

# Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church

CHRISTMAS EVE DECEMBER 24, 2024



The Adoration of the Shepherds, Pupil of Rembrandt van Rijn, c. 1646.

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 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.)

#### CHRISTMAS EVE • 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

Intrada on The First Nowell • Ashley Grote (b. 1982)

Prelude on *Quem pastores* • Helmut Walcha (1907–1991)

Noël grand jeu et duo • Louis-Claude Daquin (1694–1772)

Prelude on the Sussex Carol • Russell Schulz-Widmar (b. 1944)

Christmas Cradle Song • Alfred Hollins (1865-1942)

Messiah: Pifa • G.F. Handel (1685-1759)

Berceuse sur le nom de SWANN • George Baker (b. 1951)

Bring a Torch, Jeanette Isabella • Keith Chapman (1945–1989)

\* CALL TO WORSHIP Elder Martha Van Hise (7:30 pm) Elder Porter Binks (11 pm)

Luke 2:10-11

Behold I bring you tidings of great joy; for unto you this day, in the city of David, is born a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

\* HYMN

#### O Come, All Ye Faithful

Text by John Francis Wade (1711–1786) Translated by Frederick Oakeley, Tune: ADESTE FIDELES

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,

O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;

Come and behold him, born the King of Angels:

O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,

O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

God of God, Light of Light,

Lo! He abhors not the Virgin's womb;

Very God, begotten, not created:

O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,

O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,

Sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above;

Glory to God in the highest:

O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,

O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning,

Jesus, to thee be glory giv'n;

Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing:

O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,

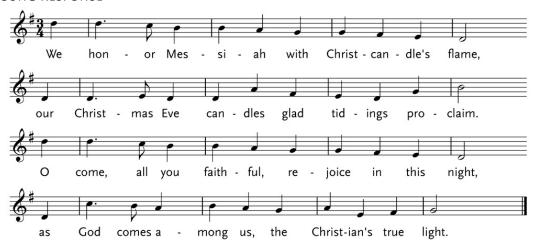
O come, let us adore him. Christ the Lord!

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

The Wong Family (7:30 pm)

Jeanne Lehman French & Nicole Rusk (11 pm)

#### SUNG RESPONSE



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#### WELCOME

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston

#### BIDDING PRAYER

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.

#### INVITATORY CAROL

I Wonder as I Wander • Traditional, arr. John Rutter (b. 1945)

I wonder as I wander out under the sky, How Jesus, the Savior, did come for to die. For poor ornery people like you and like I: I wonder as I wander, out under the sky.

When Mary birthed Jesus, 'twas in a cows' stall, With wisemen and farmers and shepherds and all. But high from God's heaven a star's light did fall, And the promise of ages it then did recall.

If Jesus had wanted for any wee thing:
A star in the sky, or a bird on the wing;
Or all of God's angels in heav'n to sing,
He surely could have had it, 'cause he was the King.

#### THE FIRST LESSON

The prophet foretells the coming of the Savior • Isaiah 9:2-7

The Rev. Dr. Jonah So (7:30 pm) The Rev. Werner Ramirez (11 pm)

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

#### CAROL

Seek Him That Maketh the Seven Stars Jonathan Dove (b. 1959), Text: Amos 5:8; Psalm 139
Seek him that maketh the seven stars and Orion And turneth the shadow of death into the morning. Alleluia, yea, the darkness shines as the day, The night is light about me.
Amen.

#### THE SECOND LESSON

The Peace That Christ Will Bring Is Foreshown • Isaiah 11:1-6 Emma Mi Zhou (7:30 pm) Deacon Darby Blaker (11 pm)

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them.

Jesus Christ the Apple Tree • Elizabeth Poston (1905–1987) Text: Divine Hymns or Spiritual Songs, compiled by Joshua Smith, New Hampshire, 1784

The tree of life my soul hath seen, Laden with fruit and always green: The trees of nature fruitless be Compared with Christ the apple tree.

His beauty doth all things excel: By faith I know, but ne'er can tell The glory which I now can see In Jesus Christ the apple tree.

For happiness I long have sought, And pleasure dearly I have bought: I missed of all; but now I see 'Tis found in Christ the apple tree.

I'm weary with my former toil, Here I will sit and rest awhile: Under the shadow I will be, Of Jesus Christ the apple tree.

This fruit doth make my soul to thrive, It keeps my dying faith alive; Which makes my soul in haste to be With Jesus Christ the apple tree.

#### THE THIRD LESSON

The Angel Gabriel Salutes the Blessed Virgin Mary • Luke 1:26-38 The Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

The Holly and the Ivy • Traditional English Carol, arr. John Rutter

The holly and the ivy When they are both full grown; Of all the trees that are in the wood The holly bears the crown.

O, the rising of the sun And the running of the deer, The playing of the merry organ, Sweet singing in the choir.

The holly bears a blossom
As white as any flower;
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
To be our sweet Saviour.

The holly bears a berry
As red as any blood;
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
To do poor sinners good.

The holly bears a prickle
As sharp as any thorn,
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
On Christmas Day in the morn.

The holly bears a bark
As bitter as any gall;
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
For to redeem us all.

#### \* HYMN 113

#### Angels We Have Heard on High

#### THE FOURTH LESSON

The Coming of the True Light • John 1:6-14 The Rev. Werner Ramirez (7:30 pm) Bob Schindler (11 pm)

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

Novo profusi gaudio • Matthew Martin (b. 1976)

Text: Anonymous (15th century)

Refrain Refrain

Novo profusi gaudio, News of great joy, Benedicamus Domino. Let us bless the Lord.

Omnes gentes, plaudite,
Car notre Saviour est né;
Over all blessed he be,
Rex Alpha et O.

All people, clap your hands,
For our Savior is born;
Blessed is he over all,
King, first and last.

Refrain Refrain

A solis ortus cardine, From the rising of the sun,

Comme le monde est long et lé, As the world is long and wide,

All mankind maketh glee, All humanity rejoices, Angeli canunt Deo. All humanity rejoices, The angels sing to God.

Refrain Refrain

Enixa est puerpera, She brings forth a son,

Que Saint Esprit en engrossa; Whom the Holy Spirit enlarged,

Blessed be time that she said ya, Blessed be the time that she said "yes,"

Gabriele nuncio. Gabriel the messenger.

Refrain Refrain

Ex illibata virgine, From the undefiled virgin, Est nascu le Roi de Majesté; Born is the King of Majesty,

The hirds him see in low degree, The household sees his humble circumstances,

Jacentem in presepio.

Cloria tibi, Domine,

Glory to you, Lord,

Fontaine de grâce et de pitié; Fount of grace and mercy;

Of all thy goodness we thank thee; We thank you for all thy goodness;

Benedicamus Domino. Let us bless the Lord.

Refrain Refrain

#### THE FIFTH LESSON

St. Luke Tells of the Birth of Jesus • Luke 2:1-7

The Rev. Chris Palmer

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. This registration occurred while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to be registered, everyone to their own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David. Joseph went be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

Glory, Glory to the Newborn King • Moses Hogan (1957–2003)
Text: "Go Tell It on the Mountain," with additional lyrics by Moses Hogan

What will we call that pretty little baby? Baby born in Bethlehem.
What will we call that pretty little baby? Christ the Lord, the newborn King.

Where was he born, this pretty little baby? Down in a lowly manger:

Where his birth was in a stable.

Christ the Lord, the newborn King.

Born this night, the Son of Mary:

Hail the heaven-born Prince of peace.

Glory to the newborn King.

Glory, glory, glory to the newborn King.

Children, go and tell it on the mountain, Lord, Over the hills and everywhere.
Why don't you go tell it on the mountain, Lord, That Jesus Christ is born.

See the newborn baby.

Glory, glory, glory to the newborn King... All praise to the newborn King, we're singin'... Over hill and mountain, we're singin'... Hail, the new King, we're singin'...

We're singin': Glory, glory, glory to the newborn King.

#### THE SIXTH LESSON

The Shepherds Go to the Manger • Luke 2:8-14 Jeanne Lehman French (7:30 pm) Janine Schindler (11 pm)

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, "Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; you shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward all."

The Shepherd's Carol • Bob Chilcott (b. 1955), Text: Anonymous

We stood on the hills, Lady, Our day's work done, Watching the frosted meadows That winter had won.

The evening was calm, Lady, The air so still, Silence more lovely than music Folded the hill.

There was a star, Lady, Shone in the night, Larger than Venus it was And bright, so bright.

Oh, a voice from the sky, Lady, It seemed to us then Telling of God being born In the world of men.

And so we have come, Lady, Our day's work done, Our love, our hopes, ourselves We give to your son.

#### \* Hymn 119

#### Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

HOMILY

"Luminous"

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston

\* CHRISTMAS EVE LITANY
The Rev. Chris Palmer

One: Light looked down and saw darkness.

All: "I will go there," said Light.

One: Peace looked down and saw war.

All: "I will go there," said Peace.

One: Love looked down and saw hatred.

All: "I will go there," said Love.

One: So he, the Lord of Light,

the Prince of Peace, the King of Love, came down and crept in beside us.

All: Thanks be to God.

#### CALL TO GIVE

#### OFFERTORY CAROL

O Holy Night • Adolphe Adam (1803–1856) Arr. John Rutter, text by Cappeau de Roquemaure (1808–1877)

O holy night! The stars are brightly shining, It is the night of the dear Savior's birth;

Long lay the world in sin and error pining, Till he appeared, and the soul felt its worth. A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices, For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn. Fall on your knees! Oh hear the angel voices! O night divine! O night when Christ was born, O night divine, O night divine.

Led by the light of faith serenely beaming, With glowing hearts by his cradle we stand; So, led by light of a star sweetly gleaming, Here came the wise men from the Orient land. The King of Kings lay thus in lowly manger, In all our trials born to be our friend; He knows our need, to our weakness no stranger; Behold your King! Before him lowly bend! Behold your King! Your King! Before him bend!

Truly he taught us to love one another;
His law is love and his Gospel is peace.
Chains shall he break, for the slave is our brother,
And in his Name all oppression shall cease.
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we,
Let all within us praise his holy Name.
Christ is the Lord, then ever, ever praise we,
His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim,
His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim.

OFFERTORY PRAYER
The Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike

\* Нүми 134

Joy to the World

#### THE SEVENTH LESSON

St. John Unfolds the Great Mystery of the Incarnation • John 1:1-5 *The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston* 

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

\* HYMN 122

Silent Night, Holy Night

\* Benediction

Postlude

I Saw Three Ships • Richard Elliott (b. 1957)

The ministry of music this evening 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*Rachel Mikol, Claire Myers McCormick, and Francesca Lionetta, *Sopranos* 

# As we step into 2025, we warmly invite you to join us in worship.

# Wednesday, December 25 – Thursday, December 26

Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church will be closed in observance of the Christmas holiday.

## Sunday, December 29

The Rev. Chris Palmer will lead us into the New Year as he concludes our Advent Sermon series with "Life at the Kids' Table." There will be one service today, beginning at 11 am in the Sanctuary and on livestream.

## Sunday, January 5

The Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike will lead our celebration of Epiphany. Chapel Church will resume at 9:30 am in Jones Auditorium. Our 11 am worship service will be in the Sanctuary and on livestream.

## Sunday, January 19

The Rev. Dr. Frederick Streets is the Coordinator of the Divinity and Social Work Joint Degree Program and Adjunct Associate Professor of Divinity and Social Work at Yale Divinity School. Rev. Dr. Streets is the former Chaplain of Yale University and the first African American and Baptist to hold that post. He is our guest preacher as we honor the memory of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King. Dr. Streets will preach a sermon on Luke 15:11-32, titled "The Hope of Our Time." Join us at 11 am in the Sanctuary and on livestream.

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Visit *fapc.org* for our worship calendar and other events in the new year!



Eliza T. Griswold
The Anita and Antonio Gotto Lecture

Thursday, March 6, 7 pm

Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist, poet, and author Eliza T. Griswold will deliver the Anita and Antonio Gotto Lecture on Thursday, March 6, at 7 pm. Griswold is celebrated for her compassionate storytelling and deep exploration of social and cultural issues. Her work, often featured in *The New Yorker*, sheds light on marginalized communities and the resilience of the human spirit.

Griswold's latest book, *Circle of Hope*, offers a powerful narrative about a congregation working towards change and justice amid adversity.

To secure a ticket, visit fapc.org/gotto. For more information, email gottolecture@fapc.org.

#### **ABOUT THE ANITA & ANTONIO GOTTO LECTURE SERIES**

The Anita and Antonio Gotto Lecture Series offers compelling talks by renowned theologians and preachers, writers and scholars. Inaugurated in October 2018, the Gotto Lecture Series is made possible through a generous contribution from Anita and Antonio Gotto, longtime members of the congregation.

Anita and Antonio Gotto are natives of Nashville, Tennessee, where they attended Vanderbilt University. The Gottos moved to New York in 1997 when Tony became the dean of Weill Cornell Medical College. They joined Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church in 1998, where Tony has served on the Board of Trustees and Anita on the Session.

#### The Session

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, *Moderator* • The Rev. Dr. Jonah So, *Executive Pastor* The Rev. Werner Ramirez, *Associate Pastor* • The Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike, *Associate Pastor* The Rev. Chris Palmer, *Associate Pastor* • Meg Sheehan, *Clerk of Session* Dennis Bushe, *Assistant Clerk of Session* 

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