

# Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church

# FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY JANUARY 28, 2024 • 11:00 AM



Hold Fast

## 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 if 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 opporunities.

#### **▶** 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 Six Miniatures: I. Prelude • Arthur Milner (1894–1972)

\* CALL TO WORSHIP
Deacon Kelly Baer

One: We are weary of arrogance,

All: so we gather in humility.

One: We have had our fill of aggression,

All: so we gather with gentleness.

One: We have tasted the bitter fruit of hate,

All: so we gather to pursue love.

One: When God's people dwell together in unity,

All: a new day will dawn.

One: Our hearts will be shaped by truth.

All: We will walk in the light of God.

\* HYMN 612

We Praise You, O God

\* CALL TO CONFESSION
Seminarian Kari Swanson

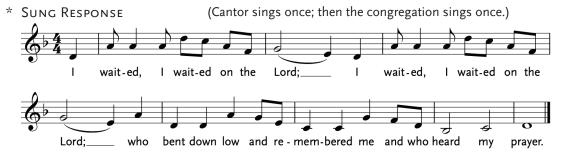
\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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



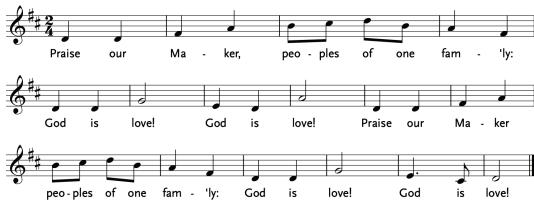
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<sup>\*</sup>Please rise in body or in spirit.

#### \* Assurance of Pardon

#### \* RESPONSE OF PRAISE



Music: E. Rawdon Bailey (1859-1938). Text: Church and School Hymnal, 1926; adapt. RGH.

\* 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**

The Rev. Werner Ramirez

Anthem

The Beatitudes • Ruth Watson Henderson (b. 1932)

Text: Matthew 5:3-10

Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs in the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are they which hunger and thirst after righteousness:

For they shall be filled.

Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers:

For they shall be called the children of God.

Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness sake:

For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Romans 12:9-10

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil,

hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection;

outdo one another in showing honor.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Beloved Community: Hold Fast"

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston

\* Affirmation of Faith

From The Confession of 1967

Each member is the church in the world,

endowed by the Spirit with some gift of ministry

and is responsible for the integrity of his or her witness

in each particular situation.

Each member is entitled to the guidance and support

of the Christian community

and is subject to its advice and correction.

In turn, each member, in her or his own competence,

helps to guide the church.

Amen to that!

\* HYMN 733

We All Are One in Mission

WELCOME OF NEW MEMBERS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE The Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike

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

Let the People Praise Thee, O God • William Mathias (1934–1992)

Text: Psalm 67

Let the people praise thee, O God; Yea, let all the people praise thee. O let the nations rejoice and be glad, For thou shalt judge the folk righteously, And govern the nations upon earth.

Then shall the earth bring forth her increase,

And God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing. God shall bless us, and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

God be merciful unto us, and bless us: And show us the light of his countenance,

And be merciful unto us.

That thy way may be known upon earth, Thy saving health among all nations.

Glory be to the Father, and 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 307 God of Grace and God of Glory

\* 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

Fanfare • John Cook (1918–1984)

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* 

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#### WORSHIP NOTES

The Offertory Anthem, *Let the people praise thee, O God*, is a joyful anthem composed by William Mathias for the wedding of Prince Charles to Lady Diana Spencer at St Paul's Cathedral in 1981. Mathias's strikingly individual choral style is characterized by an distinctive rhythmic fluency, which often has been compared to his famous compatriot, Benjamin Britten. This exciting piece also perfectly illustrates the colorful organ parts that buttress many of Mathias's choral compositions. The contrasting soft, tender passage for sustained voices (with a gently rocking accompaniment) midway through the anthem is a wonderful example of Mathias's melodic gift for fashioning sustained passages from almost plainsong-like fragments.

### WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome these new members into the church:

Allie Graves Myra Ford
Stephen Graves Alexandra Whittaker
Anthony Wirth Calvin Fisher

Byron Fisher Fanja Razafindrabe Haga

Lalah Ralaiarimanana

Carrie Kim Bonnie Rivers

#### 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.

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#### Please pray for:

Candy Asman, Pat Backus, 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, Indie and Algernon John Baptiste, 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, Bonnie Smith, 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

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#### Faithful Departed:

January 9, 2024: Elizabeth Heard Gambee—beloved wife of Robert Gambee and beloved sister-in-law of Fay Gambee.

January 20, 2024: Elaine Watt—beloved godmother of Paige McKinlay.

January 22, 2024: David McConville—beloved cousin of Paige McKinlay.

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	<b>Little Lambs, Sunday School &amp; Youth Group.</b> LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.
9:30 am	Chapel Church. Jones Auditorium.
10:15 am	Children's Choir. LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.
11 am	Worship. Sanctuary & Livestream.
11:15 am	Children's Church. LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.
12 pm	Frontera de Cristo Coffee Hour. Bonnell Hall and online.
12 pm	<b>Tour the Church.</b> Meet at the rear of the Sanctuary following worship.
7 pm	Frontera de Cristo Delegation Report. Webinar. Register at fapc.org/adult-ed.
This Week	
Wed Jan 31	The Sixth Annual Anita and Antonio Gotto Lecture, featuring Kate Bowler. 7 pm • Sanctuary & Livestream. See fapc.org/gotto for more details.
Thu Feb 1	Career Directions. 10 am • Zoom. A weekly online gathering for job seekers or anyone seeking career guidance. Contact Ashley Gonzalez-Grissom (membership@fapc.org) for the link.
Sat Feb 3	<b>Meals on Heels.</b> 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 Feb 4	<b>Unveiling the Legacy of Redlining.</b> 7 pm • Webinar. Contact Jaime Staehle (adulted@fapc.org) for more information.
Thu Feb 8	Winter Wine Event: Grapes, Grains, Fellowship, and Scripture. 6 pm • Bonnell Hall. Join our mission partner, the Farminary, for this fun evening of fellowship. Register at fapc.org/outreach-events.
Fri Feb 9	Winter Concert: The Music of Ruth Watson Henderson. 7 pm • Church of Our Saviour. Join us for an evening of enchanting choral music at Church of Our Saviour. Visit fapc.org/concerts for tickets.
Sun Feb 11	Family Ministries: Family Pancake Day. 9:30 am • La Dane Williamson Christian Education Center.
	<b>Chili Cook-Off.</b> 12:30 pm • Bonnell Hall. A Fifth Avenue winter tradition! Teams of chili chefs compete for top prizes. If you are want to compete register at fapc.org/community-life by Friday, Feb 2.

## Next Sunday · Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

"Beloved Community: Curse Not" • Romans 12:11-14

The Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike, preaching.

### **News & Events**

#### Today: Frontera de Cristo Coffee Hour & Frontera de Cristo Delegation Report

**Coffee Hour:** The church members from the October 2023 delegation to our mission partners Frontera de Cristo in Agua Prieta, Mexico, and Douglas, Arizona, want to share what they learned with you. Join us today at 12 pm in Bonnell Hall to chat as we serve Cafe Justo coffee and enjoy Sonoran style hors d'oeuvres. **Webinar:** At 7 pm, join Jaime Staehle, Director of Family Ministries, and Christine Boyle, Director of Outreach & Missions, for a moving presentation on the current border crisis, featuring individuals from the delegation. Register for this webinar at *fapc.org/adult-ed*.

#### Wednesday, January 31: The Sixth Annual Gotto Lecture

Author, historian, and podcast host Kate Bowler will deliver the sixth Anita and Antonio Gotto Lecture in our Sanctuary and on livestream. Bowler is the author of six books that range from history and memoir to devotionals and blessings. She is an associate professor of the history of Christianity in North America at Duke Divinity School and hosts the popular podcast *Everything Happens*. Her latest book, *Have a Beautiful, Terrible Day! Daily Meditations for the Ups, Downs & In-Betweens*, is out now. To secure a ticket, head to *fapc.org/gotto*. For more information, please email Ashley Gonzalez-Grissom (*gottolecture@fapc.org*).

#### Sunday, February 4: Unveiling the Legacy of Redlining

Join us at 7 pm as we delve into the historical roots of redlining in Manhattan, exploring how discriminatory housing practices have profoundly shaped the city's racial landscape. We will dive into the world of urban planning and displacement in the United States. The webinar will kick off with an overview of modern planning practices and will then demonstrate these concepts through a real-life case study on religion and zoning. Lisa Beyelar-Yvarra is a landscape designer and PhD student in the Department of Religious Studies and the School of Architecture at Yale. To learn more and register, please email Jaime Staehle (adulted@fapc.org).

#### Thursday, February 8: Winter Wine Event: Grapes, Grains, Fellowship, and Scripture

From manna in the desert to the wine at Cana, come learn how grapes and grain are central to fellowship and Scripture. Join Outreach and our mission partner, the Farminary, for this fun exploration of wine, culinary delights of the Bible, and Scripture. The cost is \$30 and includes hor d'oeuvres, dinner, and wine. Register at *fapc.org/outreach-events*. Registration for the event will close on February 5. No walk-ins will be permitted.

#### Friday, February 9: Winter Choral Concert—The Music of Ruth Watson Henderson

Join our renowned Fifth Avenue Chamber Choir at 7 pm in the Church of Our Savior at 59 Park Avenue as they present an evening of enchanting choral music by Canada's legendary pioneering female composer, Ruth Watson Henderson. Featuring sweeping melodies, lush harmonies, and rhythmic vitality, Watson Henderson's choral works reflect her rare gift to capture the emotional depth of a text through music. The choir will spend the week following this concert recording the program for an album. Get your tickets today at *fapc.org/concerts*.

#### Sunday, February 11: Chili Cook-Off

Sponsored by our Youth Group, this year's cook-off will take place on Sunday, Feb. 11, at 12:30 pm in Bonnell Hall. Your \$10 admission goes directly to the Souper Bowl of Caring, which works to alleviate hunger in local communities. Your admission also allows you to judge all of the chilis! If you want to compete for the crown, you will find entry rules and registration at *fapc.org/chili*.

#### 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 <code>fapc.org/community-groups</code>, or contact Ashley Gonzalez-Grissom, director of engagement (<code>membership@fapc.org</code>).

#### **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 <code>fapc.org/family</code>. Contact: Jaime Staehle (212.247.0490 ext 3003, <code>familyministries@fapc.org</code>).

#### **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. 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 <code>fapc.org/choirs</code> 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:

Asylum Support Clinic Mission co-workers in Madagascar,
Church of Gethsemane the Philippines & the U.S.–Mexico border

The Farminary Project Parity

Garden of Hope Search and Care

Hands Along the Nile Development Services

Holmes Camp and Retreat Center

Ministry of Hope Lesotho

Urban Outreach Center NYC

West Side Federation for Senior

and Supportive Housing

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*.

#### Fifth Avenue Women's Ministry

For generations, the women of Fifth Avenue have gathered for service, fellowship, and deeper faith. Standing on the shoulders of those who have gone before, we continue to connect and would love to include you in our community. The women's ministry at Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church is trans affirming and welcoming to women of any age and stage. We meet for annual retreats, fellowship events, Bible study, and small groups. To learn more and get involved, email Rev. Sarah A. Speed at 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 John Wyatt, Clerk of Session · Meg Sheehan, Assistant Clerk of Session

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#### CLERGY & STAFF



The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston Senior Pastor

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Plan your wedding Donna Ketchledge weddings@fapc.org



Planned giving Richard Schexnider finance@fapc.org



Prepare for baptism Jaime Staehle familyministries@fapc.org

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

We livestream our worship services and provide online playback on demand. We also shoot videos and photos from time to time in the church house (interior and exterior). By your presence, you grant Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church unrestricted rights to use and publish, transmit or telecast your image or likeness in communications related to the church. 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

# Have you pledged?

424 families have pledged \$3,181,066 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.

fapc.org/give



## **Building Hours**

Monday, Wednesday – Friday

9 am – 6 pm

Tuesday

9 am – 9 pm

Saturday

8 am – 1 pm

Sunday

8 am – 2:30 pm









