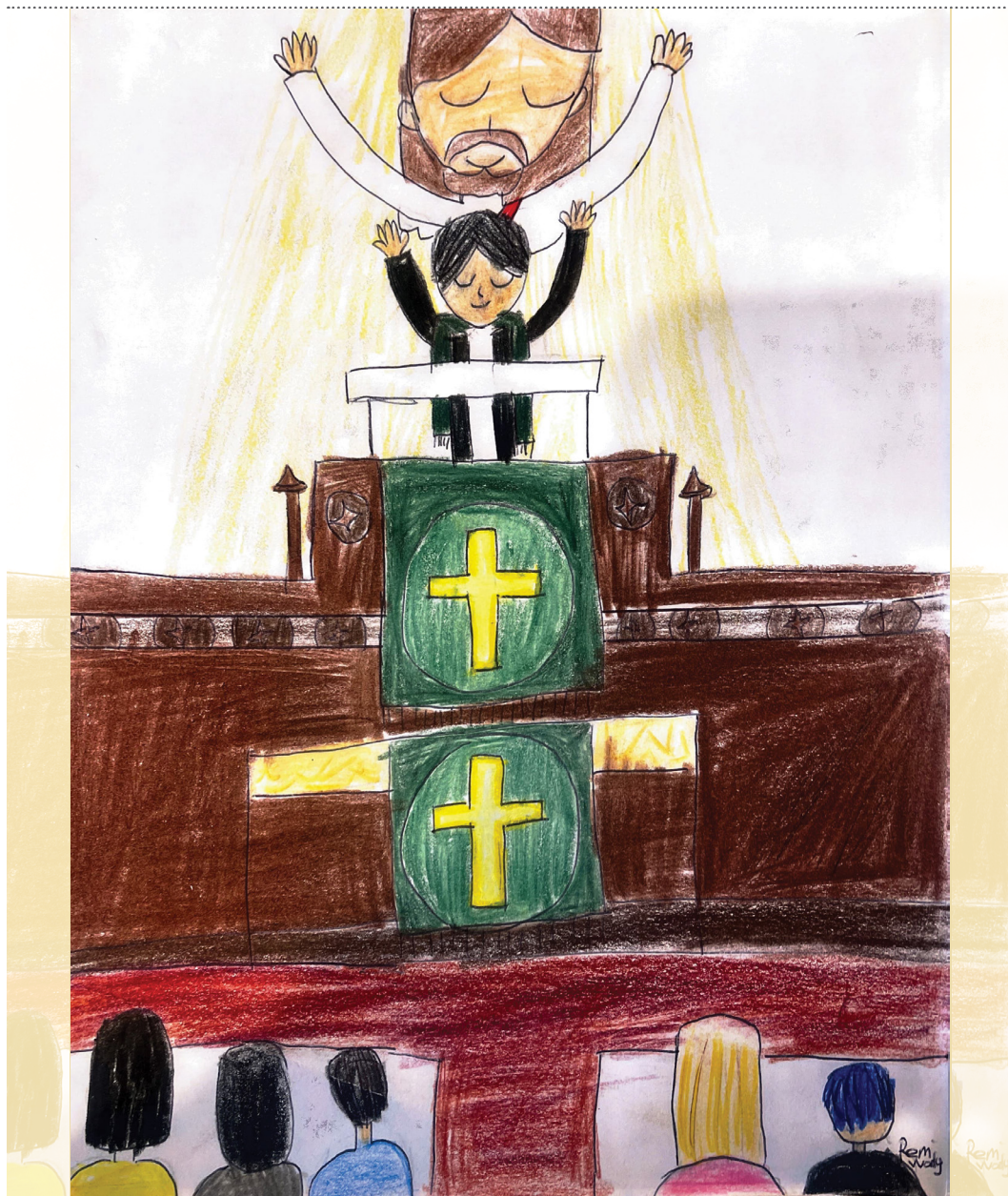


Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 29, 2023 • 11:00 AM



Remi Wong, *God is with Us*, 2023

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 or hymnal to follow the service.

➔ Families with Children

Children are always welcome! You will find children’s Bibles in the first 10 rows of pews on the far north side of the Sanctuary (to the right when looking down the aisle). Ushers can also provide children’s bulletins and worship bags. If you need to leave the service with your child, the ushers can direct you to the nearest changing table and livestream monitor. Every Sunday, we provide childcare for infants and toddlers from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm in the LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center. There is Sunday school for children in preschool through 5th grade at 9:30 am and Children’s Church for children in preschool through 2nd grade at 11:15 am.

➔ 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.)

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

Gospel Prelude on “Jesus Loves Me” • William Bolcom (b. 1938)

Meditation on “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”
James Biery (b. 1956)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Trustee Mark Snyder

from Psalm 90

One: Eternal God, you are our dwelling place

**All: From generation to generation,
before the mountains were brought forth,
or you gave birth to the earth,
from everlasting to everlasting;
you are God.**

One: In the morning,
you make us flourish like new grass
that renews in the dawn.

**All: We are refreshed by your mercy, O Lord,
as we come before you to worship and praise.**

* HYMN 487

These Treasured Children

* CALL TO CONFESSION

The Rev. Sarah A. Speed

* 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

* SONG RESPONSE

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

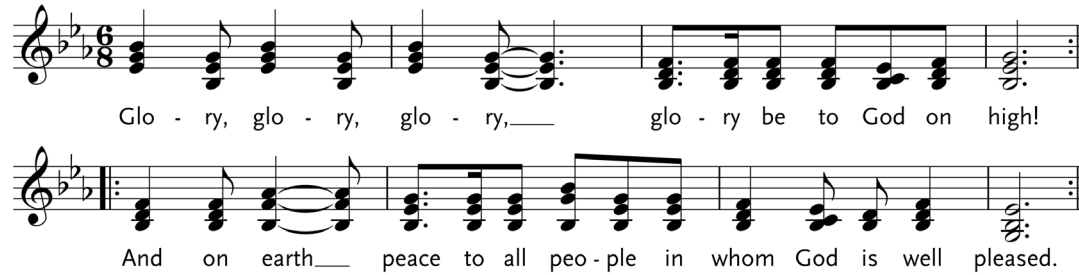


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*Please rise in body or in spirit.

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* RESPONSE OF PRAISE



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* PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

LITANY OF PARTING

All: May God be with you there.
Children: May God be with you here.

*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.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR COMMITMENT *Trustee Joanna McNurlen*

ANTHEM
*The Fifth Avenue
Community Choir*

Let Them Come • *Valerie MacKenzie*
The crowd surrounded the Savior,
And Jesus's teachings stirred both young and old.
The children laughed and played,
But disciples barred their way.
Then Jesus smiled in welcome as he said,
Refrain
"Let them come, for they are my children.
Let the come, for each of them is loved.
Let them come, they need to know the kingdom of God.
Don't hinder them, let them come."
Some came with hope of a miracle;
The blind, the lame, the outcast, the unclean.
So many with demands, too much for just one man,
Yet with mercy and compassion, Jesus said,
Refrain
And we today still long to know the Savior,
Aware that doubt and sin have marred our lives.
The cross that Jesus bore means new life forevermore.
We need not fear tomorrow, we believe that Jesus says:

"You can come, for you are my children.
You can come, for each of you is loved.
You can come, you need to know the kingdom of God.
Come and share in heaven's glory, I've prepared a place for you,
So that when your journey's ended you can come."
And Jesus says, "You can come."

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 8:1-4

O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because of your foes, to silence the enemy and the avenger. When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?

Matthew 18:1-5

At that time the disciples came to Jesus and asked, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" He called a child, whom he put among them, and said, "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever becomes humble like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me."

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

SERMON

The Rev. Werner Ramirez

"Out of the Mouths of Babes"

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Belonging to God: A First Catechism,
Presbyterian Church (USA), 1998*

One: Who are you?
All: I am a child of God.
One: What does it mean to be a child of God?
All: That I belong to God, who loves me.

* HYMN 377

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Rev. Dr. Jonah So

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

O Be Joyful in the Lord • *John Rutter (b. 1945)*
Text: Psalm 100
O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands:
Serve the Lord with gladness,
And come before his presence with a song.
Be ye sure that the Lord he is God:
It is he that hath made us,
And not we ourselves;
We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving,
And into his courts with praise.
Be thankful unto him, and speak good of his name.
For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting:
And his truth endureth from generation to generation.
O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands.
Glory be to the Father;
Glory be to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
World without end, Amen.

* 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

Jesus Loves Me!

1 Je - sus loves me! This I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so.
2 Je - sus loves me! This I know, as he loved so long a - go,
3 Je - sus loves me still to - day, walk - ing with me on my way,

Lit - tle ones to him be - long. They are weak, but he is strong.
tak - ing chil - dren on his knee, say - ing, "Let them come to me."
want - ing as a friend to give light and love to all who live.

Refrain
Yes, Je - sus loves me! Yes, Je - sus loves me!

Yes, Je - sus loves me! The Bi - ble tells me so.

Music: William Batchelder Bradbury, 1862 – JESUS LOVES ME. Words: Anna Bartlett Warner, 1859; David Rutherford McGuire, 1971.

* BENEDICTION

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

* CHORAL RESPONSE

May God Who Creates You • *Louise Skibsted*

May God who creates you give you light;
May God who sustains you make you wise;
May God who protects you give you joy;
May God who surrounds you give you peace.

POSTLUDE

Festive Trumpet Tune • *David German (b. 1954)*

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

This morning's Offertory Anthem, John Rutter's *O Be Joyful in the Lord*, is a jubilant and exultant song of praise that exemplifies Rutter's characteristic gift for memorable melodies and rhythmic vitality. Written for choir and organ, the piece is a setting of Psalm 100. Rutter's music beautifully captures the text's themes of joy and thanksgiving through a lively tempo, playful vocal textures, and an intricate organ accompaniment.

The Prelude is William Bolcom's *Gospel Prelude on "Jesus Loves Me,"* which offers a unique perspective on the classic hymn. Infusing the familiar tune with elements of blues, jazz, and gospel music, Bolcom's innovative approach reimagines *Jesus Loves Me* through the lens of American popular music traditions. Bolcom wrote twelve of these *Gospel Preludes*, each on a familiar hymn tune, all of which contain a very wide range of musical expression—from the beautifully sublime, to the surprising, and downright gritty!

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, Pat Backus, Algernon John Baptiste, Neta Beberino, Helen Betzaia, Becky Bjornstad Benjamin Bradley, Britta Cabanos, Pastor Toribio Cajiuat, Ella Calderon, Denise Campbell 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, Sohn Fong, Janet Gibbs, Wanda Roush Hannan, Christopher Henderson Donna Marie Henderson, Maggie Hendrix, Juliet Kaldanie, Frederick Loomis, Louis Sterling King Ceciwa Khonje, Janet Lamberth, Richard J. Lawson, Mary Lowry, Lauren Ma, Keiko Matsuzaki The McCall Family, Frank Owarish, Dexter Ramcharan, Don Rogers, Pauline Sample Robert Scheuer, Tshombe Selby, Taylor Shultz, Spencer Robert Smith, Willie Gerald Smith Frieda Sompotan, Neva Strom, Rocco Tannehill, Harold Tither, Susan Tobiason, Caroline Todd Henny Waisapy, Bill Wanek, Warren White, Suzanne Wilks, Sylvia Winrich, Deborah Wurgler Doris Wurgler, Wayne Zhou

Faithful Departed:

October 11, 2023: Mary Margaret Hendrix—beloved aunt of John Hendrix and beloved great-aunt of William and Noelle Hendrix.

October 21, 2023: Jon Haines Barrett, beloved brother of Gail Crane and brother-in-law of John Crane. Beloved husband of Lynn Miller Barrett, beloved father of Heather, Liz, Megan, and the late Bruce.

If you would like to add a name to the church prayer list or the list of faithful departed, please contact Natalie Wardius (congregationalcare@fapc.org, 212.247.0490).

CALENDAR

Today

- 9:30 am** **Little Lambs Nursery.** LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.
- 9:30 am** **Chapel Church.** Kirkland Chapel.
- 11 am** **Worship. Sanctuary and livestream.** The Rev. Werner Ramirez, preaching.
- 12 pm** **Coffee Hour.** Bonnell Hall and online.
- 7 pm** **The Desert Mothers: Spiritual Practices from the Women in the Wilderness.** Zoom.

This Week

- Tue Oct 31** **Staff-led Bible Study.** 12 pm. For more information, please contact Christine Boyle (bible-study@fapc.org).
- Wed Nov 1** **Zoom Women's Bible Study.** 8 am. For more information, please contact Jaime Staehle (adulted@fapc.org).
- Community Choir Rehearsal.** 6 pm • Jones Auditorium. All are welcome.
- FAYA Midweeks.** 6:30 pm • The Living Room. The Fifth Avenue Young Adults weekly meeting. Please contact the Rev. Sarah A. Speed (youngadults@fapc.org).
- Volunteers needed for the Holiday Bazaar.** We will set up in the LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center from 10 am onwards. All volunteers welcome!
- Thu Nov 2** **Career Directions.** 10 am • Zoom. A weekly online gathering for job seekers or anyone looking for career guidance. Contact Ashley Gonzalez-Grissom (membership@fapc.org) for the link.
- Women's Association Holiday Bazaar.** 10 am – 5 pm • LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.
- Fri Nov 3** **Women's Association Holiday Bazaar.** 10 am – 4 pm • LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.
- Sat Nov 4** **Meals on Heels.** 8:30 am. Bonnell Hall. Volunteers prepare and deliver meals to homebound neighbors. New volunteers are welcome and needed! Contact: John Wyatt (moh@fapc.org).
- Coming Up
- Sun Nov 12** **But First, God: A Conversation with Julie Chen Moonves.** 12:30 pm • Bonnell Hall and on livestream. Noted television personality and friend of Fifth Avenue, Julie Chen Moonves, shares lessons from her spiritual awakening.

Next Sunday • All Saints Sunday

“Two by Two” • Mark 6:6b-9

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, preaching.

NEWS & EVENTS

Deacons Thank You

Your generosity enabled the church to contribute 25 cartons (over 500 lbs) of food to our mission partner, the Urban Outreach Center, in October!

Welcome to the World

Rowan Eric Szabo, child of Lindsey and Elias Szabo, born October 13, 2023.

Tonight at 7 pm, Webinar

The Desert Mothers: Spiritual Practices from the Women in the Wilderness

At the dawn of Christianity, holy women went into the wilderness of Northern Egypt to give themselves totally to lives of prayer. The Rev. Mary C. Earle, an Episcopal priest, writer, and spiritual director, introduces us to the unique spirituality of the Desert Mothers. Rev. Earle will help us learn ways to apply their ancient wisdom to our own lives. For more information or to register for this Zoom webinar, please contact Jaime Staehle (adulted@fapc.org).

Tuesday, October 31: Online Bible Study

This is the perfect opportunity for you to strengthen your relationship with Scripture and deepen your faith. Throughout the year, Fifth Avenue's senior staff will guide you through some of the Bible's most thought-provoking passages. Participants will learn how these sacred words can help us navigate our modern dilemmas. This week, Christine Boyle, Director of Outreach and Missions, concludes her exploration of how the Bible depicts human migration. In two weeks, on Tuesday, November 7, join the Rev. Sarah A. Speed as she examines both famous and lesser-known stories of biblical women. This series meets every Tuesday at 12 pm on Zoom. For more information, please reach out to Christine Boyle (bible-study@fapc.org). To register, visit fapc.org/bible-study.

Women's Association Holiday Bazaar:

Thursday, November 2 • 10 am – 5 pm and Friday, November 3 • 10 am – 4 pm

The Women's Association hosts its two-day mega-sale, with bargains in women's and men's apparel, accessories, jewelry, collectibles, art, photography, and much more! Don't miss the gourmet table while you are here. All proceeds support the ministries of Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church. We are also looking for volunteers to help set up, clean up, and break down. This is a fun way to help the church prepare for the holiday season. If you can lend a hand, please volunteer at fapc.org/bazaar-volunteer or email womensministry@fapc.org.

Sunday, November 12: But First, God: A Conversation with Julie Chen Moonves

Julie Chen Moonves, a faithful member of Fifth Avenue, will soon release *But First, God: An Audio Memoir of Spiritual Discovery*. In it, she shares her transformative spiritual awakening, revisiting pivotal moments from her life and career through fresh eyes. Julie Chen Moonves is the longtime host of both “Big Brother” on CBS and her YouTube channel, GOD 101. Today at 12:30 pm, following worship, she sits down in Bonnell Hall with Senior Pastor Scott Black Johnston to talk about her memoir and her personal encounters with the divine. This event will be available on livestream and playback on demand. For more information, please contact Jaime Staehle (adulted@fapc.org).

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. All classes are free and open to all. Information on upcoming classes is available at fapc.org/adult-ed.

Community Groups

Want stronger relationships? Community groups make that possible. We have over 20 community groups to help you form closer bonds within the Fifth Avenue family. Options available online and in-person. Learn more at fapc.org/community-groups, or contact Ashley Gonzalez-Grissom, director of engagement (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.

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 9:30 am to 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 (except for our summer break, from June 25 until Homecoming). 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 (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-Grissom, 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 anyone who loves to sing. 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.

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 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
Garden of Hope	Urban Outreach Center NYC
Hands Along the Nile Development Services	West Side Federation for Senior and Supportive Housing
Holmes Camp and Retreat Center	
Ministry of Hope Lesotho	
Mission co-workers in	
Madagascar, the Philippines	
& the U.S.–Mexico border	

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: The Rev. Sarah A. Speed (womensministry@fapc.org).

OFFICERS BY CLASS

The Session

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, *Moderator* • The Rev. Dr. Jonah So, *Executive Pastor*
The Rev. Werner Ramirez, *Associate Pastor* • The Rev. Sarah Speed, *Associate Pastor*
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CLERGY & STAFF



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



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Fund the altar flowers

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congregationalcare@fapc.org



Join the church

Ashley Gonzalez-Grissom
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Make a donation

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Donna Ketchledge
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Prepare for baptism

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Add a name to the prayer list • Natalie Wardius, congregationalcare@fapc.org

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

Notify us of a death or illness • Natalie Wardius, congregationalcare@fapc.org

Request a bulletin announcement • Sean McAvoy, fapc@fapc.org

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

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Please contact Sean McAvoy (fapc@fapc.org) if you have questions or concerns.

If you prefer to sit outside of camera range during the service, please speak with an usher.

Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church

Abiding Light

The 2024 Pledge Campaign

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