



Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

JUNE 1, 2025 • 10:00 AM



Lisle Gwynn Garrity, *Restored*

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

L'ascension: Alleluias sereins • Olivier Messiaen (1908–1992)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Elder Sylvia Winrich

Based on Psalm 46

One: When life feels shaky and uncertain—
God is our safe place, our steady help,
always close.

All: **So we won't be afraid,
even when the world feels like it's falling apart.**

One: God says, "Be still.
Take a breath.
Know that I am God."

All: **We're not alone—God is right here with us.**

One: So come—bring your worries,
your questions, your hopes.

All: **Let us worship God, tender and just.**

* HYMN 509

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

* CALL TO CONFESSION

The Rev. Chris Palmer

* 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

* SONG RESPONSE

O Je - sus, King of gen - tle - ness, Do all our
in - most hearts pos - sess; O Lord of all, with us a -
bide In this our joy - ful Eas - ter - tide.

**Please rise in body or in spirit.*

* 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.

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. Dr. Scott Black Johnston

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 5:15-16

Now, more than ever, the word about Jesus spread abroad; many crowds would gather to hear him and to be cured of their diseases. But he would withdraw to out-of-the-way places and pray.

SABBATICAL LITANY

One: We wish Godspeed to Pastor Werner
as he begins his sabbatical.

Many: As you journey and study
and visit new surroundings,
may you be filled with the Holy Spirit
and may your find rest and restoration
for your soul.

Werner: I pray God's blessing on all of you while I am gone.
May God be with you here.

Many: We send you forth with our blessing.
May God be with you there.

One: Let us pray...

Many: Spirit of the Living God,
bless our friend Werner during his sabbatical.
Renew him for ministry
through a time set aside for reflection and study,
through this break from daily tasks and routine;

Grace him with your presence
and bring him safely back to us.
All this we pray
in the name of the one who embraced sabbath
and who encouraged all his followers
to do the same,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANTHEM

Come, Renew Us • *Eleanor Daley (b. 1955)*
Text by David Adam (1936–2020)

Come Lord, come to us,
Enter our darkness with your light.
Fill our emptiness with your presence,
Come, refresh, restore, renew us.
In our sadness, come as joy,
In our troubles, come as peace,
In our fearfulness, come as hope,
In our darkness, come as light,
In our frailty, come as strength,
In our loneliness, come as love.
Come, refresh, restore, renew us.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Exodus 16

Sienna Tount, Youth Elder
Suri Wong, Youth Elder Elect

The whole congregation of the Israelites set out from Elim; and Israel came to the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had departed from the land of Egypt. The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them,

Congregation: “If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”

Then the Lord said to Moses,

“I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not.

On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days.”

So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites,

“In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?”

And Moses said,

“When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the Lord.”

Then Moses said to Aaron,

“Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, ‘Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.’”

And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said,

“I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.’”

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another,

Congregation: “What is it?”

For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them,

“It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat. This is what the Lord has commanded: ‘Gather as much of it as each of you needs, an omer to a person according to the number of persons, all providing for those in their own tents.’”

The Israelites did so, some gathering more, some less. But when they measured it with an omer, those who gathered much had nothing over, and those who gathered little had no shortage; they gathered as much as each of them needed. And Moses said to them,

“Let no one leave any of it over until morning.”

But they did not listen to Moses; some left part of it until morning, and it bred worms and became foul. And Moses was angry with them. Morning by morning they gathered it, as much as each needed; but when the sun grew hot, it melted.

On the sixth day they gathered twice as much food, two omers apiece. When all the leaders of the congregation came and told Moses, he said to them,

“This is what the Lord has commanded: ‘Tomorrow is a day of solemn rest, a holy sabbath to the Lord; bake what you want to bake and boil what you want to boil, and all that is left over put aside to be kept until morning.’”

So they put it aside until morning, as Moses commanded them; and it did not become foul, and there were no worms in it. Moses said,

“Eat it today, for today is a sabbath to the Lord; today you will not find it in the field. Six days you shall gather it; but on the seventh day, which is a sabbath, there will be none.”

On the seventh day some of the people went out to gather, and they found none. The Lord said to Moses,

“How long will you refuse to keep my commandments and instructions? See! The Lord has given you the sabbath, therefore on the sixth day he gives you food for two days; each of you stay where you are; do not leave your place on the seventh day.”

So the people rested on the seventh day. The house of Israel called it manna; it was like coriander seed, white, and the taste of it was like wafers made with honey. Moses said,

“This is what the Lord has commanded: ‘Let an omer of it be kept throughout your generations, in order that they may see the food with which I fed you in the wilderness, when I brought you out of the land of Egypt.’”

And Moses said to Aaron,

“Take a jar, and put an omer of manna in it, and place it before the Lord, to be kept throughout your generations.”

As the Lord commanded Moses, so Aaron placed it before the covenant, for safekeeping. The Israelites ate manna forty years, until they came to a habitable land; they ate manna, until they came to the border of the land of Canaan. An omer is a tenth of an ephah.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The Rev. Werner Ramirez

“Say Amen to Sabbath”

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from *The Presbyterian Catechism*, Presbyterian Church (USA)

Question: Who are you?

Answer: I am a child of God.

Question: What does it mean to be a child of God?

Answer: That I belong to God, who loves me. Amen.

* SUNG RESPONSE



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CALL TO GIVE

The Rev Dr. Jonah So

OFFERTORY SONG

Say Amen • *Can Olgun, Text by Scott Black Johnston*

I know what I don't like.
I know what stirs my fears
and feels so very wrong.
I can spend my days,
posting thumbs down,
sending little frowns,
wagging my finger at the world.

And then I look to you.
I watch and see,
one whose open face
shines on me.

Pre-Chorus

You, O Christ,
set my compass true.
You paint a holy vision—
place the good in view.
You tug at our souls
and bid us say...
"Amen, Amen, Amen"

Chorus

Say "Amen." Say it again.
To the swallow in the nest.
To the stranger and the guest.
Say "Amen."

Say "Amen." Say it again.
To mercy for the least.

To seats at the feast.

Say "Amen, Amen, Amen."

Through the meanness, darkness, and the mess,
we seek your holy way.
Tattoo your vision
on our hearts we pray.

You approach the world
with hope and with grace,
feeding hungry folk,
sharing God's embrace.

Pre-Chorus

Chorus (Repeat)

Chorus

Say "Amen." Say it again.
To hearts that can change,
Say "Amen." Say it again.
To love's wild range.
Say "Amen." Say it again.
To shelter in the storm,
Say "Amen." Say it again.
To life on Easter morn. (Repeat)
Say "Amen, Amen, Amen."
Say "Amen, Amen, 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

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

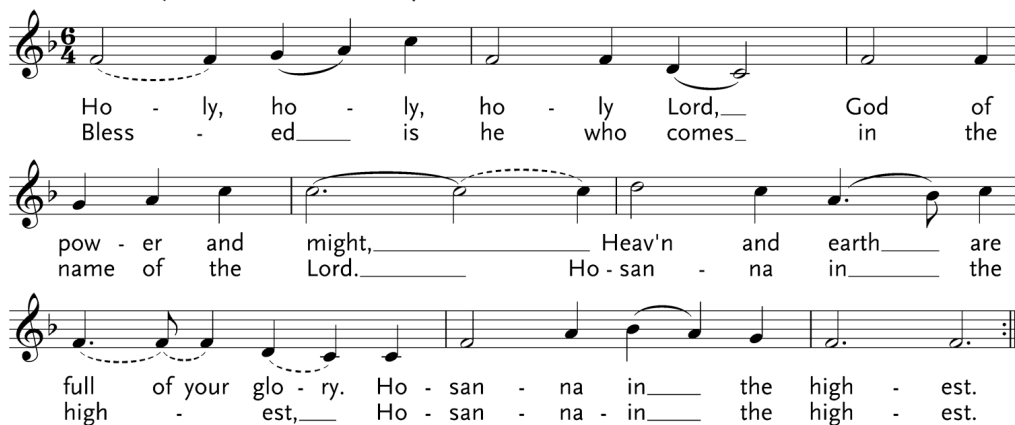
One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy God, we praise you.

Let the heavens be joyful, and the earth be glad.

We bless you for creating the whole world, for your promises to your people Israel,
and for Jesus Christ, in whom your fullness dwells.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
Bless - ed is he who comes in the
pow - er and might, Heav'n and earth are
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Born of Mary, he shares our life. Eating with sinners, he welcomes us.

Guiding his children, he leads us. Visiting the sick, he heals us.

Dying on the cross, he saves us. Rising from the dead, he gives new life.

Living with you, he prays for us. Great is the mystery of faith:



Christ has died; Christ is ris - en; Christ will come a - gain.
Christ has died; Christ is ris - en; Christ will come a - gain.

With thanksgiving we take this bread and this cup

and proclaim the death and resurrection of our Lord.

Receive our sacrifice of praise.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us, that this meal may be a communion
in the body and blood of our Lord.

Make us one with Christ and with all who share this feast.

Unite us in faith, encourage us with hope, inspire us to love,

that we may serve as your faithful disciples until we feast at your table in glory.

We praise you, eternal God, through Christ your Word made flesh,
in the holy and life-giving Spirit, now and forever.



A - men, a - men, a - - - men.

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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.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION ANTHEM

God Is Gone Up • *Gerald Finzi (1901–1956)*
Text by Edward Taylor (c. 1646–1729)
God is gone up with a triumphant shout:
The Lord with sounding Trumpets' melodies:
Sing Praise, sing Praise, sing Praise, sing Praises out,
Unto our King sing praise seraphic-wise!
Lift up your Heads, ye lasting Doors, they sing,
And let the King of Glory enter in.
Methinks I see Heaven's sparkling courtiers fly,
In flakes of Glory down him to attend,
And hear Heart-cramping notes of Melody
Surround his Chariot as it did ascend;
Mixing their Music, making ev'ry string
More to enravish as they this tune sing.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

* HYMN 697

Take My Life

* BENEDICTION

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

* CHORAL RESPONSE

May the Grace of Christ • *William Smith Rockstro (1823–1895)*
Text by John Newton (1725–1807)
May the grace of Christ our Savior,
And our Maker's boundless love,
With the Holy Spirit's favor,
Rest upon us from above.
Thus may we abide in union
Held together by the Word,
And possess in rich communion
Joys which earth cannot afford.

POSTLUDE

L'ascension: Transports de joie • Olivier Messiaen (1908–1992)

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* • Rachel Mikol, *Soprano*
Jennifer Reed, Wayne Wilson, *Vocalists*, Dr. Can Olgun, *Director of Chapel Church Music*

WORSHIP NOTES

The great English composer, Gerald Finzi, wrote *God Is Gone Up* for a St. Cecilia's Day celebration at St. Sepulchre Anglican Church in central London in 1951. Finzi chose the words of American poet Edward Taylor (1646?–1729) to serve as the text for this, his most famous anthem. Taylor's biblically inspired poetry describes an imaginary celebration following the Ascension of Christ, an occasion marked each year on the Day of Ascension (celebrated this past week on Thursday, May 29). The joyous work begins with instrumental fireworks on the organ—"God is gone up with a triumphant shout!" the choir exclaims, and the organ rushes to join them. The piece is organized into three major sections: jubilant music of praise dominates the two outer sections, with a more serene section in the middle. This inner section, featuring sustained melodies and floating harmonies, beautifully captures images of flitting heavenly creatures encircling the chariot of God.

Olivier Messiaen was one of the most renowned organists and composers of the 20th century. His wonderfully evocative work, *L'ascension* ("The Ascension") began its life as a four-movement suite for orchestra. This morning we hear the profoundly stirring second movement as the prelude: *Alleluias sereins d'une âme qui désire le ciel* ("Serene alleluias of a soul that longs for heaven"); and the thrilling third movement as the postlude: *Transports de joie d'une âme devant la gloire du Christ qui est la sienne* ("Outbursts of joy of a soul before the glory of Christ, which is its own glory"), often referred to simply as *Transports de joie*. Like *God Is Gone Up*, we hear Messiaen's music this morning in commemoration of the Day of Ascension.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Please pray for:

Ann Alexander, Pat Backus, Eliseo Batuan, Neta Beberino, Helen Betzaia, Becky Bjornstad Patricia Blair, Teresita Block, Sarah Boyce, Benjamin Bradley, Britta Cabanos, Pastor Toribio Cajuat Ella Calderon, Denise Campbell, Nina S. 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, Daniele Engome, Irene P. Gilma Anthea and Neville Graham, Florence Hall, Torian Hall, Peter S. Hawkins, Carol Healy Christopher Henderson, Donna Marie Henderson, Emi Iwaida, Tara Kay Johnson, Juliet Kaldanie Ceciwa Khonje, Louis Sterling King, Janet Lamberth, Richard J. Lawson, Frederick Loomis Violet Lorenzen, Mary Lowry, Lauren Ma, The McCall Family, Octavia McLaren, Epifania Mercado Ryan Moloughney, Gerry Nagy, Frank Owarish, Emmett Raitt, Dexter Ramcharan, Debbie Rogers Ramon Rosa, Pauline Sample, Norma Santos, Robert Scheuer, Taylor Shultz, Bonnie Smith Monica Smith, Spencer Robert Smith, Willie Gerald Smith, Frieda Sompotan, Neva Strom Lorraine Sukhu, Rocco Tannehill, Harold Tither, Susan Tobiason, Henny Waisapy, Bill Wanek Warren White, Suzanne Wilks, Sylvia Winrich, Deborah Wurgler, Doris Wurgler

Faithful Departed:

May 24, 2025: Philip C. Pieters, beloved father of Kelsea Pieters Weisel and beloved father-in-law of Peter Weisel

May 25, 2025: Maria Jonathan Sompotan, beloved sister-in-law of Frieda Sompotan.

May 26, 2025: Roy Owens, beloved grandfather of Natalie Owens-Pike. Beloved father of Suzanne Owens-Pike, Jeffrey, Laurie and Chris Owens, grandfather of Hannah Owens-Pike and many other beloved grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

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** **Worship.** Sanctuary.
- 10:15 am** **Children's Church.** LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.
- 11:15 am** **Coffee Hour.** Weber Terrace. Join us after worship for a cup of coffee and an opportunity to chat with clergy and friends.
- Tour of the Church.** After worship, look for a docent in the back of the Sanctuary with a "tour starts here" sign.
- Sermon Springboard.** Zoom. Join Rev. Jonah and members of the online campus for sermon discussion and fellowship.
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This Week

- Tue June 3** **Staff Day.** Building closed.
- Wed June 4** **Community Choir.** 6 pm • Jones Auditorium. All voices are welcome!
- FAYA Bible Study.** 6 pm • The Living Room. To learn more, visit @fapcfaya on Instagram or email youngadults@fapc.org.
- Asian American Bible Study.** 6:30 pm • 6th floor conference room & Zoom.
- Fri June 6 – Sun June 8** **Family Camp.** To learn more, visit fapc.org/camp.
- Fri June 6 – Sun June 8** **Beyond the Walls Weekend.** Visit fapc.org/beyond to join.
- Coming Up**
- Sun June 8** **Congregational Meeting.** 10 am worship service.
- Sat June 14** **Women's Spring Sabbath.** 10 am • Jones Auditorium & Zoom. Join the Women's Ministry for a rejuvenating day-long Sabbath! Register at fapc.org/women.
- Meals on Heels.** 8:30 am • Bonnell Hall. Volunteers prepare and deliver weekend meals to homebound seniors. New volunteers are welcome and needed! Contact: John Wyatt (moh@fapc.org).
- Sun June 22** **Margaret Shafer Picnic.** 12 pm • Bonnell Hall. To learn more, visit fapc.org/picnic.
- Sat June 28** **FAYA Prom. Bonnell Hall.** 7 pm • To register, visit Instagram (@fapcfaya) or email youngadults@fapc.org.
- Wed July 16** **The Book of Esther in the Time of Rembrandt – Tour.** 3 pm • The Jewish Museum. To learn more, please email womensministry@fapc.org.
- Sun July 20** **Water Wonders and Bible Fun.** 10 am • LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center. To learn more, please email familyministries@fapc.org.

Next Sunday · Day of Pentecost

"The View from Here, Part XVIII" • Acts 2:1-13
The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, preaching.

NEWS & EVENTS

Introducing Barron Flood

Today we're pleased to welcome Barron Flood as our Summer Pastoral Resident! Barron is a native of Atlanta with a background in law and has just completed his first year at Princeton Theological Seminary. Stop by Coffee Hour and say hi to Barron! Learn more about Barron at fapc.org/barron.

Friday, June 6 – Sunday, June 8: Beyond the Walls Weekend

Mark your calendars for Beyond the Walls weekend! Join us in New York for a weekend of special events and fellowship, specially planned to integrate our online campus with our onsite church community! Whether you're as close as Connecticut or as far away as California, come experience worship in person, enjoy an evening welcome on the Fifth Avenue terrace with the clergy and staff, share in a Bible study on the scriptures that inspire this hybrid church ministry, and deepen our relationships as we break bread together. Learn more and register at fapc.org/beyond.

Sunday, June 8: Congregational Meeting

Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church invites all members to a Congregational Meeting during the 10 am worship service. During this meeting, we will elect an officer for an unexpired term, prior to the Ordination and Installation of Officers.

Saturday, June 14: Women's Spring Sabbath

All women are invited to a rejuvenating day-long Sabbath retreat at Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church! Starting at 10 am, we'll come together for a rich day of fellowship, insightful study, and a delicious lunch. We'll wrap up this inspiring time with a closing worship by 3 pm, leaving you refreshed and renewed. The cost for this retreat is \$25 in-person and free for Zoom. To learn more and register, visit fapc.org/sabbath.

Sunday, June 22: Margaret Shafer Picnic

Every summer our volunteers gather to serve a picnic lunch to neighbors in our community who are experiencing homelessness or simply in need of a relaxed meal among friends. This event is named in honor of the late Margaret Shafer, our former associate for outreach and a beloved friend and advocate of the homeless in our community. To learn more and register to volunteer, please visit fapc.org/picnic.

Summer Schedule

Today we continue our summer schedule, with one weekly worship service each Sunday at 10 am. We will keep this schedule until Homecoming Sunday, September 7.

Monday, June 30: Kirkland Chapel Campaign closes

Thank you to all who have supported the campaign to renovate our beloved Kirkland Chapel! Your generosity is at work every day to make the chapel ready for the next one hundred years. If you would like to join this historic effort, there is still time! We will close the campaign on Monday, June 30. Make your donation today to be sure your name appears on a plaque that will grace the chapel's walls. Visit fapc.org/give and select "Kirkland Chapel Renovation" in the *Fund* dropdown. Someone from the church will reach out to you this summer to confirm how you want your name to appear. Thank you!

OFFICERS BY CLASS

The Session

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, *Moderator* • The Rev. Dr. Jonah So, *Executive Pastor*
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9 am – 5 pm

Saturday

8 am – 1 pm

Sunday

8 am – 12 pm



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