

Lisle Gwynn Garrity, *An Imperfect Ally* (Pharaoh's Daughter Adopts Moses)

Trinity Sunday
June 15, 2025 • 9:30 am



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Prelude

Words of Welcome

The Rev. Dr. Jonah So

* Opening Song Rest On Us • *Maverick City Music*

Verse

As the Spirit was moving over the waters

Spirit, come move over us

Come rest on us

Come rest on us (*Repeat*)

Chorus

Come down

Spirit, when You move You make my heart pound

When You fill the room

You're here and I know You are moving

I'm here and I know You will fill me (Repeat)

Verse (Repeat)

Fire and wind, come and do it again

Open up the gates, let Heaven on in

Come rest on us

Come rest on us (*Repeat*)

Chorus

Come down

Spirit, when You move You make my heart pound

When You fill the room

You're here and I know You are moving

I'm here and I know You will fill me (Repeat)

Holy Spirit, come rest on us

You're all we want

You're all we want (*Repeat 4 times*)

Chorus (Repeat several times)

* Call to Confession

Summer Resident Barron Flood

* 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 Prayer)

* Song of Celebration #582 **Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me**

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me
 And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me
 And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free
 As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

* Words of Forgiveness

One: Hear the good news of the gospel:

All: We are loved. We are claimed. We are forgiven.
 Thanks be to God! Amen.

* Holy Interruption

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you!

Gathering Song **Blest Be the Tie That Binds**

Blest be the tie that binds
 our hearts in Christian love.
 The fellowship of kindred minds
 is like to that above.

Litany of Parting

All: May God be with you there.

Children: May God be with you here.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture *Exodus 15:22-27*

Then Moses ordered Israel to set out from the Red Sea, and they went into the wilderness of Shur. They went three days in the wilderness and found no water. When they came to Marah, they could not drink the water of Marah because it was bitter. That is why it was called Marah. And the





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people complained against Moses, saying, "What shall we drink?" He cried out to the Lord, and the Lord showed him a piece of wood; he threw it into the water, and the water became sweet.

There the Lord made for them a statute and an ordinance, and there he put them to the test. He said, "If you will listen carefully to the voice of the Lord your God, and do what is right in his sight, and give heed to his commandments and keep all his statutes, I will not bring upon you any of the diseases that I brought upon the Egyptians, for I am the Lord who heals you."

Then they came to Elim, where there were twelve springs of water and seventy palm trees, and they camped there by the water.

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

Sermon **"Bitter and Sweet"**

The Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike

* Prayer for the Day

God of the desert, the wilderness, the garden,
Teach us how to hold the bitter with the sweet.
Help us listen carefully to hear your voice.
Show us the courage to act for your justice.
Let the change in our world be from bitter to sweet,
From misunderstanding to trust,
From fear to healing,
From war to peace.
Amen.

Invitation to Pray and Give

The Rev. Chris Palmer

* Offertory Song

Never Far • *Chapel Church Music*

I feel your presence everywhere
It's in the trees and in the air
Whenever I call, you're always there to fill the space
Your love's never far away
There is no reason to deny
You are in every song I sing
You're in the sky, reaching to cover everything
You're surrounding me

Chorus

Never

You are never far away

Never

Your love's never far away

I feel your peace in every way
When I am lost inside the fray
When I am in trouble, you are there to guide my way
You are never far away

There is no reason to deny
You're in the air that I breathe
So, fill these lungs with a good word so I can speak
Of your worth to the world

Chorus

Never

You are never far away

Never

Your love's never far away

Never

You are never far away

Wrapped in your presence is where I stay

* Prayer of Gratitude

* Benediction

* Closing Song Shall Not Want • *Maverick City Music*

Will You be my light, when I cannot see?
And when I can't take another step,
Lord, would You carry me?
And when I've lost my fight, will You be my strength?
Will You set me a table in the presence of my enemies?

Chorus

I shall not want, I shall not want.

Oh, my soul's got a shepherd in the valley and I shall not want.

I shall not want, I shall not want

'Cause my cup's running over, running over and I shall not want.

And I will lift my eyes to where my help comes from,
And I won't be afraid of the shadow 'cause I've seen the sun.
No, I will not stop when the way gets hard
'Cause the green only grows in the valley, and that's where You are.





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Chorus

I shall not want, I shall not want.

Oh, my soul's got a shepherd in the valley and I shall not want.

I shall not want, I shall not want

'Cause my cup's running over, running over and I shall not want.

I've got everything that I need,
Your goodness and Your mercy. (*Repeat 3 times*)

I got goodness and I got mercy.
Hallelu, glory hallelujah. (*Repeat 3 times*)

The Good Shepherd leads me to the waters.

Hallelu, glory hallelujah.

God anoints me, anoints me with God's oil.

Hallelu, glory hallelujah.

Now my cup is, my cup is running over.

Hallelu, glory hallelujah.

I won't fear no, fear no evil.

Hallelu, glory hallelujah.

I will dwell in God's house forever.

Hallelu, glory hallelujah.

Hallelujah. Hallelujah. (*Repeat*)

Hallelu, glory hallelujah.

* Sending

One: And all God's people say—

All: Amen!

SHOUT-OUT TO TODAY'S WORSHIP TEAM!

Jennifer Reed *vocals* • Wayne Wilson *vocals* • Samantha Hogshire *vocals*

Elizabeth Ratliff *vocals* • Brendon Lee *guitar*

Dr. Can Olgun *Director of Chapel Church Music and Pianist*



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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 Cajiuat, 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. Gilman, 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

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).

FOR NOTES & DOODLES





CALENDAR

Today

- 9:30 am Little Lambs Nursery. Christian Education Center.
- 10 am Worship. Sanctuary & Livestream.
- 10:15 am Children's Church. 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.
- Sermon Springboard. Zoom. Join Rev. Natalie and members of the online campus for sermon discussion and fellowship.
- Tour of the Church. After worship, look for a docent in the back of the Sanctuary with a "tour starts here" sign.

This Week

- Wed June 18 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.
- Thu June 19 Career Directions. 10 am • Zoom. Visit fapc.org/groups to learn more and to sign up.
- Sat June 21 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 Youth Summer Picnic. 11:30 am. For more information, please contact Barron Flood (youth@fapc.org).
- 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 [@fapcfaya](#) on Instagram 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

Next Sunday • Second Sunday after Pentecost

"When Tears Pray" • 2 Samuel 21:10-22

The Rev. Chris Palmer, preaching.

BEFORE YOU GO!

6.15.25

The top reminders for this week.

Today: 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.

Sunday, June 22: Margaret Shafer Picnic

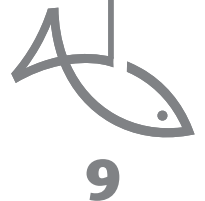
Every summer our volunteers gather to serve a picnic lunch to neighbors in our community who are experiencing homelessness or simply in need of a relaxed meal among friends. This event is named in honor of the late Margaret Shafer, our former associate for outreach and a beloved friend and advocate of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

Sunday, June 29: Pride Sunday

Celebrate Pride with Fifth Avenue! Wear your brightest colors and join us as we show our support for the LGBTQ community in worship and throughout the day. On June 29, we will welcome Rev. Dr. Jess Winderweedle as our guest preacher for 10:00 am worship. Following the service, The Word is Out and FAYA will meet at Coffee Hour and join our sister congregation at First Presbyterian Church in the City of New York (12 W 12th St.). We'll cheer on the annual NYC Pride March and hand out water to participants and spectators. All are welcome! Contact Barron Flood and Austin Applebach (community@fapc.org) for more information and to let us know you're coming.

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!





GETTING CONNECTED

Adult Education

Each spring and fall, we offer courses in theology and Scripture, spirituality, social issues and other disciplines. 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

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 email (membership@fapc.org).

Congregational Care

If you (or someone you know) are going through a difficult time, we are here for you. We are available for counseling, home and hospital visits, medical escorts and prayer. Please visit fapc.org/care to submit a prayer request and learn more about our Congregational Care program.

Family Ministries

Family Ministries nurtures diverse, strong, faithful families. Our **Little Lambs** nursery for infants and toddlers is available every Sunday from 9 am to 12:30 pm during the program year (September–May). **Sunday School** (PreK – 5th Grade) is at 9:30 am and **Children's Church** (PreK – 2nd Grade) is following the Litany of Parting during the 11 am worship service during the program year. **Youth Group** worships at Chapel Church at 9:30 am and meets at 11 am. On the first Sunday of the month, Youth Group worships at both services. Learn more 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. 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).

Hybrid Church

Did you know that this church has a vibrant online community? Whether you're a New Yorker worshipping from home, a longtime member who moved, or a visitor new to our livestream, you are a part of our online campus! There are many ways you can get involved. Don't miss our virtual small groups, online office hours for pastoral care, retreat programming and seasonal gatherings here at Fifth Avenue. Contact Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike at hybridchurch@fapc.org for more information.

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 or email membership@fapc.org to register.

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 & Volunteering

Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church is committed to serving our community through outreach and volunteer efforts. We engage members and friends in advocacy, service, and hands-on support. Programs include the Befriending Ministry for our neighbors experiencing homelessness, the Ecumenical Outreach Partnership with Saint Thomas Church and St. Patrick’s Cathedral, A Place at the Table (a twice-weekly sidewalk lunch), and Meals on Heels, a Saturday meal preparation and delivery service for homebound seniors. We also partner with local, national, and international mission organizations. Each week, our members serve as ushers, greeters, meal providers, caregivers, tour guides, and advocates for the underserved. To get involved, visit fapc.org/outreach or fapc.org/volunteer, or contact Christine Boyle, Director of Outreach & Missions (212.247.0490 ext 3006, outreach@fapc.org).

Fifth Avenue Women’s Ministry

For generations, the women of Fifth Avenue have gathered for service, fellowship, and deeper faith. 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 womensministry@fapc.org or visit fapc.org/women.



Let's Be Friends



NEW MEMBER CLASS

Believing & Belonging

Sunday, July 20 • 2 pm

Join the Rev. Chris Palmer and Austin Applebach for the next installment of Believing and Belonging! This fun Zoom class dives into the theology and history of the church and invites you to be a part of that ongoing legacy.

Register for this class at fapc.org/belong.

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Thursday, June 19, the building will be closed in observance of the Juneteenth holiday.

Building Hours

Monday, Wednesday – Friday	Tuesday	Saturday	Sunday
9 am – 6 pm	9 am – 9 pm	8 am – 1 pm	8 am – 2:30 pm

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