

Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 21, 2024 • 10:00 AM



Chad Schepp, *View from the Living Room*, 2024

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 in worship! You will find children’s Bibles in the first 10 rows of pews on the far north side of the Sanctuary. Ushers can also provide children’s bulletins and worship bags. If you need to leave the service to attend to your child, the ushers can direct you to the nearest changing table and livestream monitor. We provide childcare for infants and toddlers from 9:30 to 11:30 am in the LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.

➔ Worship Resources Online

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

➔ Parking

We have a parking arrangement with the garage at 51 W. 56th St. For \$16, you may park for up to three hours, seven days a week. Please provide your mobile phone number or an email address to the staff person at the 55th Street reception desk. You will receive a QR code to use at the garage. (The garage no longer provides physical validation stickers.)

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

Prelude on Yoruba Folk Melodies: 1. K'a Mura
Fela Sowande (1905–1987)

* CALL TO WORSHIP *Trustee Meredith Fleck*

Adapted from the Iona Abbey Worship Book

One: Gathered together—
The familiar and the unknown,
residents and visitors,
for the first time or the umpteenth time,

All: come, Holy Spirit.

One: Gathered together—
not knowing what we have in common,
not sure of what tomorrow will bring,
seeking for the tie that binds,

All: come, Holy Spirit.

One: To open doors, dispel fears,
establish friendships,
reveal what is in us,
and bring us closer to Christ,

**All: come, Holy Spirit.
Meet us here.**

One: Let us worship Holy God!

* HYMN 757

Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

* CALL TO CONFESSION *The Rev. Dr. Jonah So*

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word and deed, by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**In your mercy, forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.**

Silent Reflection and Confession

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



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* **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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston

SOLO

Psalm 95: 1. O Come Let Us Worship

Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)

O come, let us worship and kneel before the Lord,
and bow down to him, the Lord our Maker,
Come bow the knee to the Lord, the Lord our Maker,
For he is our God, and we are the flock of his pasture,
and the people of his hand,
O come, let us worship and kneel before the Lord.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON*Genesis 2:15-23*

The Lord God took the human and put them in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the human, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden, but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.”

Then the Lord God said, “It is not good that the human should be alone; I will make them a helper as their partner.” So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air and brought them to the human to see what they would call them, and whatever the human called every living creature, that was its name. The human gave names to all cattle and to the birds of the air and to every animal of the field, but for the person there was not found a helper as their partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the human, and they slept; then God took one of their ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the human God made into another and brought them to each other. Then the human said,

“This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh.”

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

SERMON*The Rev. Sarah A. Speed***“Why Join?”***** UNISON PRAYER**

Language inspired by the membership questions asked of each new member.

One: When the faithful join the church, we ask—

All: **Do you turn away from sin
and renounce its power in the world?
Will you turn towards Christ,
trusting in grace and love?
Will you be a faithful disciple,
showing love to all you pass?
And will you participate in the life of this church,
joyfully giving what you have?**

One: With your help, O God, help us to say ‘yes.’

All: **Give us the wisdom to claim one other
as bone of bone and flesh of flesh.**

One: Give us the conviction to put our trust in you.

All: **Give us the heart to invite others in.**

One: With hope we pray,

All: **with hope we live,
Amen.**

*** HYMN 306****Blest Be the Tie That Binds**

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
The Rev. Werner Ramirez

OFFERTORY SOLO

The Creation, Hob. XXI: 2: In Native Worth and Honor Clad
F.J. Haydn (1732–1809)

In native worth and honor clad,
with beauty, courage, strength adorned
To Heaven erect and tall he stands a man
The Lord and King of nature all.

The large and arched front sublime
of wisdom deep declares the seat,
and in his eyes with brightness shines
the soul, the breath, the image of his God.

With fondness leans upon his breast,
the partner for him formed,
a woman fair and graceful spouse.
Her softly smiling virgin looks,
of flowery spring the mirror,
bespeak him love,
love and joy and bliss.

* 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 761

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
Meg Sheehan, Clerk of Session

THE VOTE

The Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike

The church of Jesus Christ is constantly changing. Our church is changing as well. Babies are born. Children grow up. People commit themselves to one another. Loved ones and friends die. Newcomers join our community and our church. Others leave, moving on to new places and new opportunities. It is important that we recognize these times of change.

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston

Today we say farewell to one who is leaving our fellowship. On July 18, 2021, this congregation called Sarah A. Speed to serve with us as pastor. Today that call comes to an end.

The Rev. Sarah A. Speed

I thank all of you, members and friends of Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church. Your kindness and support, your caring and love, have sustained me, and I shall remember you with gratitude to God.

LITANY

The Rev. Dr. Jonah So

Let us pray for the saving presence of our living Lord:

One: In your world,

All: be present, Lord.

One: In this congregation,

All: be present, Lord.

One: In this community on site and on line,

All: be present, Lord.

One: In the homes and hearts of all your people,

All: be present, Lord.

The Rev. Sarah A. Speed

Let us pray for the mercy of the Lord:

One: For work begun but not completed,

All: Lord, have mercy.

One: For expectations not met,

All: Lord, have mercy.

One: For wounds not healed,

All: Lord, have mercy.

One: For gifts not shared,

All: Lord, have mercy.

One: For promises not kept,

All: Lord, have mercy.

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston

Let us give thanks for our journey together in this place:

One: For friendships made, for joys celebrated
and for times of nurture and growth,

All: thanks be to God.

One: For wounds healed, expectations met,
gifts given and promises kept,

All: thanks be to God.

One: For our fellowship in Jesus Christ,
and for the love of God which has sustained us,

All: thanks be to God.

THE DISSOLUTION

One: Do you, the members and friends
of Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church,
release the Reverend Sarah A. Speed
from service as your pastor?

All: We do, with thanks to God.

One: Do you, Reverend Speed, recognize and accept
the completion of your ministry
with this congregation?

Sarah: I do, with thanks to God.

PRAYER

The Rev. Werner Ramirez

DECLARATION

* BENEDICTION

One: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord be kind and gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor
and give you peace.
Alleluia! Amen.
Go in peace.

All: Go in peace.

POSTLUDE

Sonata Eroica, op. 94: Fugue • *Joseph Jongen (1873–1953)*

The ministry of music this morning is offered by
Dr. Patrick Kreeger, *Associate Organist* • Alex McCoy, *Soloist*

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:

Ann Alexander, Pat Backus, Patricia Blair, Neta Beberino, Helen Betzaia, Becky Bjornstad Benjamin Bradley, Britta Cabanos, Pastor Toribio Cajiuat, Ella Calderon, Denise Campbell Nina S. Campbell, Phoebe Chiu, Sookjoong Choi, Anne Coffey, Dr. Johanna Cook Eugenia Connerat, Edna Craddock, William Cuffee, Athanassia Doucas, Sherian Edgreen David Elissa and Barbara Mitchell, Michael Elissa, Narmella Elissa, Sohn Fong, Irene P. Gilman Anthea and Neville Graham, Florence Hall, Torian Hall, Wanda Roush Hannan, Peter S. Hawkins Christopher Henderson, Donna Marie Henderson, Maggie Hendrix, Emi Iwaida, Juliet Kaldanie Frederick Loomis, Louis Sterling King, Ceciwa Khonje, Janet Lamberth, Richard J. Lawson Mary Lowry, Lauren Ma, The McCall Family, Lynn and Gerry Nagy, Frank Owarish Dexter Ramcharan, Don Rogers, Ramon Rosa, Pauline Sample, Robert Scheuer, Nancy Seelig Tshombe Selby, Taylor Shultz, Bonnie Smith, Monica 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, Priscilla Young-Rodgers, Wayne Zhou

Faithful Departed:

March 14, 2024: Darryl Worth, beloved member of Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church.

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.** LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.
- 10 am** **Kids Bible Adventure.** LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center. Register at fapc.org/adventure.
- Worship.** Sanctuary & Livestream. A congregational meeting will be held immediately following the service.
- 10:15 am** **Children's Church.** LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.
- 11:15 am** **Reception for Sarah and Ryan Speed.** Bonnell Hall and online.
- Tour the Church.** Meet at the rear of the Sanctuary following worship.
- 2 pm** **Learn About Next Year's Trip to Scotland.** Zoom. Register at fapc.org/scotland.
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This Week

- Sat July 27** **Meals on Heels.** 8:30 am • Bonnell Hall.
- Coming Up*
- Sun July 28** **Worship.** 10 am • Sanctuary & Livestream. The Rev. Werner Ramirez, preaching.
- Sat Aug 3** **Meals on Heels.** 8:30 am • Bonnell Hall.
- FAYA Long Island City Brewery Tour.** 3 pm • Focal Point Brewery. If you have questions, dm the FAYA Instagram account ([@fapcfaya](https://www.instagram.com/fapcfaya)).
- Sun Aug 4** **Worship.** 10 am • Sanctuary & Livestream. The Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike, preaching.
- Bagels & Bible.** 11:30 am • 7th Floor Conference Room. Calling all those 40+ to join the Rev. Dr. Jonah So for bagels & Bible study.
- Sun Aug 11** **Worship.** 10 am • Sanctuary & Livestream. The Rev. Dr. Jonah So, preaching.
- Sat Aug 17** **FAYA at the Playa Beach Day.** Location TBD. To learn more about the meet-up location and timing, send a direct message to the FAYA Instagram account ([@fapcfaya](https://www.instagram.com/fapcfaya)).
- Sun Aug 18** **Worship.** 10 am • Sanctuary & Livestream. The Rev. Dr. Jonah So, preaching.
- Women's Ministry: White Elephant Book Swap.** 11:30 am. Grab a beloved book for a women's ministry book swap!
- Sun Aug 25** **Worship.** 10 am • Sanctuary & livestream. Join us for Chapel Church-style worship service! The Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike, preaching.

Next Sunday • Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

"Why Invite?" • Matthew 28:16-20

The Rev. Werner Ramirez, preaching.

NEWS & EVENTS

Today: Summer Sermon Series Kick-off!

In the ever-divisive world we live in, people ask—Why church? Why do you go to worship? Why are you a Christian? Why do you join? This summer we want to explore those deep questions and see what the wisdom of scripture and tradition have to offer. Come hear the perspective you might be missing. Join us as the Rev. Sarah A. Speed kicks off the series with her last sermon before her new call to Second Presbyterian Church in Kansas City as we ask together—“Why church?”

Today: Congregational Meeting

There will be a congregational meeting at 11 am today, Sunday, July 21, immediately following the worship service, to vote on dismissing with gratitude the Rev. Sarah A. Speed as Associate Pastor. All members are encouraged to attend. Following this brief meeting, there will be a special reception celebrating Sarah and Ryan Speed in Bonnell Hall.

Today: Kids Summer Bible Adventure

All kids in preschool through 5th grade are invited to join us for a fun day discovering the story of Esther! There will be time for games, crafts, songs, Bible stories, and more! There will also be a pizza lunch. We will meet in the LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center at 10 am. Parents, plan to attend worship at 10 am and then head for brunch or a walk in the park before picking your kids up at 1 pm. The cost for the day is \$10, please register at fapc.org/adventure.

Today: Learn About Next Year's Trip to Scotland

This afternoon at 2 pm, join Jaime Staehle, Director of Christian Education, to discuss Fifth Avenue's upcoming trip to Scotland. Learn how you'll explore the rich history and heritage of the Presbyterian Church. Those who go on the trip will visit historic sites, delve into our shared faith's deep-rooted traditions, and enjoy the breathtaking landscapes. Sign up for this unforgettable journey to deepen our faith together. Secure your spot by July 28 to receive a discount. To learn more and register for the today's Zoom meeting visit fapc.org/scotland.

Sunday, July 28: Celebrating Ashley Gonzalez-Grissom

Please join us for a special coffee hour after worship on July 28. We will celebrate our departing director of engagement, Ashley Gonzalez-Grissom. Ashley has been with us since 2022 and we are extremely grateful for all that she has brought to the Fifth Avenue family. Come help send her off with blessings and appreciation!

Saturday, August 3: FAYA Long Island City Brewery Tour

Calling all young adults! Come beat the heat this summer with a refreshing cold drink, as we bop around Long Island City to support local breweries. Join us at Focal Point Brewery at 3 pm, before we explore Fifth Hammer Brewing Company and Focal Point Brewing. The more the merrier!

Did you know...

...that you can sponsor a Coffee Hour? In honor of a loved one, celebration of a milestone, or commemoration of a significant personal or familial event, you can support a Coffee Hour at Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church. Please contact Rodrigo Rosas (rodrigo@roxoevents.com) for more information.

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; our summer hours are from 9:30 to 11:30 am. 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:

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	Urban Outreach Center NYC
Holmes Camp and Retreat Center	West Side Federation for Senior
Ministry of Hope Lesotho	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 the Rev. Sarah A. Speed at womensministry@fapc.org or visit fapc.org/women.

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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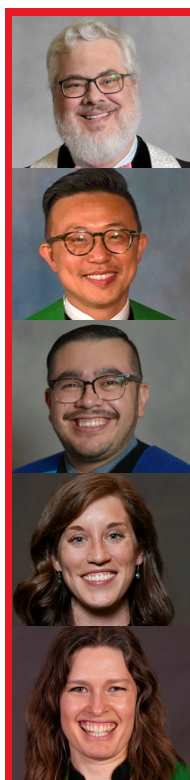
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Announce a birth or adoption

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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

Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



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