



Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 10, 2023 • 11:00 AM



Henk Wildschut, *Rooted*, 2019

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

Sonata no. 3 in A major: *Andante tranquillo*
Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)

Fugue in F major, BWV 540 – J.S. Bach (1685–1750)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Trustee Bob Henn



(Isaiah 35)

One: In the midst of the barren land,

All: flowers burst into bloom.

One: In the midst of the dry desert,

All: streams of water gush forth.

One: It is Advent.
Hope perfumes the air.
Peace is taking root.

**All: We are ready.
Our hearts long to see the glory of God!**

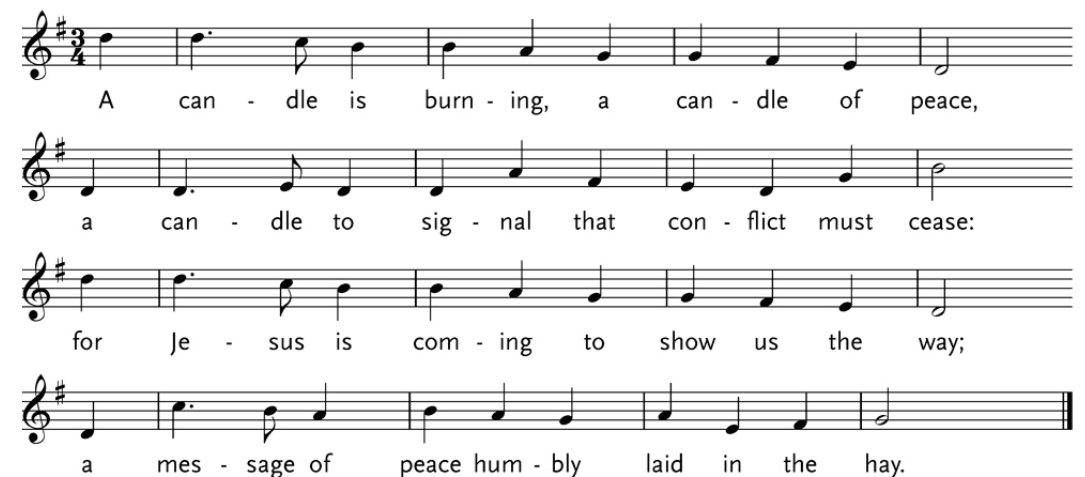
* HYMN 83

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

* LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Christopher Duffy, Min Jin Lee, and Sam Duffy

* SUNG RESPONSE



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* CALL TO CONFESSION

The Rev. Sarah A. Speed

**Please rise in body or in spirit.*

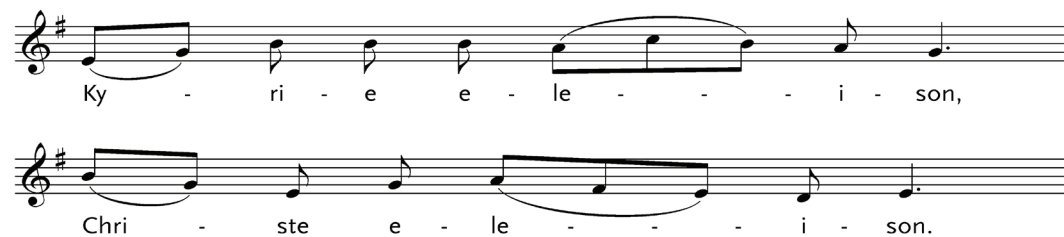
* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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

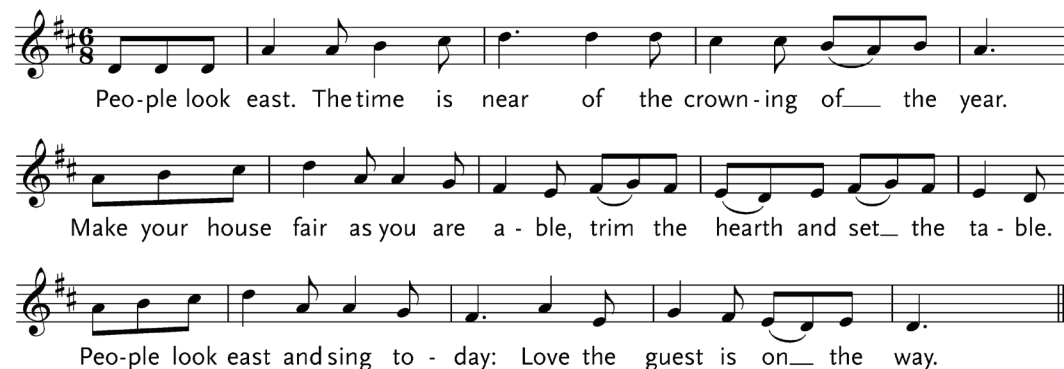
* SUNG RESPONSE

(Cantor sings once; then the congregation joins, singing once.)



* 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.

*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

The Rev. Dr. Jonah So

ANTHEM

O Radiant Dawn • *James MacMillan (b. 1959)*
Text from the Great 'O' Advent Antiphons (circa 6th century)

O Radiant Dawn,
Splendor of eternal Light,
Sun of Justice:
Come, shine on those who dwell in darkness
And the shadow of death.

Isaiah had prophesied,
'The people who walked in darkness
Have seen a great light;
Upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom
A light has shone.'

Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 42:1-4

Here is my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my spirit upon him;
he will bring forth justice to the nations.
He will not cry or lift up his voice,
or make it heard in the street;
a bruised reed he will not break,
and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;
he will faithfully bring forth justice.
He will not grow faint or be crushed
until he has established justice in the earth;
and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

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

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston

"Christmas at Isaiah's House"

* PRAYER FOR THE DAY



Gentle God,
signs of your goodness
sprout in the most unlikely places.
This Advent, we pray that you would
plant seeds of peace
in the deserts of our hearts.
Nurture our bruised hopes with the water of your grace,
and renew us with blossoms of your love.
Come, Holy Gardener; come.
We are ready!
Amen.

* HYMN 666	O Splendor of God's Glory Bright
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE <i>The Rev. Kate Dunn</i>	
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 Thou the Central Orb • <i>Charles Wood (1866–1926)</i> <i>Text by H.R. Bramley (1833–1917)</i> O thou the central orb of righteous love, Pure beam of the most High, Eternal Light of this our wintry world, Thy radiance bright awakes new joy in faith, Hope soars above, above. Come, quickly come, and let thy glory shine, Gilding our darksome heaven with rays Divine. Thy saints with holy lustre round thee move, As stars about thy throne, set in the height of God's ordaining counsel, As thy sight gives measured grace to each, Thy power to prove. Let thy bright beams disperse the gloom of sin, Our nature all shall feel eternal day, In fellowship with thee, Transforming day to souls erewhile unclean, Now pure within, pure within. 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 87	Comfort, Comfort Now My People



* BENEDICTION	<i>Please remain in your pew until the conclusion of the Choral Response.</i>
* CHORAL RESPONSE	Thou Shalt Know Him When He Comes • <i>Mark G. Sirett (b. 1952)</i> <i>Text: Anonymous</i> Thou shalt know him when he comes, Not by any din of drums, Nor his manners, nor his airs, Nor by anything he wears. Thou shalt know him when he comes, Not by his crown or by his gown, But his coming known shall be, By the holy harmony which his coming makes in thee. Thou shalt know him when he comes. Amen.
POSTLUDE	Sonata no. 3 in A major: <i>Con moto maestoso</i> <i>Felix Mendelssohn</i>

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

James MacMillan's *O Radiant Dawn* is a captivating choral work that resonates with a profound sense of hope and anticipation. Commissioned by St. John's College, Cambridge, for their Advent Carol Service in 2004, the composition draws inspiration from the rich tradition of the Great 'O' Antiphons. These are a set of seven liturgical antiphons whose roots can be traced all the way back to the 6th century. Traditionally sung during Vespers services from December 17th to December 23rd, these Antiphons are a venerable part of the Christian liturgical tradition. Each antiphon addresses the Messiah with a different title derived from the prophecies of Isaiah, expressing the hopes and longings of the people for the coming of the Christ. MacMillan's haunting music reflects the dual nature of Advent, balancing the solemnity of waiting with the joyful anticipation of Christ's arrival. MacMillan's use of soaring melodies and luminous harmonies captures the essence of the text, which celebrates the coming of Christ as the radiant dawn dispelling the darkness.

The Offertory Anthem is by Charles Wood, a great Victorian composer of Irish descent. In 1883, Wood was a student in the inaugural class of the newly instituted Royal College of Music in London. He studied composition with Charles Villiers Stanford and Charles Hubert Hastings Parry, widely considered to be the great-grandfathers of the modern English choral tradition. Wood went on to teach composition himself at the RCM as well as at Cambridge University, and he counted Ralph Vaughan Williams and Herbert Howells among his pupils. Although Wood served as the director of music at Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge, he spent much of his early career writing larger-scale works for stage and orchestra. It was not until later in life that Wood turned to the composition of church music. *O Thou the Central Orb* is a wonderful example of Wood's work in this style, featuring masterful choral writing above a stirring and expressive organ accompaniment. The final "Amen," following a brief organ interlude, is enormously powerful in its simplicity, a testament to Wood's outstanding sensitivity to text and musical form.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Flowers are given to The Glory of God and in loving memory of Mee Yung Wong Ng, beloved mother of Mary Ng.

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

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, Sunday School, and Youth Group. LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center. Chapel Church. Kirkland Chapel.
10:15 am	Children's Choir. LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.
11 am	Worship. Sanctuary.
11:15 am	Children's Church. Kirkland Chapel & Christian Education Center.
12 pm	Online Coffee Hour. Zoom. Tour the Church. Meet at the rear of the Sanctuary following worship.
12:15 pm	Coffee & Caroling. Front steps and the Narthex. Join the Fifth Avenue Family as they serenade passersby for Holiday Open Streets.
1 pm	Bagels & Bible. 7th Floor Conference Room. All those in their 40's are welcome!
7 pm	Unwrapping Joy: Unveiling the Stories and Significance of Beloved Christmas Carols. Webinar. Register at fapc.org/adult-ed .

This Week

Mon Dec 11	Shelter Family Holiday Party. 5:30 pm • LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center. Contact Christine Boyle to volunteer (outreach@fapc.org).
Tue Dec 12	Weekly Word Bible study. 12 pm. For more information, please contact Ashley Gonzalez-Grissom (bible-study@fapc.org).
Wed Dec 13	Zoom Women's Bible Study. 8 am. For more information, please contact Jaime Staehle (adulted@fapc.org). Blue Christmas Worship Service. 6:30 pm. Kirkland Chapel. 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 Dec 14	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.
Sat Dec 16	Meals on Heels. 8:30 am • Bonnell Hall. Volunteers prepare and deliver meals to homebound neighbors. Contact: John Wyatt (moh@fapc.org). Women's Christmas Tea. 2 pm • Bonnell Hall. For more information, please contact the Rev. Sarah A. Speed (womensministry@fapc.org). FAYA Christmas Party. 6:30 pm • The Living Room. For more information, please contact the Rev. Sarah A. Speed (youngadults@fapc.org).

Next Sunday • Third Sunday of Advent

Chapel Church, 9:30 am: "Christmas at Elizabeth's House" • Luke 1:5-24

The Rev. Dr. Jonah So, preaching.

Sanctuary, 11 am: Childrens Christmas Pageant

NEWS & EVENTS

TODAY

Fifth Avenue Caroling - Week 2

Join fellow members of the Fifth Avenue Family on our front steps after today's 11 am service. Enjoy hot cocoa and serenading our beloved city with a wonderful arrangement of holiday favorites. Grab a sheet of lyrics and join in the cheer!

Unwrapping Joy: Unveiling the Stories and Significance of Beloved Christmas Carols

Do you know the history behind our most beloved Christmas carols? In the holy time of Advent, join this Zoom webinar at 7 pm as we discover the background to some of our most oft-sung holiday tunes. You will find new meaning for the season! To register and receive the link, please email Jaime Staehle (adulted@fapc.org).

Monday, December 11: Shelter Family Christmas Party

A longstanding Fifth Avenue tradition continues as we throw a holiday party for children and families in the city shelter system. Volunteers will welcome our guests, attend to more than 40 children, and help create an evening of merriment. The event takes place from 5:30 until 8 pm. Volunteers are needed as early as 4:30 pm. More specific times will be provided when you volunteer. Help us make this holiday a special one for our neighbors! To volunteer, please contact Christine Boyle (outreach@fapc.org).

Tuesday, December 12: Weekly Word Bible Study

This is the perfect opportunity for you to strengthen your relationship with Scripture and deepen your faith. Throughout the year, senior staff will guide you through some of the Bible's most thought-provoking passages. This month, Ashley Gonzalez-Grissom will lead an Advent Bible study. Weekly Word meets every Tuesday at 12 pm on Zoom. For more information, please reach out to Ashley at bible-study@fapc.org. To register, visit fapc.org/bible-study.

Wednesday, December 13: Blue Christmas Worship Service

As the rest of the world rushes toward the Christmas holiday, our Blue Christmas service reminds us that Advent is a time of quiet contemplation and preparation. This service can also be healing for those who find the holidays difficult. Many worshipers have described Blue Christmas as one of the most beautiful and restorative services of the year. It begins at 6:30 pm in Kirkland Chapel.

Saturday, December 16: Women's Christmas Tea

It's the most wonderful time of the year! All women in the congregation are invited to celebrate the season with our annual Women's Christmas Tea. Join us for tea, cookies, fellowship, and caroling as we embrace the joy of the season. For more information, please contact the Rev. Sarah A. Speed (womensministry@fapc.org).

Saturday, December 16: FAYA Christmas Party

Fa-la-la-la-FAYA! Join the Fifth Avenue Young Adults (FAYA) for the most wonderful celebration of the year- the FAYA Christmas Party! Friends are invited! For more information, please contact the Rev. Sarah A. Speed (youngadults@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. 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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The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston *Senior Pastor*



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Announce a birth or adoption

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Fund the altar flowers

Natalie Wardius
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Join the church

Ashley Gonzalez-Grissom
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Make a donation

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Planned giving

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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

80%

Have you pledged?

330 families have pledged \$2,806,708
towards our \$3.5 million goal.

Thank you!

Your pledge supports our worship services,
music ministries, online campus, outreach
to our neighbors, educational offerings,
and so much more.

Please visit fapc.org/pledge today!

Support the Church

Scan this code using the camera
on your smartphone and follow
the instructions to make a secure
donation to our ministries.

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Monday,
Wednesday – Friday
9 am – 6 pm

Tuesday
9 am – 9 pm

Saturday
8 am – 1 pm

Sunday
8 am – 2:30 pm



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