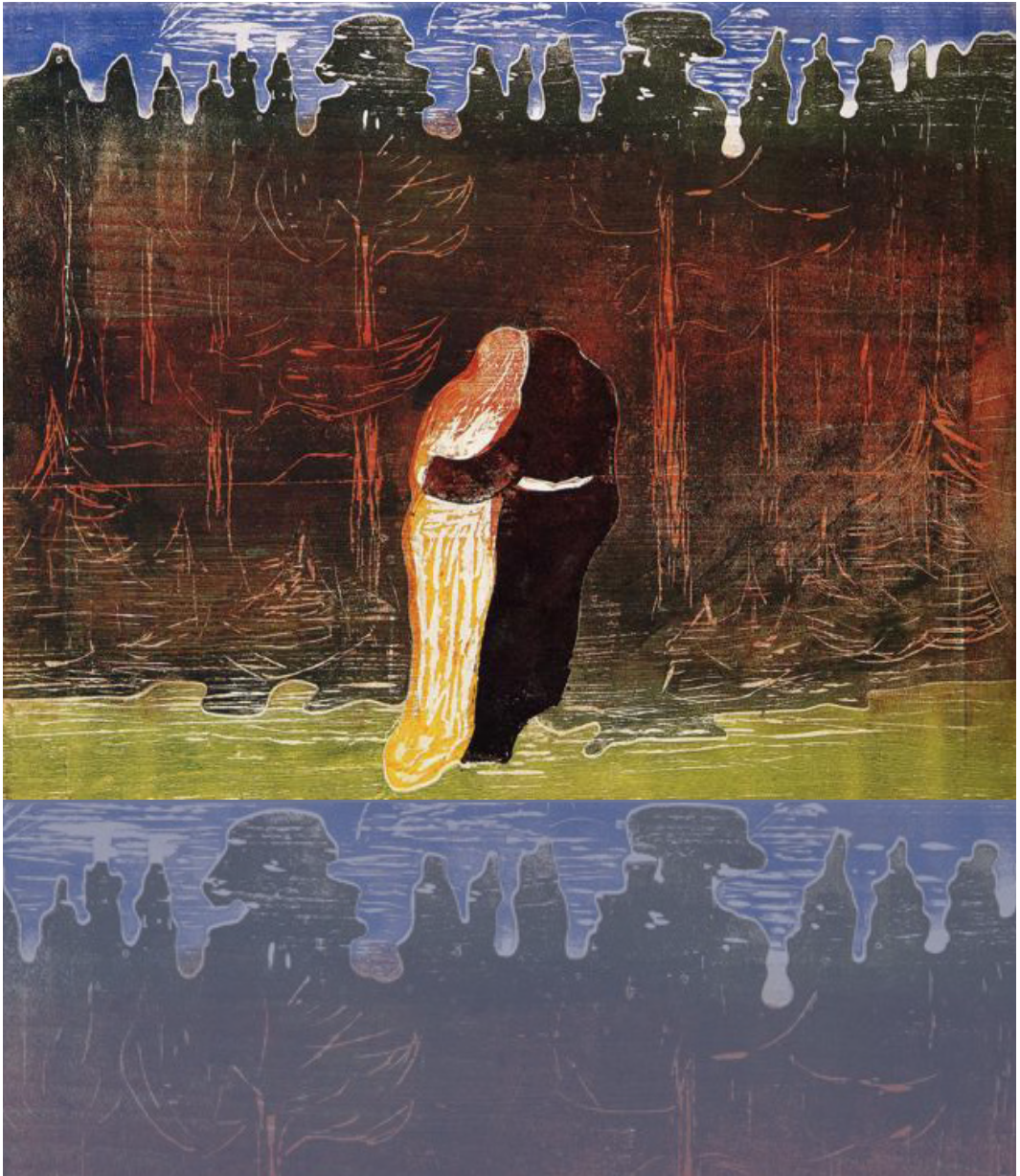




Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 5, 2024 • 11:00 AM



Edvard Munch, *Towards the Forest II*, 1915

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. There is Sunday school for children in preschool through 5th grade at 9:30 am and Children’s Church for children in preschool through 2nd grade at 11:15 am.

➔ Worship Resources Online

A replay of today’s service will be available this afternoon at fapc.org/playback. This morning’s Prayers of the People can be found at fapc.org/pray. Details about the upcoming service each week can be found at fapc.org/this-sunday. For information about future worship services, visit fapc.org/worship.

➔ Parking

We have a parking arrangement with the garage at 51 W. 56th St. For \$16, you may park for up to three hours, seven days a week. Please provide your mobile phone number or an email address to the staff person at the 55th Street reception desk. You will receive a QR code to use at the garage. (The garage no longer provides physical validation stickers.)

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

Symphonie Gothique, op. 70: II. *Andante Sostenuto*
Charles-Marie Widor (1844–1937)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Elder Martha Van Hise

One: What shall we return to the Lord
for all the good things God has done?

All: We will lift the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the Lord.

One: Let us worship God!

* HYMN

O God beyond All Praising

1 O God be - yond all prais - ing, we wor - ship you to - day
2 The flow'r of earth - ly splen - dor in time must sure - ly die,
3 Then, hear O gra - cious Sav - ior, this song of praise we sing.

and sing the love a - maz - ing that songs can - not re - pay;
its frag - ile bloom sur - ren - der to you our God most high;
May we, who know your fa - vor, our hum - ble ser - vice bring;

for we can on - ly won - der at ev - 'ry give you send,
but hid - den from all na - ture the e - ter - nal seed is sown,
and wheth - er our to - mor - rows be filled with good or ill,

at bless - ings with - out num - ber and mer - cies with - out end:
though small in mor - tal stat - ure, to heav - en's gar - den grown:
we'll tri - umph through our sor - rows and rise to bless you still:

we lift our hearts be - fore you and wait up - on your word,
for Christ, your gift from heav - en, from death has set us free,
to mar - vel at your beau - ty and glo - ry in your ways,

we hon - or and a - dore you, our great and might - y Lord.
and we through him are giv - en the fi - nal vic - to - ry.
and make a joy - ful du - ty our sac - ri - fice of praise.

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* CALL TO CONFESSION

The Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike

**Please rise in body or in spirit.*

* 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

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.

Music: Trier ms., 15th century; adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1609 - PUER NOBIS NASCITUR.
Text: Latin hymn, 15th century; trans. John Mason Neale, 1852.

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Eas - ter peo - ple, raise your voic - es, sounds of heaven in earth should ring.
Christ has brought us heav - en's choic - es; heav - en - ly mu - sic let it ring.
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Eas - ter peo - ple, let us sing.

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* PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

*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.*

LITANY OF PARTING

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Rev. Sarah A. Speed

ANTHEM

If Ye Love Me • *Thomas Tallis (1505–1585)*
Text from John 14:15-17

If ye love me, keep my commandments,
And I will pray the Father,
And He shall give you another Comforter,
That He may abide with you forever,
Ev'n the Spirit of truth.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 15:9-17

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

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

SERMON

"On Dwelling"

The Rev. Taylor Lewis Guthrie Hartman

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from A Brief Statement of Faith, Presbyterian Church (USA)

**In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"
With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Amen.**

* SONG RESPONSE

Ev - ery day to us is Eas - ter, with its res - ur - rec - tion song.
 When in trou - ble move the fast - er to our God who rights the wrong.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! See the power of heaven - ly throngs.

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CALL TO GIVE

The Rev. Dr. Jonah So

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Greater Love Hath No Man • *John Ireland (1879–1962)*

Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it.
 Love is strong as death.
 Greater love hath no man than this,
 That a man lay down his life for his friends.
 Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree,
 That we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness.
 Ye are washed, ye are sanctified,
 Ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus.
 Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation;
 That ye should show forth the praises of him
 Who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.
 I beseech you brethren, by the mercies of God,
 That you present your bodies, a living sacrifice, holy,
 Acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

* 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.

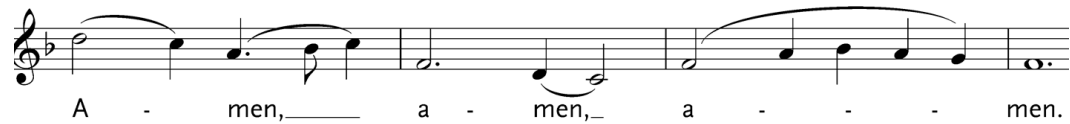
Holy God, we praise you.
 Let the heavens be joyful, and the earth be glad.
 We bless you for creating the whole world, for your promises to your people Israel,
 and for Jesus Christ, in whom your fullness dwells.

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:

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.



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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

Draw Us In the Spirit's Tether • *Harold W. Friedell (1905–1958)*
Text by *Percy Dearmer (1867–1936)*

Draw us in the Spirit's tether;
For when humbly, in thy name, two or three are met together,
Thou art in the midst of them: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Touch we now thy garment's hem.

As disciples used to gather in the name of Christ to sup,
Then with thanks to God, Creator,
Break the bread and bless the cup, Alleluia! Alleluia!
So knit thou our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of thee,
That by caring, helping, giving, we may true disciples be.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
We will serve thee faithfully.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

* HYMN 366

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

* BENEDICTION

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

* CHORAL RESPONSE

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies • *Keith Bissell (1912–1992)*
Text by *Charles Wesley (1707–1788)*

Christ, whose glory fills the skies,
Christ, the true, the only Light,
Sun of righteousness, arise,
Triumph o'er the shades of night;
Dayspring from on high, be near;
Daystar, in my heart appear.

POSTLUDE

Fifteen Antiphons: V. *How Fair and Pleasant Art Thou*
Marcel Dupré (1886–1971)

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*
Claire Myers-McCormick, *Soprano* • Christopher Seefeldt, *Bass* • Ethan Chow, *Guest Organist*

WORSHIP NOTES

The composer of the anthem this morning, Thomas Tallis (1505–1585), figures prominently in the history of English church music and is widely considered to be one of England's greatest early composers. Tallis could switch the style of his compositions to suit different monarchs' demands. During the reign of King Edward VI (1547–1553) it was mandated that all services be sung in English (as opposed to the traditional Latin) and that the choral music be brief and succinct, "to each syllable a plain and distinct note" so as to be easily understood. If Ye Love Me is an elegant example of this new style of English anthem: featuring a clear setting of the text and restrained emotion, the piece remains incredibly expressive and distinctly the voice of Tallis.

The offertory anthem this morning is John Ireland's most enduring work for the church, and one of the cornerstones of the great English choral tradition: *Greater Love Hath No Man*. Composed in 1912, the text of this Edwardian anthem is a collage of scriptural excerpts assembled by the composer himself. Ireland's choice of New Testament texts, which speak of self-giving sacrifice, has traditionally made this anthem a popular selection for services of remembrance. When considered through the lens of this morning's reading, however, the text of this masterpiece takes on even broader implications: at every moment we can choose to lay ourselves down—our concepts, beliefs, opinions, and prejudices—in favor of the radically unconditional and sacrificial love modeled for us by Jesus.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Please pray for:

Ann Alexander, Pat Backus, Indie and Algernon John Baptiste, Patricia Blair, Neta Beberino
Helen Betzaia, Becky Bjornstad, Benjamin Bradley, Britta Cabanos, Pastor Toribio Cajiua
Ella Calderon, Denise Campbell, Nina S. Campbell, Phoebe Chiu, Sookjoong Choi, Anne Coffey
Dr. Johanna Cook, Eugenia Connerat, Edna Craddock, William Cuffee, Athanassia Doucas
Sherian Edgreen, David Elissa and Barbara Mitchell, Michael Elissa, Narmella Elissa, Sohn Fong
Irene P. Gilman, Anthea and Neville Graham, Florence Hall, Torian Hall, Wanda Roush Hannan
Peter S. Hawkins, Christopher Henderson, Donna Marie Henderson, Maggie Hendrix, Emi Iwaida
Juliet Kaldanie, Frederick Loomis, Louis Sterling King, Ceciwa Khonje, Janet Lamberth
Richard J. Lawson, Mary Lowry, Lauren Ma, The McCall Family, Lynn and Gerry Nagy
Frank Owarish, Dexter Ramcharan, Don Rogers, Ramon Rosa, Pauline Sample, Robert Scheuer
Nancy Seelig, Tshombe Selby, Taylor Shultz, Bonnie Smith, Monica Smith, Spencer Robert Smith
Willie Gerald Smith, Phillip Snyman, Frieda Sompotan, Neva Strom, Rocco Tannehill, Harold Tither
Susan Tobiason, Henny Waisapy, Bill Wanek, Warren White, Suzanne Wilks, Sylvia Winrich
Deborah Wurgler, Doris Wurgler, Priscilla Young-Rodgers, Wayne Zhou

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, Sunday School, and Youth Group.** LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.
- Children's Choir.** Jones Auditorium.
- 11 am** **Worship.** Sanctuary & Livestream.
- 11:15 am** **Children's Church.** LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.
- 12 pm** **Coffee Hour.** Bonnell Hall and online.
- HANDS Along the Nile Crafts of Cairo Sale.** Bonnell Hall.
- Tour the Church.** Meet at the rear of the Sanctuary following worship.
- 12:30 pm** **New Member Social.** Weber Terrace. For members who have joined in the last year and those considering membership
- 1 pm** **Children's Spring Concert.** Jones Auditorium.

This Week

- Wed May 8** **Community Choir.** 6 pm • Jones Auditorium. All voices are welcome!
- FAYA Midweek.** 6:30 pm • The Living Room. Weekly gathering with the Fifth Avenue Young Adults! Email youngadults@fapc.org to join.
- Asian American Bible Study.** 6:30 pm • 6th floor conference room & Zoom.
- Thu May 9** **Career Directions.** 10 am • Zoom. A weekly online gathering for job seekers or anyone seeking career guidance. Contact Ashley Gonzalez-Grissom (membership@fapc.org) for the link.
- Sat May 11** **Meals on Heels.** 8:30 am • Bonnell Hall. Volunteers prepare and deliver meals to homebound neighbors. New volunteers are welcome and needed! Contact: John Wyatt (moh@fapc.org).
- Fri May 17–Sun May 19** **Beyond the Walls Weekend.** A weekend gathering in New York of members and friends from outside the city. Visit fapc.org/beyond to learn more.
- Sun May 19** **Family Ministries Picnic.** 1 pm • Central Park Sheep Meadow. All families are invited to join us for a fun picnic in the park. Bring a blanket and a picnic lunch. Register at fapc.org/family-events.
- Organ Recital by Ryan Jackson.** 1 pm • Sanctuary. Dr. Ryan Jackson presents a selection of music on our beautiful Mighty Austin organ. Free and open to all!
- Sun May 26** **Worship.** 10 am • Sanctuary and livestream. Our summer worship schedule begins
- Mon May 27** **Memorial Day holiday.** Building closed.

Next Sunday · Seventh Sunday of Easter

“Purple Hearts” • Acts 16:9-16

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, preaching.

NEWS & EVENTS

Welcome Rev. Taylor Lewis Guthrie Hartman!

We are delighted to welcome the Rev. Taylor Lewis Guthrie Hartman to Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church today. Taylor is the Pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Statesboro, Georgia. She has served in churches and ministries in Louisville, Boston, and Durham; taught special education at PS 40 in Brooklyn; and has been in a staff, volunteer, or leadership role at Montreat Conference Center (almost) every year since 2002. A graduate of Harvard Divinity School and Washington University in St Louis, Taylor will graduate with her Doctorate in Ministry in Creative Writing and Public Theology from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary later this month. She shares her life with her artist and educator husband and their wily kids.

TODAY: New Member Social

Have you joined Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church in the last year? Are you thinking about becoming a member? Connect with other new members and the staff of Fifth Avenue over tacos and refreshments! Join us at 12:30 pm on the Weber Terrace (we will move to Corning Logan in the case of inclement weather). It will be better with you there! RSVP at fapc.org/engage.

TODAY: Children's Spring Concert

All are invited to our Annual Children's Spring Concert today following Coffee Hour at 1pm in Jones Auditorium. The children of our congregation are excited to share with you their instrumental music, singing, and maybe even some additional talents! Prepare to be delightfully surprised and thoroughly charmed.

Friday, May 17 – Sunday, May 19: Beyond the Walls Weekend

Launched in 2023, Beyond the Walls is a weekend gathering in New York of members and farflung friends from outside the city. It is an opportunity for our “extended family” to get to know Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church up close. This year offers even more opportunities to foster connections, engage in community service, and join in worship together. You can learn more and, if you are a hybrid member, register at fapc.org/beyond.

Sunday, May 19: Journeying with Our Mission Partner, Ministry of Hope Lesotho

Ministry of Hope Lesotho, in southern Africa, is home to children who are orphaned and vulnerable. Co-Founded by Mamonyane Mohale, a public health nurse, and Nancy Dimmock, a former mission co-worker in Lesotho, Malawi, and Zambia with the Presbyterian Church (USA), this organization attends to the needs of infants, children, and youth. Today, Ministry of Hope continues to meet the developmental needs of these children; supports family reunification and adoption; and provides ongoing care and support to adulthood. Join us as we speak with Mamonyane Mohale, Executive Director of Ministry of Hope, and Sally Harwood, a Fifth Avenue congregant and Mission Partner liaison to Ministry of Hope, on the importance of this work to the children. Register at fapc.org/outreach-events.

Sunday, May 19: Family Ministries Picnic

All families are invited to join us for a fun picnic in the park on Sunday, May 19, at 1pm. Bring a blanket and a picnic lunch and meet us on the lower east side of the Sheep Meadow near the big tree. Please register at fapc.org/family-events so we can keep you posted about any weather changes!

GETTING CONNECTED

Adult Education

Each spring and fall, we offer courses in theology and Scripture, spirituality, social issues and other disciplines. The curriculum includes visiting authors, interfaith dialogue and other events. 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

Want stronger relationships? Community groups make that possible. 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 contact Ashley Gonzalez-Grissom, director of engagement (membership@fapc.org).

Congregational Care

If you (or others you know in our congregation) are going through a difficult time, we are here for you. We have a team of dedicated staff and volunteers who are available for counseling, home and hospital visits, medical escorts and prayer. You may also visit fapc.org/care to submit a prayer request and learn more about our Congregational Care program.

Family Ministries

Family Ministries brings together families from diverse backgrounds to nurture healthy children and strong, faithful families. Our Little Lambs nursery for infants and toddlers is available every Sunday from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. Sunday School and Youth Group take place at 9:30 am during the program year (September through May). Children depart the 11 am worship service to attend Children's Church every Sunday (except for our summer break, from June 25 until Homecoming). We also sponsor special events for families and kids throughout the year. Learn more and register your child 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, led by the Rev. Sarah Speed. 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). Or contact Sarah (youngadults@fapc.org). We'd love to get to know you!

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 to register, or contact Ashley Gonzalez-Grissom, director of engagement (212.247.0490 ext 3005, membership@fapc.org).

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 the Rev. Sarah A. Speed at 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*
 The Rev. Werner Ramirez, *Associate Pastor* • The Rev. Sarah Speed, *Associate Pastor*
 John Wyatt, *Clerk of Session* • Meg Sheehan, *Assistant Clerk of Session*

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Sam Griggs	Janeen A. Sarlin	Brian McLendon
Claire Kedeshian	Meg Sheehan	Louisa Raitt
John Kern	Sylvia Winrich	Martha Van Hise
William Stone		
John Wyatt		

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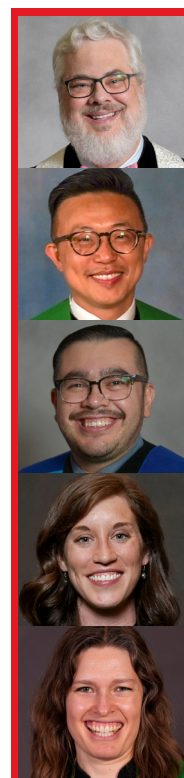
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Coming up in May

- **Sunday, May 12:** Last Chapel Church worship service before we break for summer.
- **Friday, May 17 – May 19:** Beyond the Walls Weekend
- **Sunday, May 19**
 - Pentecost worship service at 11 am: Ordination and Installation of Officers. *Please note that this is the day's only service.*
 - Family Ministries Picnic, 1 pm, Sheep Meadow, Central Park. Register at fapc.org/picnic.
 - Ryan Jackson Organ Recital, 1 pm in the Sanctuary.
- **Sunday, May 26:** Summer worship begins at 10 am.

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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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