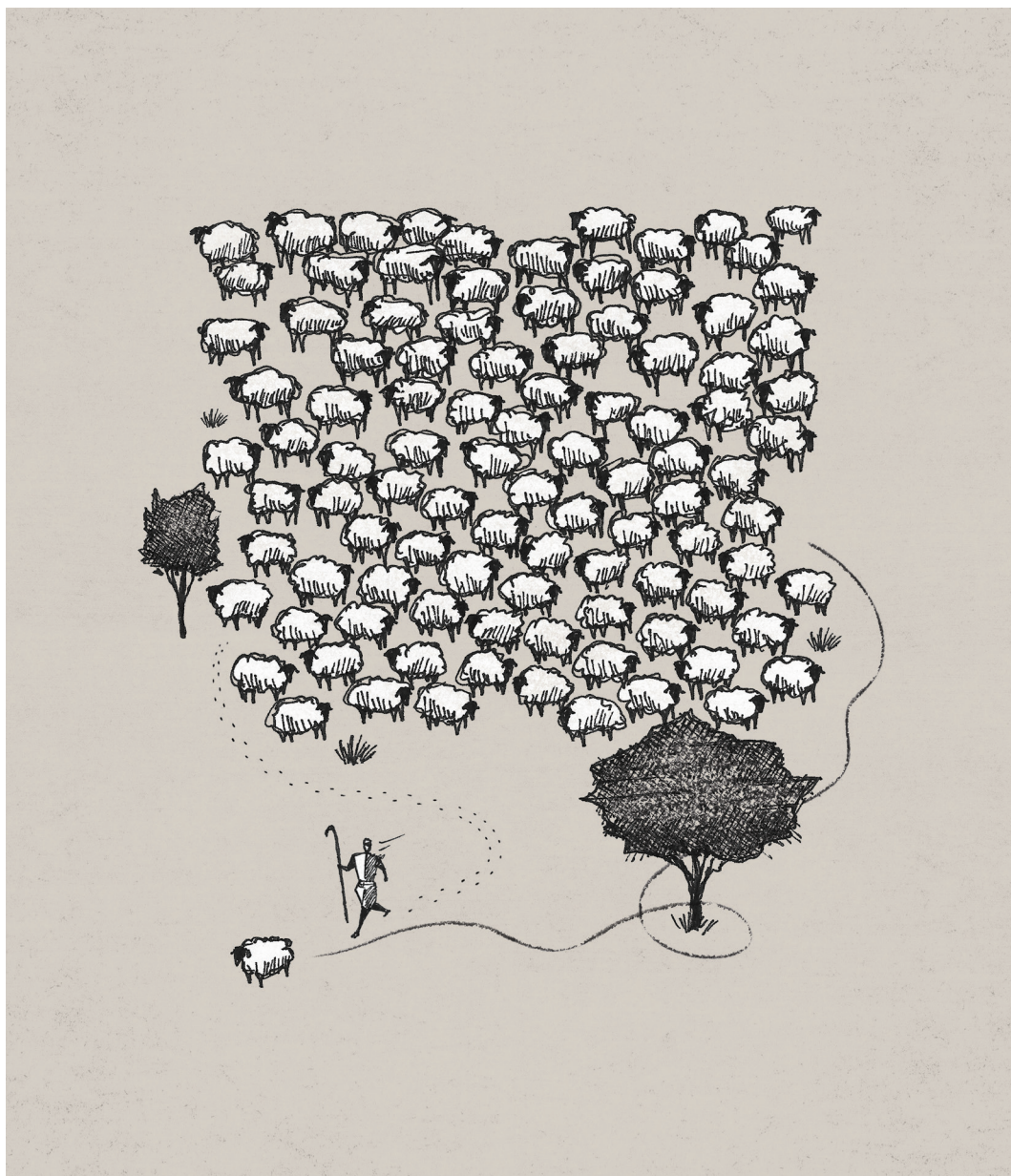




Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 26, 2023 • 11:00 AM



Micah Martin, *Jesus Leaves the 99*, 2022

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

Adagio in E major • Frank Bridge (1879–1941)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Deacon Beverly Elmyra Johnson

One: In a world full of noise,
All: we trust that God is speaking.
One: In a world full of chaos,
All: we trust that God is singing.
One: In a world where we get lost,
All: we trust that God is seeking.
One: Church, welcome home.
Our Shepherding God meets us here.
All: Let us worship! Let us sing!

* HYMN 268

Crown Him with Many Crowns

* CALL TO CONFESSION

The Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike

* 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.)

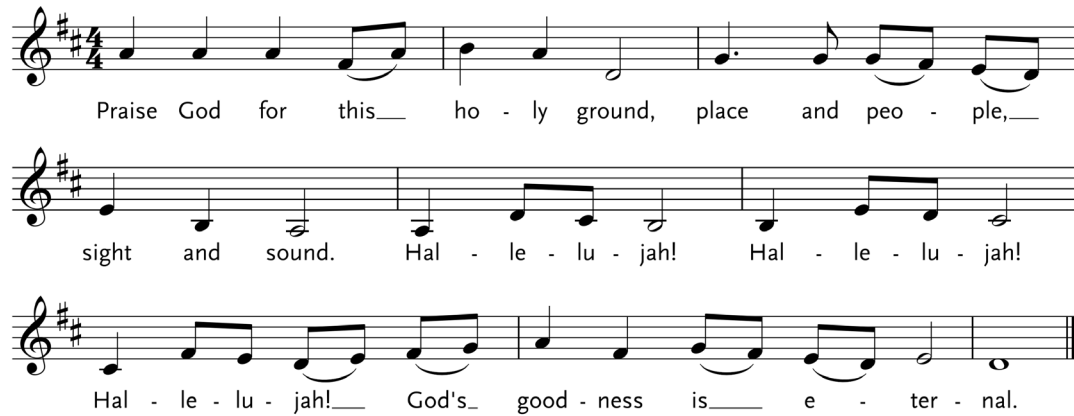


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* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**Please rise in body or in spirit.*

* 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

ANTHEM

The Road Home • Stephen Paulus (1949–2014)
Text by Michael Dennis Brown (b. 1940)

Tell me where is the road I can call my own,
That I left, that I lost, so long ago?
All these years I have wandered,
Oh when will I know there's a way,
There's a road that will lead me home?

After wind, after rain, when the dark is done,
As I wake from a dream in the gold of day,
Through the air there's a calling from far away,
There's a voice I can hear that will lead me home.

Rise up, follow me, come away is the call,
With love in your heart as the only song;
There is no such beauty as where you belong,
Rise up, follow me, I will lead you home.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ezekiel 34:11-16

For thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

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

SERMON

The Rev. Sarah A. Speed

“A God Who Seeks”

* PRAYER FOR THE DAY

Shepherding God,
We have spent all fall looking for you,
So today we pray—
do not let our seeking stop here.
Give us the heart
to seek out the hungry and weary,
to seek out the good in every person,
to seek glimpses of hope and moments of beauty.
And as we seek,
and as we wonder,
may we remember
that like a shepherd with her sheep,
you are always seeking us.
Thanks be to God,
Amen.

* HYMN 436

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Rev. Dr. Jonah So

THE LORD'S PRAYER

God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us

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

Te Deum (Collegium Regale) • Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

We praise thee, O God,
We acknowledge thee to be the Lord.
All the earth doth worship thee: the Father everlasting.
To thee all angels cry aloud:
The Heavens, and all the powers therein.
To thee Cherubin and Seraphin continually do cry,
Holy, Holy, Holy: Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty of thy glory.
The glorious company of the Apostles praise thee.
The goodly fellowship of the Prophets praise thee.
The noble army of Martyrs praise thee.
The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee;
The Father of an infinite Majesty;
Thine honorable, true, and only Son;
Also the Holy Ghost: the Comforter.
Thou art the King of Glory: O Christ.
Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.
When thou took'st upon thee to deliver man:
Thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.
When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death:
Thou didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers.
Thou sittest at the right hand of God in the Glory of the Father.
We believe that thou shalt come to be our Judge.
We therefore pray thee, help thy servants:
Whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.
Make them to be numbered with thy Saints: in glory everlasting.
O Lord, save thy people: and bless thine heritage.
Govern them: and lift them up forever.
Day by day we magnify thee;
And we worship thy Name ever world without end.
Vouchsafe, O Lord: to keep us this day without sin.
O Lord, have mercy upon us.
O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us: as our trust is in thee.
O Lord, in thee have I trusted:
Let me never be confounded.

* 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 363

Rejoice, the Lord Is King!

* BENEDICTION

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

* CHORAL RESPONSE

God Be with You Till We Meet Again
Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)
Text by Jeremiah Eames Rankin (1828–1904)

God be with you till we meet again;
Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
With a shepherd's care enfold you:
God be with you till we meet again.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation on the “*Te Deum*”
Charles Tournemire (1870–1939)
Trans. Maurice Duruflé (1901–1986)

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*

The Paschal Candle

Christ the King Sunday marks the end of the liturgical season that follows Pentecost. Today we focus on the victory of the crucified and risen Christ. We look back to Easter and forward to the coming of Christ.

On Easter Sunday, we lit the Paschal Candle to represent the new light of the resurrection, which banishes the death and darkness of Good Friday. Today we will remove the Paschal Candle from the Sanctuary.

With this act, we recognize that we remain imperfect people in an imperfect world. We acknowledge that God's work is not yet done. And we prepare for the season of Advent, during which we will wait once again for the coming of Christ.

WORSHIP NOTES

The Anthem was composed in 2002 by the American composer Stephen Paulus. Over the course of his life, Paulus composed 150 works for chorus, ranging from his moving Holocaust oratorio, *To Be Certain of the Dawn*, to the poignant anthem, *Pilgrims' Hymn*, sung at the funerals of Presidents Reagan and Ford. Paulus's works have received thousands of performances and recordings all over the world. The melody for *The Road Home* is derived from *The Lone Wild Bird*, an adaptation of the early nineteenth-century American folksong *Prospect*. Paulus found several texts inspired by this tune, but none of them seemed quite right for the slightly melancholy air of the melody. He turned to his longtime collaborator, poet Michael Dennis Browne, and commissioned a new text, which resulted in *The Road Home*. With the old tune married to new words, Paulus then made the piece his own with innovative harmonies and his signature, rich choral textures. Stephen Paulus passed away in October 2014 at the age of 65.

Today's Offertory Anthem is sung in observance of Christ the King Sunday, the final Sunday in the church calendar prior to Advent. The text of the *Te Deum* dates back to the fourth century, and is one of the earliest hymns of the Western church. An effusive hymn of praise, love, and devotion to God, the *Te Deum* has been sung throughout history on the occasion of church festivals, feast days, and other celebrations. The text of the hymn follows the outline of the Apostles' Creed, mixing a poetic vision of the heavenly liturgy with its declaration of faith. It has been set to music countless times. Herbert Howells's stunning setting from 1944 is one of the most famous and popular of the twentieth century. The *Te Deum* was composed as the first in a set of two morning canticles (along with a setting of the *Jubilate Deo*) that Howells wrote for the choir of King's College, Cambridge. This collaboration turned out to be remarkably fruitful: in addition to the morning canticles, Howells also composed a set of evening canticles (*Magnificat* and *Nunc dimittis*) for the King's College choir, and a setting of the complete Anglican communion liturgy. Howells's evocative and distinctive compositional voice is at the very height of its maturity in these pieces. Their composition arguably redefined the aesthetics of church music going forward.

Although not sung, the organ postlude is also a setting of the *Te Deum*. The piece was originally improvised by the great French organist Charles Tournemire for a recording he made in 1930. It is based on the traditional Gregorian melody. In 1958, Tournemire's student Maurice Duruflé undertook the painstaking task of transcribing these improvisations from the recording. Needless to say, this job would have taken countless hours, but Duruflé's devotion and effort ultimately resulted in several very exciting and innovative additions to the organ repertoire.

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, Irene P. Gilman, 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, 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, Henny Waisapy, Bill Wanek, Warren White, Suzanne Wilks, Sylvia Winrich Deborah Wurgler, Doris Wurgler, Wayne Zhou

Faithful Departed:

November 9, 2023: Richard M. Soley—beloved uncle of Elias Szabo, uncle-in-law of Lindsey Szabo, and great uncle of Rowan Szabo.

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.
Chapel Church. Kirkland Chapel.
- 11 am** **Worship.** Sanctuary and livestream. The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, preaching.
- 11:15 am** **Children's Church.** Kirkland Chapel & Christian Education Center.
- 12 pm** **Coffee Hour.** Bonnell Hall and online.
Tour the Church. Meet at the rear of the Sanctuary following worship.

This Week

- Tue Nov 28** **Staff-led Bible study continues.** 12 pm. For more information, please contact the Rev. Sarah A. Speed (bible-study@fapc.org).
- Wed Nov 29** **Zoom Women's Bible Study.** 8 am. For more information, please contact Jaime Staehle (adulthood@fapc.org).
Community Choir. 6 pm • Jones Auditorium. All voices are welcome!
Asian-American Bible Study. 6:30 pm • 6th Floor Conference Room and Zoom.
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).
- Thu Nov 30** **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 Ministry Dream Night. 6:30 pm • Bonnell Hall. Join Rev. Sarah A. Speed as we dream about the future of women's ministry at Fifth Avenue!
- Sat Dec 2** **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 Dec 3** **Advent Festival.** 9:30 am • LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center. Join the families of Fifth Avenue as we prepare for the holy season.
Christmas Angel Tree. This year the Christmas Angel Tree Project will provide gifts for children and youth connected with mission partner Garden of Hope for children temporarily living in city homeless shelters.
The Joe Vedella Holiday Dinner. 2 pm • Bonnell Hall. Our annual holiday feast with our homeless neighbors.

Next Sunday • First Sunday of Advent

"Christmas at Malachi's House" • Malachi 3:1-4
The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, preaching.

NEWS & EVENTS

Thursday, November 30: Women's Ministry Dream Night

Calling all the women of the church for a special night of dreaming together about the future of women's ministry at Fifth Avenue! Join Rev. Sarah A. Speed for conversation, brainstorming and snacks at 6:30 pm in Bonnell Hall. To join us, email womensministry@fapc.org or register at fapc.org/events.

Final Week for the Deacons Angel Tree

The Christmas Angel Tree Project, sponsored by the Deacons, returns for another season of gift-giving for children in need. Go to fapc.org/angel for details and a link to an online gift registry, where you can purchase presents for children living in city shelters or other challenging circumstances. Please purchase your gift(s) by the end of the day today to help ensure delivery to the church by December 1. You can also bring your gifts on Sunday, December 3.

Fifth Avenue Caroling

On Sunday, December 3, Fifth Avenue's own Chapel Church Band serenades our neighbors and passerby with Christmas music. On Sunday, December 10 & 17, the Community Choir and congregation will lead caroling from our Fifth Avenue steps for the holiday throngs. Join us!

Sunday, December 3: The Joe Vedella Holiday Dinner

Be the face of Christian hospitality as Fifth Avenue hosts members of the homeless community at the annual Joe Vedella Christmas Dinner. Guests dine in Bonnell Hall, complete with table service at this three-course, fine-dining experience. Volunteers are needed to welcome guests, check in their belongings, escort them to their tables, serve as table captains, prepare and distribute the meal, and so much more! This is an annual highlight for our guests and Outreach volunteers. You can volunteer online or by emailing Christine Boyle (outreach@fapc.org).

Sunday, December 3: Nativity Art at the Met

This Advent we'll explore the Metropolitan Museum of Art in our search for wonder and transcendent awe of the divine. Artists have been depicting Christ's birth for millennia. During this adventure, a guide will introduce us to some of the Nativity art in the Western Hemisphere's largest art museum, right up the street. The cost is \$35 per person, which includes your ticket. You must register by tomorrow to participate. You can register online or email Jaime Staehle (adulthood@fapc.org).

Sunday, December 3: Family Ministries Advent Festival

Families with children are invited to prepare for the Advent season in the LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center. We will enjoy breakfast together, create crafts, decorate trees, and sing some favorite carols. For more information, please contact Jaime Staehle (familyministries@fapc.org).

Friday, December 8 & Saturday, December 9: Carols by Candlelight: The Advent Concert

Step away from the bustle of Christmas preparations for an hour of choral music and congregational carols in the candlelit beauty of Kirkland Chapel. Broadway star and beloved member of the Fifth Avenue Family Jeanne Lehman will read seasonal poetry. The Chamber Choir will perform a selection of familiar music and new treasures that illuminate the wonder and majesty of Jesus's birth. You can purchase your tickets online at fapc.org/events.

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. 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).

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