



Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church

MAUNDY THURSDAY
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Rev. Lisle Gwynn Garrity, *You, Too, Must*, 2021

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, 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 tons 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

Welcome

We’d love to connect! Please scan the QR code or fill out a Connect Card that you will find in your pew. You can fill it out online, or place the card into an offering plate, hand it to an usher, or drop it off at the Welcome Table (inside the Fifth Avenue entrance.) The folks at the Welcome Table can provide you with information about our ministries and programs. Our Sanctuary Doors open at 10 am every Sunday.

These May Help During the Service

If you would like a large-print bulletin please ask an usher.

Welcoming Children

Children are always welcome in worship! Families are welcome to sit anywhere in the Sanctuary, but you may want to take advantage of the first 10 rows on the far north side, which we have equipped for families with young children. You will find children’s Bibles and children’s worship bulletins in the pews, as well as easy access to our Family Room, located just outside the Sanctuary. We also provide childcare for infants and toddlers from 9 am until 12:30 pm in the LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center. Learn more about our Family Ministries at fapc.org.

Worship Resources Online

Head to fapc.org for information about future worship services. Our weekly video service, Light, Leaven & Salt, is available throughout the week at fapc.org/worship. This morning’s Prayers of the People can be found at fapc.org/pray.

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. Ask for discount coupons at the 55th Street reception desk.

In response to Covid-19, Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church recommends that **all in-person worshippers be fully vaccinated and boosted. If you are experiencing cold or flu symptoms, we ask you to “love your neighbors” by staying at home and worshipping via Livestream.**



We provide mask-required and mask-optional areas in our Sanctuary. Please ask an usher if you have any questions.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

*As the Prelude begins, we invite you into a period of quiet reflection as we begin our preparation for worship.
Please **silence all electronic devices** and do not take flash photos during the service.*

PRELUDE

Adagio for Strings • *Samuel Barber (1910–1981)*
arr. William Strickland (1914–1991)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Elder Andy Craven

One: This is the day that Christ, the Lamb of God,
gave himself into the hands
of those who would slay him.

**All: This is the day that Christ gathered
with disciples in the upper room.**

One: This is the day that Christ took a towel
and washed the disciples’ feet.

**All: This is the day that Christ our God
gave us this holy feast,
that we who eat this bread
and drink this cup
may here proclaim his holy sacrifice
and be partakers of his resurrection
and at the last day
may reign with him in heaven.**

One: Let us worship God.

* HYMN 202

An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare

* CALL TO CONFESSION

The Rev. Werner Ramirez

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Eternal God,
whose covenant with us is never broken,
we confess that we fail to fulfill your will.
Though you have bound yourself to us,
we will not bind ourselves to you.
In Jesus Christ, you serve us freely,
but we refuse your love
and withhold ourselves from others.**

**We do not love you fully
or love one another as you command.
In your mercy, forgive and cleanse us.
Lead us once again to your table, and unite us to Christ,
who is the bread of life
and the vine from which we grow in grace.**

Silent Reflection and Confession

* SUNG RESPONSE

O Lamb of God most ho - ly! Who on the cross did suf - fer,
 And pa - tient still and low - ly, Your - self to scorn did of - fer;
 Our sins by You were tak - en, Or hope had us for - sak - en:
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus!

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* RESPONSE OF PRAISE

What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
 What won - drous love is this, O my soul,
 What won-drous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
 To bear the heav - y cross for my soul, for my soul,
 To bear the heav - y cross for my soul!

Music: Walker's *Southern Harmony*, 1835 - WONDROUS LOVE. Text: American folk hymn, c. 1811.

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

WELCOME

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston

ANTHEM

Ubi caritas • Maurice Duruflé (1902–1986)

<i>Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.</i>	Where charity and love are, God is there.
<i>Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.</i>	Christ's love has gathered us into one.
<i>Exultemus, et in ipso jucundemur.</i>	Let us rejoice and be pleased in him.
<i>Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.</i>	Let us fear, and let us love the living God.
<i>Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.</i>	And may we love each other with a sincere heart.
<i>Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.</i>	Where charity and love are, God is there.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 13:1-9, 12-15, 33-35

Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

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

All: Thanks be to God.

HOMILY

The Rev. Sarah A. Speed

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Adapted from *John 13:34*

“One Last Time”
 On this day Christ gathered with his disciples.
 And Jesus said: I give you a new commandment,
 that you love one another.
 Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.
 Amen.

* SUNG RESPONSE

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.
 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joy - ful be,
 And through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
 And through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on!

REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

CALL TO GIVE

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Lass dich nur nichts nicht dauren
 ("Let Nothing Ever Grieve Thee")
Johannes Brahms (1833–1897)

Laß dich nur nichts nicht dauren mit Trauren, Do not be sorrowful or regretful;
sei stille, wie Gott es fügt, Be calm, as God has ordained,
so sei vergnügt mein Wille! and thus my will shall be content.

Was willst du heute sorgen auf morgen? What do you want to worry about from day to day?
Der Eine steht allem für, There is One who stands above all
der gibt auch dir das Deine. who gives you, too, what is yours.

Sei nur in allem Handel ohn Wandel, Only be steadfast in all you do,
steh feste, was Gott beschleußt, stand firm; what God has decided,
das ist und heißt das Beste. Amen. that is and must be the best. Amen.

* DOXOLOGY

Hymn 606

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Rev. Dr. Jonah So

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

The Communion

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks

Herbert Howells; Text: Psalm 42:1-3

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks,

So longeth my soul after thee, O God.

My soul is athirst for God,

Yea, even for the living God.

When shall I come to appear before the presence of God?

My tears have been my meat day and night,

While they daily say unto me,

Where, where is now thy God?

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

* HYMN 209

My Song Is Love Unknown

TENEBRAE: THE SERVICE OF SHADOWS

Each section will be sung first by the cantor, then with the congregation.

Jane Hong The Shadow of Betrayal: Matthew 26:20-25

Lord, have mer-cy up-on us; Christ, have mer-cy up-on us; Lord, have mer-cy up-on us.

Joyce Hansen The Shadow of Inner Agony: Luke 22:40-44

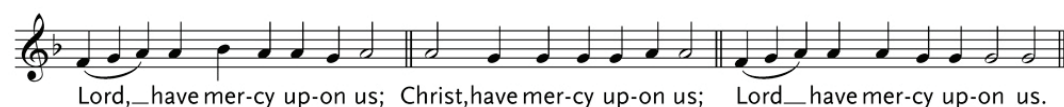
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THE SERVICE OF TENEBRAE

Mark Zivkovic The Shadow of Loneliness: Matthew 26:40-45



Debbie Mullins The Shadow of Desertion: Matthew 26:47-50, 55-56



Kyle Hughes The Shadow of Accusation: Matthew 26:59-67



Andy Craven The Shadow of Mockery: Mark 15:12-20



Kirsten Aiello The Shadow of Death: Luke 23:33-46



THE LIGHT DEPARTS

THE STREPITUS

THE LIGHT RETURNS

* BENEDICTION

You are invited to stay for a time of silent meditation following the service.

The ministry of music this evening is offered by the The Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church Choir
Dr. Ryan Jackson, *William S. Perper* Director of Music and Fine Arts Ministries
Dr. Patrick Kreeger, *Associate Organist* • Zachary Fletcher, *Baritone*

Early Christian churches had beautiful and dramatic services to commemorate the events of Holy Week. They called one of these services Tenebrae—a Latin word meaning “shadows” or “darkness.”

The distinctive feature of a Tenebrae service is the gradual extinction of lights in the Sanctuary. As the readings proceed, the Sanctuary grows darker until a solitary candle remains. This candle represents Christ alone, surrounded by the forces of darkness, when all of his disciples have fled. Finally, even this candle is removed and hidden, symbolic of the apparent victory of the powers of darkness over our Lord in his Passion. Christ has gone: “crucified, dead and buried.”

At this moment in the service, in the dark silence of the church, there is a sudden, sharp noise. This Strepitus (or “loud sound”) symbolizes the earthquake that came at the moment of Christ’s death. The powers of death and destruction have done their worst—yet all is not lost. The lone candle that was hidden returns to the Sanctuary, beckoning us to return on Easter morning for the coming of the Light.

A Note to Our Visitors

Dear Friend,

Welcome to Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church. We hope that your spirit drew a deep breath when you walked into this Sanctuary. We hope you felt welcomed. We hope you felt seen.

Fifth Avenue may look and feel like a big church, but we long to get to know you better! So, while you are here, don’t hesitate to ask questions of a Fifth Avenue usher (dressed in black with a white flower on their lapel) or members of the staff. We encourage you to check out our website, social media, and the event information listed in this bulletin. We have programming from Bible studies and mission trips to podcasts and community groups.

We’re so glad you’re here.
Come back and see us soon.

With joy,
Rev. Sarah Speed
Associate Pastor for Young Adults & Membership

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. The Employment Advisory program offers monthly seminars on career-related issues. All classes are free and open to all. Information on upcoming classes is available at fapc.org/adult-ed.

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 people of diverse backgrounds and families of all definitions to nurture healthy children and strong, faithful families. We offer Sunday School, Youth Group, Children's Choir, Little Lambs (programming for infants to toddlers), community groups for parents, Vacation Bible School and special events all year long. Learn more (and register your child) at fapc.org/family.

Membership

When we say "All are welcome," we mean it. From the moment you walk through our doors, we invite you to be a part of our community. We want to learn your name, listen to your questions, and hear your story. Every step of the way, we choose you. In membership, you choose us. 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 may be your spiritual home, we'd love to have you in an upcoming online class. Visit fapc.org/membership to learn more.

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 entry-level vocalists. Visit fapc.org/choirs to learn more about our choirs.

Theatre Fellowship is a community of artists and artisans that promotes congregational fellowship through our shared love of the theater. They offer a mainstage production every spring, staged readings, a cabaret and other events during the year. This ministry is currently on hiatus.

The Arts & Our Faith Committee sponsors exhibitions of art, history and photography in the Chesnut Gallery, often featuring work by members of the congregation. Visit fapc.org/gallery for our online exhibitions.

GETTING CONNECTED

Outreach and Missions

Outreach and Missions upholds the pulpit message of our pastors by serving those in need! Taking up cause, service and acting for vulnerable individuals and populations is our commitment to being light, leaven and salt. Our signature suite of Outreach programs includes: Homelessness and the David B. Skinner Shelter, Meals on Heels, the Ecumenical Outreach Partnership, A Place at the Table and Mission Partners. Members from across the church landscape participate in Outreach and Missions' events, volunteer their time and talents, and offer their leadership on various program committees to ensure that vulnerable and in need populations are supported by Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church. To learn more about Outreach and Missions, or to volunteer with our two feeding ministries, Meals on Heels or A Place at the Table, please email: outreach@fapc.org.

20s+30s

20s+30s is a diverse group of curious, adventurous people who are centered in our faith. We offer a number of programs to make you feel at home—our Wednesday evening discussion group, service projects, social events, retreats and more. Join us! We're online at fapc.org/20s-30s and on Instagram [@FAPC20s30s](https://www.instagram.com/FAPC20s30s).

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 visit fapc.org/volunteer.

Women's Association

Spring Cleaning? The Women's Association's Annual Holiday Bazaar will return this November. The Women's Association will gladly accept donations of art work, collectibles, new and gently used clothing, handbags, accessories and other items for the annual Joy of Christmas Bazaar. (No books, pots and pans, toys or electronics, please.) You may leave your items with the security desk at the 55th Street entrance. Future Women's Association programs will resume in the fall.

Let's Connect!

Engage with us

community@fapc.org
212.247.0490 ext 3005

Pray with us

congregationalcare@fapc.org
212.247.0490 ext 3007

Serve with us

outreach@fapc.org
212.247.0490 ext 3006

WELCOME & WE INVITE YOU BACK!

We invite you back tomorrow, Friday, April 15 for “Switchbacks on the Way to the Cross”— our Good Friday Service of Sacred Music and Reflection.

You are welcome to attend all or part of this three-hour service, which begins at 12 pm EDT in the Sanctuary and via Livestream.

Join us on Sunday, April 17 for Easter services at 9:30 and 11:15 am EDT in the Sanctuary. The 11:15 am service is also available via Livestream.

We encourage you to bring fresh-cut blooms to add to the Flowering of the Cross outside on Fifth Avenue.

CREDO Essentials of Christian Theology

This spring, come hear the Fifth Avenue clergy talk about heresy. Throughout history Christians have come to understand their faith not only by what they do believe, but also by what they do not believe. You will be surprised at how interesting, relevant and inspiring these theological mistakes can be!

Join us for one or all four CREDO lectures beginning Sunday, April 24 at 12:30 pm in Bonnell Hall. Each lecture will be available the following Monday at FAPCinNYC, our YouTube Channel. Food will be provided. For more details and to sign up, visit fapc.org/credo.



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