

Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church

PLEDGE SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 23, 2025 • 11:00 AM



James B. Janknegt, *Treasure Field #3*, 2001

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! 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. Sunday School for pre-K through fifth grade follows the Litany of Parting during the 11 am worship service.

➔ 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

Sinfonia from *Nun danket alle Gott*
("Now Thank We All Our God"), BWV 79
J.S. Bach (1685–1750)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

*Jeff Rowbottom,
2026 Pledge Campaign Co-Chair*

from *Psalms* 100

One: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

All: Worship the Lord with gladness.

One: Come into God's presence with singing!

All: For the Lord is a gracious God,

One: whose mercy is everlasting;

All: and whose faithfulness endures to all generations.

One: Let us worship Almighty God, tender and just.

* HYMN 367

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

* CALL TO CONFESSION

The Rev. Werner Ramirez

* 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.)

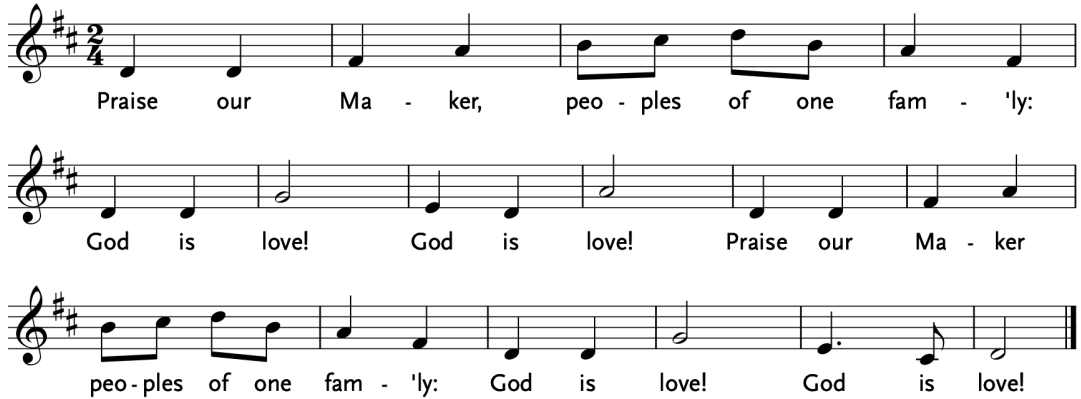
Take, O take me as I am; sum - mon out what I shall

be; set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.

Music: John L. Bell, 1995. Text: John L. Bell and Graham Maule, 1995.
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* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* RESPONSE OF PRAISE



Music: E. Rawdon Bailey (1859–1938). Text: Church and School Hymnal, 1926; adapt. RGH.

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

ANTHEM

*The Combined Choirs
 of Fifth Avenue*

God is Here • *Joel Raney (b.1956)*

Text: Fred Pratt Green and Joel Raney

God is here! as we your people meet to offer praise and prayer,
 May we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share.
 Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts
 Wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.

God is here in the songs we sing,
 God is here in the love we bring,
 In the stillness, in the silence,
 God is here!

Here our children find a welcome in the shepherd's flock and fold;
 Here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old.
 Here the servants of the servant seek in worship to explore
 What it is in daily living to believe and to adore.

God is here in the morning light,
 God is here in the dark of night,
 In the stillness, in the silence,
 God is here!

Here, in this day's dedication,
 All we have to give, receive;
 We, who cannot live without you,
 We adore you! We believe!
 God is here!

*Children (pre-K through fifth 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.*

LITANY OF PARTING

All: **May God be with you there.**
Children: **May God be with you here.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Rev. Dr. Jonah So

MOMENT FOR COMMITMENT *Jeff Rowbottom, 2026 Pledge Campaign Co-Chair*

ANTHEM

Hymn to the Eternal Flame • *Stephen Paulus (1949–2014)*

Text: Michael Dennis Browne (b. 1940)

Every face is in you, every voice, every sorrow in you,
Every pity, every love, every memory,
Woven into fire.

Every breath is in you, every cry, every longing in you,
Every singing, every hope, every healing,
Woven into fire.

Every heart is in you, every tongue, every trembling in you,
Every blessing, every soul, every shining,
Woven into fire.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 13:44

The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and reburied; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

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

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston

“Buy the Farm”

* RESPONSE IN FAITH

from Philippians 4:6-7

**Let us not be anxious about anything,
but in everything
by prayer and supplication
with thanksgiving
let our requests be made known to God.
And the peace of God
which surpasses all understanding,
will guard our hearts and our minds in Christ Jesus. Amen.**

* HYMN 708

We Give Thee but Thine Own

ACT OF COMMITMENT
The Rev. Chris Palmer

Congregants with pledge cards are asked to come forward using the center aisle. Please place your cards in the baskets. If you are unable to come forward, please place your pledge card in the offering plate during the collection.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing
Traditional, arr. Mack Wilberg (b. 1955)
Text by Robert Robinson (1735–1790)

Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing,
Tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of thy redeeming love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer,
Hither by thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.
Prone to wander Lord, I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it for thy courts above.

Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wand'ring from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed his precious blood.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it for thy courts above.

O, to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,
Bind my wand'ring heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it for thy courts above.

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- * 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.**
- * PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING
The Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike
- * THE LORD’S PRAYER **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
 and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.
Amen.**
- * HYMN 643 **Now Thank We All Our God**
- * BENEDICTION
Please remain in your pew until the conclusion of the Choral Response.
- * CHORAL RESPONSE May God Who Creates You • *Louise Skibsted*
May God who creates you give you light;
May God who sustains you make you wise;
May God who protects you give you joy;
May God who surrounds you give you peace.
- POSTLUDE *Nun danket alle Gott*
 (“Now Thank We All Our God”)
 Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877–1933)
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The ministry of music this morning is offered by:
The Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church Choir & Community Choir
Dr. Ryan Jackson, *William S. Perper Director of Music and Fine Arts Ministries*
Dr. Patrick Kreeger, *Associate Organist* • Rachel Mikol, *Soprano*
Children’s and Youth Choir
Dr. Eugenia Oi Yan Yau, *Director* • Shanade Hernandez, *Assistant Director*
Pablo Molano, *Pianist*

The Paschal Candle

Christ the King Sunday marks the end of the liturgical season that follows Pentecost. Today we focus on the victory of the crucified and risen Christ. We look back to Easter and forward to the coming of Christ.

On Easter Sunday, we lit the Paschal Candle to represent the new light of the Resurrection, which banishes the death and darkness of Good Friday. Today we will remove the Paschal Candle from the Sanctuary.

With this act, we recognize that we remain imperfect people in an imperfect world. We acknowledge that God's work is not yet done. And we prepare for the season of Advent, during which we will wait once again for the coming of Christ.

Music

Composer Stephen Paulus is widely recognized as one of the great American choral composers in recent history. His choral works have been performed and recorded by some of the most distinguished choruses in the United States. He is one of the most frequently recorded contemporary composers, with more than fifty recordings to his credit. *Hymn to the Eternal Flame*, the anthem this morning, is an excerpt from a larger oratorio entitled *To Be Certain of the Dawn*. The piece was commissioned and composed to commemorate the sixtieth anniversary of the liberation of the Nazi death camps. The text, by Michael Dennis Browne, is a beautiful hymn celebrating the sacred nature of life and experience as it is fully contained in each one of us.

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, 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, Jeanne Lehman French David Getz, 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 Violet Lorenzen, Mary Lowry, Lauren Ma, The McCall Family, Octavia McLaren, Epifania Mercado Ryan Moloughney, Gerry Nagy, Joyce Nolen, Frank Owarish, Emmett Raitt, Dexter Ramcharan Debbie Rogers, Ramon Rosa, Norma Santos, Robert Scheuer, Taylor Shultz, Monica Smith Spencer Robert Smith, Willie Gerald Smith, Frieda Sompotan, Neva Strom, Rocco Tannehill Harold Tither, Susan Tobiason, Henny Waisapy, John Weisel, Warren White, Suzanne Wilks Sylvia Winrich, Deborah Wurgler

Faithful Departed:

November 12, 2025: Bill Wanek, beloved member of Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, beloved father of Jennifer Campana, and beloved grandfather of Christopher, Olivia, Nicholas, Alexander Campana.

November 18, 2025: Beatrice Wolfe, beloved member of Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church and beloved friend of Janeen Sarlin.

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

Chapel Church. Jones Auditorium.

Little Lambs Nursery & Sunday School. LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.

10:15 am

Children's Choir. LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.

11 am

Worship. Sanctuary & Livestream.

Little Lambs Nursery, Sunday School & Youth. LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.

12:15 pm

Coffee Hour. Bonnell Hall. 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.

7 pm

Faith & AI: Where Do We Go from Here? Zoom. To register and learn more, go to fapc.org/ai.

Coming Up

Tue Nov 25

Weekly Word Bible Study. 12 pm • Zoom. For more information, please email community@fapc.org. To register, visit fapc.org/community.

Thu Nov 27

Meals on Heels. 8 am • Bonnell Hall. Volunteers prepare and deliver a Thanksgiving feast to homebound neighbors and others in need. Sign up is required. Contact John Wyatt (moh@fapc.org).

**Thu Nov 27
& Fri Nov 28**

Thanksgiving Holiday. In observance of Thanksgiving, the church offices are closed Thursday, Nov. 27 and Friday, Nov. 28.

Sat Nov 29

Meals on Heels. 8:30 am • Bonnell Hall. Contact: John Wyatt (moh@fapc.org).

Sun Nov 30

Family Ministries Advent Festival. 11 am • Christian Education Center.

**Fri Dec 5
& Sat Dec 6**

Handel's Messiah. 7 pm • Sanctuary & Livestream. Join the Fifth Avenue Chamber Choir for a stunning performance of Handel's *Messiah*. Get tickets at fapc.org/tickets.

Sun Dec 7

The Joe Vedella Holiday Dinner. 2 pm • Bonnell Hall. Volunteers are needed following worship until 4 pm to host our annual holiday feast with our homeless neighbors. Register at fapc.org/serve.

Christmas at the Cloisters. 2 pm • The Cloisters Museum. Join us for a magical experience this Advent season! Register at fapc.org/adulted.

Next Sunday • First Sunday of Advent

"When Gabriel Knocks" • Luke 1:5-19

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, preaching.

NEWS & EVENTS

Today: Faith & AI: Where Do We Go From Here?

Join Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike and Jaime Staehle for a closing conversation on our Faith & AI series. We'll reflect on the questions raised throughout the series—from how AI mirrors cultural hopes and fears to what theology says about power, justice, and human dignity in a technological age. Whether you attended one session or all, this is a space to share insights, ask questions, and imagine faithful ways forward. Register at fapc.org/ai and join us at 7 pm. All are welcome!

This Month: The Christmas Angel Tree Project

The Christmas Angel Tree Project, the popular holiday program sponsored by the Deacons of Fifth Avenue, is underway throughout November. The Deacons have created an online gift registry where you can purchase holiday gifts that will be distributed to children and youth in need. This year the Christmas Angel Tree Project will provide gifts for children and youth connected with mission partner Garden of Hope, to children worshipping with First Spanish Presbyterian Church in Brooklyn, and for children temporarily living in city homeless shelters. To learn more and register to make a child's Christmas bright, please visit fapc.org/angel.

Thursday, November 27: Meals on Heels Thanksgiving

The Meals on Heels ministry will work a special holiday shift on Thanksgiving morning. If you are available to help prepare a traditional Thanksgiving feast for our homebound neighbors, join us in Bonnell Hall at 8:00 am. If you can help with neighborhood deliveries, we'll need you at 11 am. We will be doing our usual Saturday morning cooking and delivery on Nov. 29 as well, and we can use your help! Sign up is required. Contact John Wyatt (moh@fapc.org).

Sunday, November 30: Family Ministries Advent Festival

Join us as we kick off the season together on this first Sunday of Advent! We'll have brunch, crafts, games, and even a little Christmas caroling—it's a great way to slow down and step into the season. To participate, please register at fapc.org/festival.

Sunday, November 30: Advent Groups

Coming to a neighborhood near you! Beginning the week of November 30, Advent study groups will meet at various times and dates around the city, in the church, and online. Together we will use a common curriculum built from our Advent sermon series. Sign ups are now open and space in each group is limited. Visit fapc.org/advent to register.

Friday, December 5, and Saturday, December 6: Handel's *Messiah*

Join the Fifth Avenue Chamber Choir and Orchestra for one of New York's most beloved holiday traditions: Handel's *Messiah*. Performed by New York's finest soloists and musicians, *Messiah* offers a moment of reflection, joy, and renewal at the start of the Christmas season. Learn more and get your tickets for livestream or in person at fapc.org/tickets. At 5:30 pm on Saturday, December 6, enjoy a wine and cheese reception before the performance. Tickets to Saturday's reception are \$10 and may be purchased during checkout at fapc.org/tickets.

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) we offer Sunday School for Pre-K through second grade at 9:30 am and Pre-K through fifth grade following the Litany of Parting during the 11 am worship service. 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. Visit fapc.org/family to learn more, or 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	Green City Force
Church of Gethsemane	Hands Along the Nile
Church of Jesus Christ in Madagascar	Development Services
The Farminary Project	Holmes Camp and Retreat Center
Frontera de Cristo	Ministry of Hope Lesotho
Garden of Hope	Parity
Good Samaritan Project	PC(USA) Global Liaisons Cobbie and Dessa Palm
of First Spanish Presbyterian Church	Urban Outreach Center NYC

To learn more, visit fapc.org/outreach, or contact Ruben Nuño, director of the Ecumenical Outreach Partnership (212.247.0490 ext 3038, 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.

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The Session

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Join the church

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Prepare for baptism

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Add a name to the prayer list • Natalie Wardius, congregationalcare@fapc.org

Fund the altar flowers • Natalie Wardius, congregationalcare@fapc.org

Hire our caterer • Rodrigo Rosas, rodrigo@roxoevents.com

Notify us of a death or illness • Natalie Wardius, congregationalcare@fapc.org

Request a bulletin announcement • Sean McAvoy, fapc@fapc.org

Update contact information in our database • update@fapc.org

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**This congregation has pledged
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We are over 57% towards
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**Thursday, November 27, and Friday, November 28, the church offices
will be closed in observance of Thanksgiving.**

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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