



Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 6, 2025 • 10:00 AM



Rick Secen, *Waiting for Rain*, 2025

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 op. 28 no. 15 "Raindrop" • *Frédéric Chopin* (1810–1849)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Deacon Nicole Rusk

One: Come, all who thirst for hope,
all who wander in dry places,
weary from the dust,
searching for peace and rest.

All: **Here, the Spirit flows like water in the desert—
cooling, renewing, and refreshing.**

One: Our God makes springs in the wilderness,
rivers in the dry land,
wells for the thirsty,
and rain that softens even the hardest ground.

All: **All are invited. All are welcome.
Come, let us worship God.**

* HYMN 450

Be Thou My Vision

* 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



All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace on earth_ from heav - en,
And God's good will un - fail - ing - ly be to all peo - ple giv - en.
We praise, we wor - ship You, we raise to Your great glo - ry
thanks and praise, Cre - a - tor, Son, and Spi - rit.

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* PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.
All: And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SOLO

St. John Passion, BWV 245: *Ich folge dir gleichfalls*
("I Follow You With Happy Steps") • J.S. Bach (1685–1750)

*Ich folge dir gleichfalls mit freudigen Schritten
Und lasse dich nicht, Mein Leben, mein Licht.*

I follow you likewise with happy steps and do
not leave you, my Life, my Light.

Befördre den Lauf,

Pursue your journey,

*Und höre nicht auf, Selbst an mir zu ziehen, zu
schieben, zu bitten.*

and don't stop, continue to draw me on, to
push me, to urge me.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Kings 17:1; 18:1-2, 41-46

Now Elijah the Tishbite, of Tishbe in Gilead, said to Ahab, "As the Lord the God of Israel lives, before whom I stand, there shall be neither dew nor rain these years, except by my word."

After many days the word of the Lord came to Elijah, in the third year of the drought, saying, 'Go, present yourself to Ahab; I will send rain on the earth.' So Elijah went to present himself to Ahab. The famine was severe in Samaria.

Elijah said to Ahab, 'Go up, eat and drink; for there is a sound of rushing rain.' So Ahab went up to eat and to drink. Elijah went up to the top of Carmel; there he bowed himself down upon the earth and put his face between his knees. He said to his servant, 'Go up now, look towards the sea.' He went up and looked, and said, 'There is nothing.' Then he said, 'Go again seven times.' At the seventh time he said, 'Look, a little cloud no bigger than a person's hand is rising out of the sea.' Then he said, 'Go and say to Ahab, "Harness your chariot and go down before the rain stops you." ' In a little while the heavens grew black with clouds and wind; there was heavy rain.

Ahab rode off and went to Jezreel. But the hand of the Lord was on Elijah; he girded up his loins and ran in front of Ahab to the entrance of Jezreel.

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

SERMON

Summer Pastoral Resident
Barron Flood

“A Chance of Rain”

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from *The Confession of 1967 – Inclusive Language Version*
Presbyterian Church (USA)

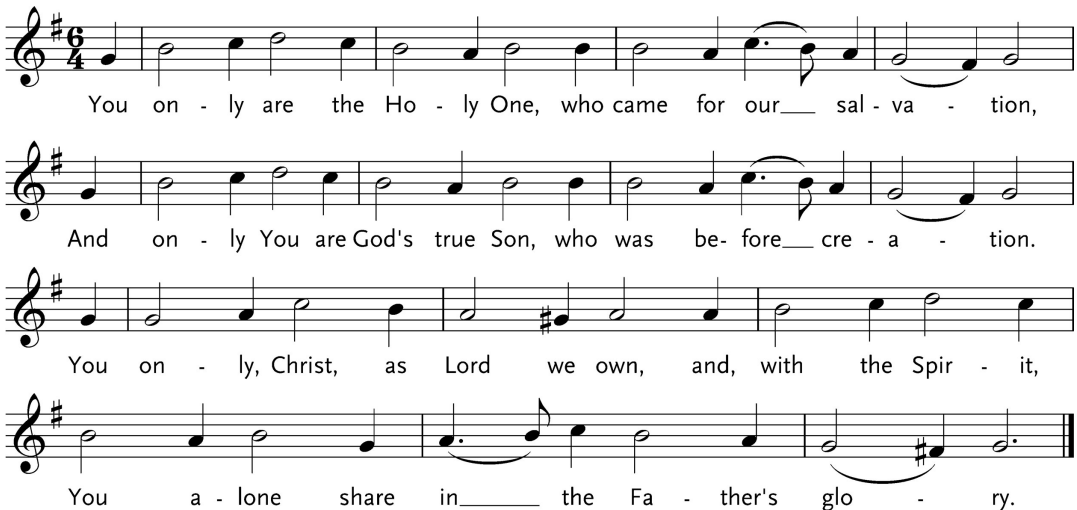
**We believe that God has created the world of space and time
to be the sphere of God's dealings with humankind.**

**In its beauty and vastness,
sublimity and awfulness,
order and disorder,
the world reflects to the eye of faith
the majesty and mystery of its Creator.**

**We believe that God has created us
for personal relationship in which
we may respond to the love of the Creator.**

**Life is a gift to be received with gratitude
and a task to be pursued with courage. Amen.**

* SUNG RESPONSE



You on - ly are the Ho - ly One, who came for our sal - va - tion,
And on - ly You are God's true Son, who was be - fore cre - a - tion.
You on - ly, Christ, as Lord we own, and, with the Spir - it,
You a - lone share in the Fa - ther's glo - ry.

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CALL TO GIVE

The Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike

OFFERTORY SOLO

Die Schöpfung ("The Creation"), Hob. XXI/2:

Nun beut die Flur das frische Frün

("With verdure clad the fields appear") • F.J. Haydn (1732–1809)

Nun beut die Flur das frische Grün

Dem Auge zur Ergotzung dar.

Den aumutsvollen Blick

Erhöht der Blumen sanfter Schmuck.

Hier duften Kräuter Balsam aus,

Hier sproßt den Wunden Heil.

Die Zweige krümmt der goldnen Früchte Last;

Hier wölbt der Hain Rum kühlen Schirme sich,

Den steilen Berg bekrönt ein dichter Wald.

With verdure clad

the fields appear

delightful to the ravish'd sense;

by flowers sweet and gay

enhanced is the charming sight.

Here vent their fumes the fragrant herbs;

here shoots the healing plant.

By load of fruits th' expanded boughs are press'd;

to shady vaults are bent the tufty groves;

the mountain's brow is crown'd with closed wood.

* 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 the
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:



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.



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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 SOLO

Bist du bei mir ("You Are with Me"), BWV 508 • J.S. Bach

*Bist du bei mir, geh ich mit Freuden
Zum Sterben und zu meiner Ruh.*

Be thou with me and I'll go gladly
To death and on to my repose.

*Ach, wie vergnügt wär so mein Ende,
Es drückten deine schönen Hände
Mir die getreuen Augen zu.*

Ah, how my end would bring contentment,
If, pressing with thy hands so lovely,
Thou wouldst my faithful eyes then close.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

* HYMN 772

Live into Hope

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prelude and Fugue in G, BWV 557 • J.S. Bach

The ministry of music this morning is offered by:
Dr. Patrick Kreeger, *Associate Organist* • Hannah Penzner, *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, 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, Henry Waisapy, Bill Wanek Warren White, Suzanne Wilks, Sylvia Winrich, Deborah Wurgler, Doris Wurgler

Faithful Departed:

June 18, 2025: Jeneva Berry, beloved friend of Myra Ford.

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. Livestream. Summer Pastoral Resident Barron Flood, preaching.
- 10:15 am** **Children's Church.** Christian Education Center.
- 11:15 am** **Coffee Hour.** The Rita Arlen Room. 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.
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This Week

- Thu July 10** **Career Directions.** 10 am • Zoom. Visit fapc.org/groups to learn more and to sign up.
- Sat July 12** **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).
- FAYA Long Island City Brewery Crawl.** 2 pm • Fifth Hammer Brewery. Register at fapc.org/brew or [@fapcfaya](https://www.instagram.com/fapcfaya) on Instagram.

Coming Up

- Wed July 16** **The Book of Esther in the Time of Rembrandt – Tour.** 3 pm • The Jewish Museum.
- Thu July 17** **Fifth Avenue Reading Circle.** 7 pm • Zoom. Email adulthood@fapc.org to join.
- Sun July 20** **Water Wonders and Bible Fun.** 10 am • LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center. To learn more, please email familyministries@fapc.org
- Believing & Belonging Membership Class.** 2 pm • Zoom. Register at fapc.org/belong.
- Thu July 24** **Youth: Pizza & Games on the Terrace.** 6 pm • Contact Barron at youth@fapc.org.
- Sat July 26** **Seneca Village Tour.** 2 pm • Central Park. Register at fapc.org/adulthood.
- Sun July 27** **Johnsonburg Overnight Children & Youth Camp.** Join us at Johnsonburg Camp from Sunday, July 27, to Friday, August 1, for an unforgettable week of fun and faith for children entering first through eighth grade. Learn more and register at fapc.org/camp.
- Sun Aug 3** **Let's Go (See the) Mets!** 1:30 pm • Citi Field. Find more information and buy tickets at fapc.org/mets.

Next Sunday • Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

"Fishing in Deep Waters" • Luke 5:1-11

The Rev. Dr. Jonah So, preaching.

NEWS & EVENTS

Save the Dates!

Looking ahead to the fall, please be sure to save these dates in your calendar:

- **Sunday, September 7:** Homecoming Sunday
- **Sunday, September 28:** The Anita and Antonio Gotto Lecture, featuring Shannon Vallor, the Baillie Gifford Professor in the Ethics of Data and Artificial Intelligence at the University of Edinburgh
- **Friday, October 24:** The Kenneth O. Jones Distinguished Service Awards

Saturday, July 12: FAYA Long Island City Brewery Crawl

Whether you're into craft beer or not, we would love for you to join us as we pilgrim around Long Island City in search of the best beers on offer. Join us at 2 pm as we begin the journey at Fifth Hammer Brewing. To learn more and register, visit fapc.org/brew.

Saturday, July 19: FAYA at the Queens Night Market

Take the 7 Line to 111th as our young adults visit one of the most vibrant markets in NYC. There will be food, crafts, and goodies from all over the world. We'll be gathering in the parking lot of the New York Hall of Science. The Night Market is free to attend.

Sunday, July 20: Kids Bible Adventures

All kids in preschool through 5th grade are invited to join us for a splashy summer morning filled with fun games, creative crafts, lively music, and Bible stories that dive into God's love through the theme of water. We'll wrap up the day with a delicious pizza lunch and plenty of laughter along the way! Parents—attend worship at 10 am and then head to brunch or a walk in the park before picking up your child! To learn more and register, please visit fapc.org/bible.

Sunday, July 20: Believing & Belonging

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.

Saturday, July 26: Seneca Village Tour

This summer, continue our journey of learning and justice with a walking tour of Seneca Village—the largest community of free African-American property owners in pre-Civil War New York. On Saturday, July 26 at 2 pm, we'll explore this historic site in Central Park and learn how Black New Yorkers created refuge and community in the face of racial discrimination, only to be displaced for the creation of the park. Optional dinner together afterward. Tour is 90 minutes. Space is limited. Register at fapc.org/adulted.

Sunday, August 3: Let's Go (See the) Mets!

Join us at 1:30 pm for a fun-filled afternoon at Citi Field after worship! We'll cheer on the New York Mets against the San Francisco Giants. It's a great chance to enjoy summer baseball and connect with other families and friends from the church! Tickets are \$48 in section 502, under the overhang to keep us out of the sun! Find more information and buy tickets at fapc.org/mets.

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 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 womensministry@fapc.org or visit fapc.org/women.

OFFICERS BY CLASS

The Session

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, *Moderator* • The Rev. Dr. Jonah So, *Executive Pastor*
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The Rev. Chris Palmer, *Associate Pastor* • Dennis Bushe, *Clerk of Session*
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CLERGY & STAFF



The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston *Senior Pastor*



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The Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike *Associate Pastor for Ministry to the Online Campus*



The Rev. Chris Palmer *Transitional Associate Pastor for Young Adults & Membership*

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Sunday, July 20 • 2 pm

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8 am – 12 pm



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