



Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church

THIRD SUNDAY OF PENTECOST
JUNE 26, 2022 • 10:00 AM



Brian Stauffer

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 9 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 9:30 am until 11:30 am 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 prepare for worship.
Please **silence all electronic devices** and **do not take flash photos** during the service.*

PRELUDE

Sicilienne • Mark Sirett (b. 1952)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Deacon Trevor Illingworth

One: Come, all who are thirsty.

All: You will find water here.

One: Come, all who are hungry.

All: You will find nourishment here.

One: Come, all who seek God.

All: You will find company here.

One: Come, young and old, gay and straight,
joyful and grieving,

All: You will find refuge here.

One: This is God's house. All are welcome.

All: Let us worship Creator God.

* HYMN 611

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

* 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.)

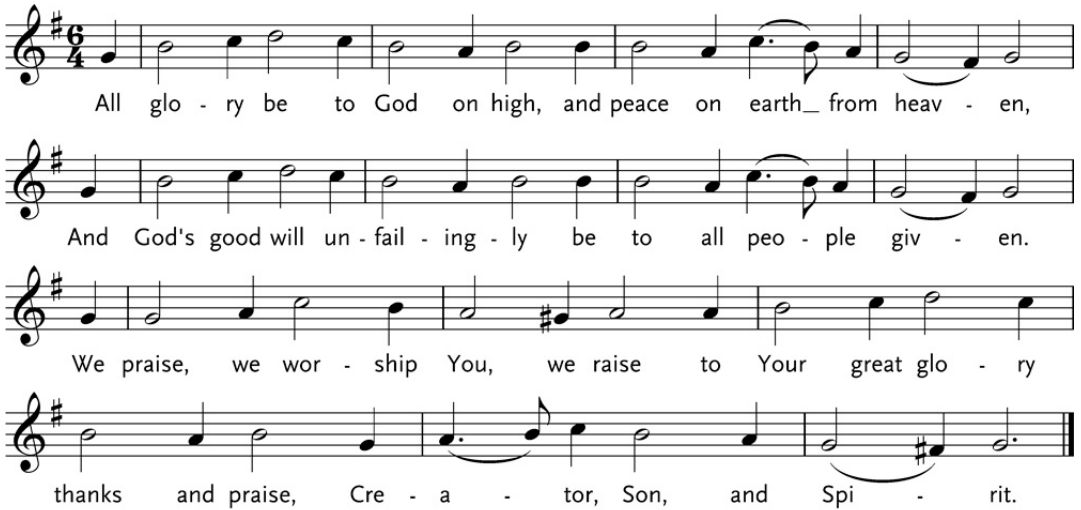


To you, O God, I lift my soul, to you, I lift my soul.____

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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 GOD'S AFFIRMATION

One: You are loved by God.
 All: **And so are you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SOLO

Grateful • *John Bucchino (b. 1952)*

I've got a roof over my head.
 I've got a warm place to sleep.
 Some nights I lie awake counting gifts
 Instead of counting sheep.
 I've got a heart that can hold love,
 I've got a mind that can think.
 There may be times when I lose the light,
 And let my spirits sink.
 But I can't stay depressed,
 When I remember how I'm blessed.

Refrain

*Grateful, grateful,
 Truly grateful I am.
 Grateful, grateful,
 Truly blessed
 And duly grateful.*

In a city of strangers,
 I've got a family of friends.
 No matter what rocks and brambles fill the way,
 I know that they will stay in the end.

I feel a hand holding my hand,
It's not a hand you can see,
But on the road to the promised land,
This hand will shepherd me,
Through delight and despair,
Holding tight and always there.

Refrain

It's not that I don't want a lot,
Or hope for more, or dream of more,
But giving thanks for what I've got
Makes me so much happier than keeping score.

In a world that can bring pain
I will still take each chance,
For I believe that whatever the terrain,
Our feet can learn to dance.
Whatever stone life may sling,
We can moan or we can sing.

Refrain

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 8:26-40

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth." The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

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

SERMON

The Rev. Sarah Speed

“This is For You”

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

FAYA Member Colleen McInnis

One: There are days that spill over with self-doubt.
I wonder, does God really love someone like me?

**All: On those days and every day,
God sees you and God loves you.
This good news is for you.**

One: There are days where God’s good news
feels impossible to reach.

**All: On those days and every day,
God sees you and God loves you.
This good news is for you.**

One: Lord, help my unbelief. This good news is for me.

**All: There are days that spill over with self-doubt.
I wonder, could God really love someone like me?**

One: On those days and every day,
God sees you and God loves you.
This good news is for you.

**All: There are days where God’s good news
feels impossible to reach.**

One: On those days and every day, God sees you and
God loves you. This good news is for you.

**All: Lord, help my unbelief.
This good news is for me. Amen.**

* HYMN 769

For Everyone Born

(Cantor sings verse 1, then congregation joins in singing)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Rev. Werner Ramirez

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.**

CALL TO GIVE

OFFERTORY SOLO

A Simple Song from *Mass* • Leonard Bernstein (1918–1990)
Text by Stephen Schwartz (b. 1948) and Leonard Bernstein

Sing God a simple song: *Lauda, Laude...*
Make it up as you go along: *Lauda, Laude...*
Sing like you like to sing.
God loves all simple things,
For God is the simplest of all.

I will sing the Lord a new song
To praise him, to bless him, to bless the Lord.
I will sing his praises while I live
All of my days.

Blessed is the man who loves the Lord,
Blessed is the man who praises him.
Lauda, Lauda, Laude...
And walks in his ways.

I will lift up my eyes
To the hills from whence comes my help.
I will lift up my voice to the Lord
Singing *Lauda, Laude*.

For the Lord is my shade,
Is the shade upon my right hand,
And the sun shall not smite me by day
Nor the moon by night.
Blessed is the man who loves the Lord,
Lauda, Lauda, Laude,
And walks in his ways.

Lauda, Lauda, Laude,
Lauda, Lauda di da di day...
All of my days.

* 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

* HYMN 772

Live into Hope

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prelude in B major, op. 7 • Marcel Dupré (1886–1971)

The ministry of music this morning is offered by
Dr. Ryan Jackson, *William S. Perper Director of Music and Fine Arts Ministries*
Dr. Patrick Kreeger, *Associate Organist* • Rebecca Soelberg, *Soprano*

WORSHIP NOTES

The Solo this morning was composed by American songwriter John Bucchino. Following his younger brother's death from complications due to AIDS in 1992, Bucchino was inspired to create a music theatre piece on the subject. The result was a relatively brief scene entitled, "Last Supper," which was included in a larger sequence of music theatre vignettes entitled, *Urban Myths*. The lead character, who is dying of AIDS, sings "Grateful" toward the end of the scene when his partner asks him what it is exactly they have to be grateful for in the midst of their tragic circumstances.

The Offertory Solo comes from Leonard Bernstein's "MASS: A Theatre Piece for Singers, Players, and Dancers." *Mass* was commissioned by Jacqueline Kennedy to be part of the opening ceremonies for the new John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington D.C. The piece was premiered on September 8, 1971. Although Bernstein initially considered writing a more traditional setting of the Mass, he eventually decided on a staged theater piece employing huge musical forces: a Celebrant, three choirs, altar servers, a full symphony orchestra, an on-stage rock band, and a marching band! Much of the text for *Mass* is from the Latin Tridentine Mass of the Roman Catholic Church, but Bernstein also employed additional English lyrics written in collaboration with the celebrated Broadway composer Stephen Schwartz and singer-songwriter Paul Simon. "A Simple Song" appears early in *Mass* as the opening hymn following the *Kyrie eleison*.

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:

Candy Asman, Neta Beberino, Helen Betzaia, Becky Bjornstad, Benjamin Bradley, Bill Brown
Britta Cabanos, Ella Calderon, Pastor Toribio Cajiuat, Phoebe Chiu, Sookjoong Choi
Dr. Johanna Cook, Edna Craddock, William Cuffee, Athanassia Doucas, Sherian Edgreen
David Elissa and Barbara Mitchell, Michael Elissa, Narmella Elissa, Sterling Gillis IV
Wanda Roush Hannan, Christopher Henderson, Maggie Hendrix, Juliet Kaldanie
Susan Kempler, Frederick Loomis, Louis Sterling King, Ceciwa Khonje, Richard J. Lawson
Mary Lowry, Lauren Ma, Keiko Matsuzaki, The McCall Family, Phyllis Oblander, Jeanne Pape
Dexter Ramcharan, Pauline Sample, Robert Scheuer, Tshombe Selby, Taylor Shultz, Brian Smith
Rosabelle Smith, Spencer Robert Smith, Frieda Sompotan, Rocco Tannehill, Harold Tither
Susan Tobiason, Betty Ty, Henny Waisapy, Warren White, Suzanne Wilks, Sylvia Winrich
Deborah Wurgler, Doris Wurgler

Faithful Departed:

June 4, 2022: Harris “Chip” G. Rogers III—beloved brother of Fifth Avenue member David M. Rogers

If you would like to add a name to the church prayer list or the list of faithful departed, please contact Kristia Tolode (congregationalcare@fapc.org, 212.247.0490 ext 3007).

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today

- 9:30 am** **Little Lambs Nursery.** LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.
- 10 am** **Worship.** Sanctuary.
- 11:15 am** **Coffee Hour.** The Weber Terrace. Join us after worship for a cup of coffee and an opportunity to chat with clergy and friends.
- 12 pm** **Return from Women's Summer Sabbath.** St. John Baptist in Mendham, NJ.
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This Week

- Sat July 2** **Meals on Heels Volunteers Needed.** 8:30 am · Bonnell Hall. Join us for weekly meal preparation and delivery to homebound seniors. Advance sign up is required by emailing moh@fapc.org.

Coming Up

- Sat July 9** **FAYA Beach Day.** 11 am · Rockaway Beach. All those in their 20s and 30s are welcome. Want to know more? E-mail youngadults@fapc.org.
- Sun July 10** **Believing & Belonging: Digital New Member Class, Session 1.** 2 pm EDT Zoom. Led by Rev. Sarah A. Speed and Director of Engagement Ashley Gonzalez. Visit fapc.org/events to sign up.
- Sun July 17** **Letters to Martin: Meditations on Democracy in Black America.** 7 pm EDT · Webinar. Dr. Randal Jelks will join us to share about his new book. Sign up at fapc.org/events.
- Believing & Belonging: Digital New Member Class, Session 2.** 2 pm EDT Zoom. Led by Rev. Sarah A. Speed and Director of Engagement Ashley Gonzalez. Visit fapc.org/events to sign up.
- Sun July 24** **Fifth Avenue Youth Trip.** 7 am · Baltimore, Maryland.
- Sat July 30** **FAYA Long Island City Brewery Tour.** 4 pm · Long Island City, Queens. Join Fifth Avenue Young Adults and taste test local brews.
- Mon Aug 1–
Fri Aug 5** **Fifth Avenue Kids Camp.** 9:30 am · LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center. Children in preschool through grade five are invited to join us for a week of fun! We offer before and after care for an additional fee. Visit fapc.org/events to register.
- Thu Aug 4** **FAYA: Mets Vs. Braves Game.** 7 pm · Citi Field. Join us as we cheer on the Mets. Tickets are \$20 and are available for purchase at fapc.org/events. Questions? E-mail youngadults@fapc.org.
- Sun Aug 7** **Youth Central Park Picnic.** 11:30 am · Central Park. Join us in Central Park for a picnic and lawn games! Register at fapc.org/events.

Next Sunday • Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

“Bathing in Muddy Water” • 2 Kings 5:1-14
The Rev. Dr. Jonah So, preaching.

Fifth Avenue Wall of Lament

“God help us.” These words echoed through a May 25, 2022 prayer offered by Senior Pastor Scott Black Johnston in response to the school shooting in Uvalde, Texas. Since this date, there have been additional mass shootings in various places across our country. Join Fifth Avenue as we focus our thoughts, prayers and action on taking a faithful stand against gun violence and committing to work for healthy change. Visit the Chesnut Gallery to view Fifth Avenue’s newly installed “Wall of Lament” and to explore how you can become involved.

June is National Pride Month

Visit the Chesnut Gallery all summer long for a Pride exhibit that features affirmations of God’s love for the LGBTQ+ community. This exhibit also includes statistics that remind us of the work still needed for equality.

Donate Now to the Fifth Avenue Kitchen Campaign

Seven days a week, the Fifth Avenue kitchen is a critical part of how this church lives out Christ’s challenge to extend hospitality and care to those who hunger. Currently, this very busy room in our church is in a sorry state. The disrepair and limitations of our aged appliances and the kitchen’s underlying plumbing and electrical systems hamper the preparation of meals on a large-scale basis.

Members of Fifth Avenue’s Property Committee (working with Meals on Heels and Roxo Events) have developed plans for a renovation. The estimated cost for renovating the church’s commercial grade kitchen (including new flooring, plumbing, fire suppression and appliances) is \$520,000. The Trustees have reviewed bids for the work and have selected the lowest bid from a contractor with an excellent track record. This project is expected to begin in October of 2022. Here is the good news: Thanks to anonymous donations, we are currently at \$226K raised toward the goal of \$520K! There are three easy ways that you can participate in the Kitchen Campaign:

- Visit fapc.org/kitchen and click the “Donate Here” button.
- Mail a check for the Kitchen Campaign to the Church Business office.
- Call the Church Business Office at 212.247.0490 ext 3044 and make your commitment over the phone to our Director of Finance, Richard Schexnider.

Thank you for your support and your investment in Fifth Avenue’s future.

Believing & Belonging: Digital New Member Class, July 10 and July 17.

Have you been looking for a place to belong, a way to grow deeper in your faith, or a community to call home? Join Rev. Sarah Speed for two online Believing & Belonging new member classes. Learn more at fapc.org/events.

Sign Up for Summer Kids Camp

Families, sign up now for Fifth Avenue Kids Camp, Aug. 1– Aug. 5. Each morning, we will be on a roll with God in our Food Truck Party, filled with games, crafts, music, Bible stories and more! Sign up at fapc.org/events.

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. Our Little Lambs Nursery for infants and toddlers is available every Sunday throughout the year; the current hours are 9:30 to 11:30 am. Our Sunday morning youth and children's programming is on break for the summer, but we have lots of special events that we'd love to have your youth and children join us for. Learn more (and register your child) at fapc.org/family.

Fifth Avenue Young Adults (FAYA)

FAYA 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. During the program year, we have a Wednesday evening gathering, service projects, social events, retreats and more. Throughout the summer, we focus on learning our city and fellowship. Join us! We're online at fapc.org/faya and on Instagram @FAPCFAYA.

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.

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.

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

The Women's Association's 2022 Holiday Bazaar will be held in November. Do you have donations? We gladly accept artwork, collectibles, new and gently used clothing, handbags, accessories and other items for this annual Joy of Christmas Bazaar. (No books, pots and pans, toys or electronics, please.) You may leave your items at the front desk at the 55th Street entrance. Future Women's Association programs will resume in the fall.

OFFICERS BY CLASS

The Session

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, *Moderator* • The Rev. Dr. Jonah So, Executive Pastor
Porter Binks, Clerk of Session • John Wyatt, Assistant Clerk of Session
The Rev. Werner Ramirez, Associate Pastor • The Rev. Sarah Speed, Associate Pastor

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Fund the altar flowers

Kristia Tolode

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Join the church

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Make a donation

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Prepare for baptism

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Add a name to the prayer list • Kristia Tolode, congregationalcare@fapc.org

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

Notify us of a death or illness • Kristia Tolode, congregationalcare@fapc.org

Request a bulletin announcement • bulletin@fapc.org

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

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Let's Connect!

Engage with us

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**Welcome to Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church.
It can take a bit of effort and courage to walk through the
doors of a new church, so let us be the first to say,
we are so glad you're here.**

Fifth Avenue looks and feels like a big church, and it is, but this community is also a family. We are a family that longs to learn your name and form lasting relationships! So, while you are here, if you have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out to an usher (dressed in black with a white flower on their lapel) or a member of the staff. We'd be delighted to meet you. Additionally, we encourage you to check out our website, our social media, and the program information listed in this bulletin. We have everything from Bible studies to service trips, community groups, book clubs, and more for every age and stage of life.

Rev. Sarah Speed and Ashley Gonzalez are leading a new member's class called Believing and Belonging. This membership class explores what it means to worship, serve, and be a part of the community at Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church. If you are interested in attending, we would love to have you. Please know that participation in this class does not mean you have to become a member. The class is for all people, both local and those who worship remotely. So, wherever you are on your faith journey, you are welcome! The upcoming dates are July 10 and 17 online or Oct. 9 and 16 in person.

Welcome to the family. We're so glad you're here.
Come back and see us soon.

With joy,

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

Ashley Gonzalez, *Director of Engagement*



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