



Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 4, 2024 • 10:00 AM



Lauren Wright Pittman, *Transfiguration*, 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, gathered in the Sanctuary and online, we worship together as one.

In this grand old church, we do Sunday morning in some pretty traditional (very Presbyterian) ways. We study the teachings and the actions of Jesus. We sing many of the same hymns our grandparents sang. Yet, in our preaching and our prayers, we wrestle with the challenges of the modern world. I hope your heart will hear something personal and relevant this morning—a word of comfort, a spur to action, a call to a deeper relationship with God.

After the service, please stick around. Introduce yourself to one of our clergy or someone at our Welcome Table. We have lots of programs and community groups to feed your soul and expand your spirit. Try one out. You never know—you just might be home!

Scott Black Johnston
Senior Pastor

➔ New to Fifth Avenue?

Please fill out the welcome card you will find in your pew. Place the card in the offering plate, hand it to an usher, or drop it off at the Welcome Table (inside the Fifth Avenue entrance). You may also complete the welcome form online at fapc.org/welcome. Our friends at the Welcome Table can provide you with information about our ministries, programs and volunteer opportunities.

➔ Large-Print Bulletins

Please speak with an usher if you would like to use a large-print bulletin or hymnal to follow the service.

➔ Families with Children

Children are always welcome in worship! You will find children’s Bibles in the first 10 rows of pews on the far north side of the Sanctuary. Ushers can also provide children’s bulletins and worship bags. If you need to leave the service to attend to your child, the ushers can direct you to the nearest changing table and livestream monitor. We provide childcare for infants and toddlers from 9:30 to 11:30 am in the LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.

➔ Worship Resources Online

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

➔ Parking

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE Prelude and Fugue in B-flat, BWV 560 • J.S. Bach (1685–1750)

* **CALL TO WORSHIP**
 Deacon Julia Ward

One: From the rising of the sun to its setting,
All: God speaks to us and summons us.
 One: From mountaintop to valley,
All: God gathers us in covenant.
 One: In worship and in prayer,
All: In song and celebration,
 One: In lament or in rejoicing,
All: God's presence goes before us.
 One: Let us worship the living God!

* **HYMN 305** **Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!**

* **CALL TO CONFESSION**
 Jaime Staehle, Director of Christian Education

* **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

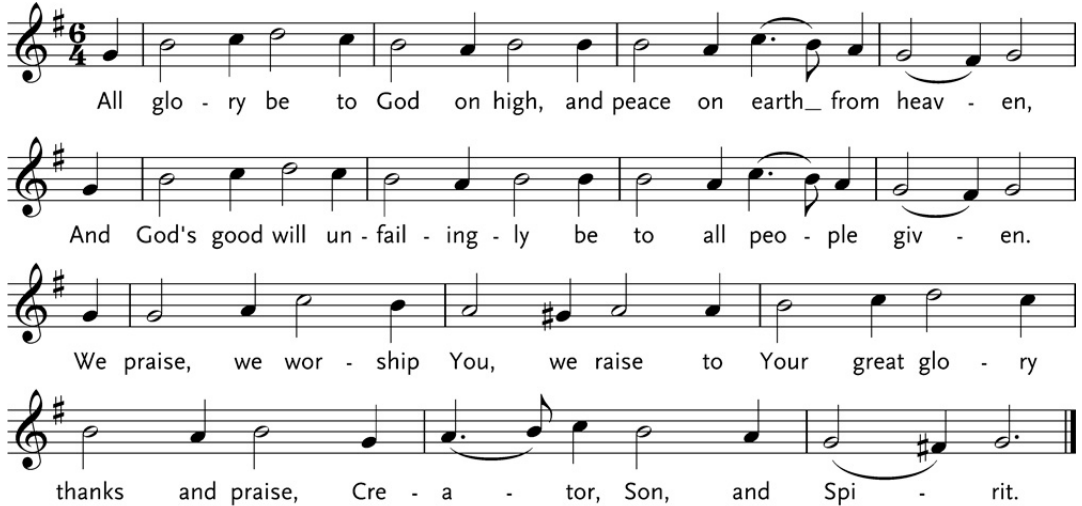
* **SUNG RESPONSE** (Cantor sings once; then the congregation sings once.)

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. rit.

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* PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Rev. Dr. Jonah So

SOLO

Hear My Prayer, O Lord • *Antonín Dvořák (1841–1904)*

Thou art my refuge and my hope,
Thou shalt tread down my enemies.
I will dwell forever in thy tents
And hide me in the shadow of thy wings.
Lord! thou art indeed my God,
Yea, I will seek thee early.
My soul is faint, my body longeth after thee
In a barren desert where there is no water.
Now I will bless thee daily
and lift my hands in prayer and adoration;
Yea, my lips shall praise thee all my life long.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 17:1-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became bright as light. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will set up three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking,

suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they raised their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

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

SERMON

The Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike

"Why Worship?"

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
 everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
 The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
 sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,
 and binds us together with all believers
 in the one body of Christ, the Church.
 The same Spirit
 who inspired the prophets and apostles
 rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,
 engages us through the Word proclaimed,
 claims us in the waters of baptism,
 feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,
 and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.
 Amen.**

* SUNG RESPONSE

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

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CALL TO GIVE

OFFERTORY SOLO

St. John Passion, BWV 245: Betrachte, meine Seele • J.S. Bach

<i>Betrachte, meine Seel, mit ängstlichem Vergnügen,</i>	Contemplate, my soul, with anxious pleasure,
<i>Mit bitterer Lust und halb beklemmtem Herzen</i>	With bitter joy and half-constricted heart,
<i>Dein höchstes Gut in Jesu Schmerzen,</i>	Your highest good in Jesus's suffering
<i>Wie dir auf Dornen, so ihn stechen,</i>	How for you, out of the thorns that pierce him,
<i>Die Himmelsschlüsselblumen blühh!</i>	The tiny 'keys of Heaven' bloom!
<i>Du kannst viel süße Frucht von seiner Wermut</i>	You can pluck much sweet fruit
<i>brechen</i>	From his wormwood;
<i>Drum sieh ohn Unterlass auf ihn!</i>	Therefore gaze without pause upon him!

* 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
Bless - ed is he who comes in the
pow - er and might, Heav'n and earth are
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Born of Mary, he shares our life.
 Eating with sinners, he welcomes us.
 Guiding his children, he leads us.
 Visiting the sick, he heals us.
 Dying on the cross, he saves us.
 Rising from the dead, he gives new life.
 Living with you, he prays for us.
 Great is the mystery of faith:



With thanksgiving we take this bread and this cup
 and proclaim the death and resurrection of our Lord.
 Receive our sacrifice of praise.
 Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us, that this meal may be a communion
 in the body and blood of our Lord.
 Make us one with Christ and with all who share this feast.
 Unite us in faith, encourage us with hope, inspire us to love,
 that we may serve as your faithful disciples until we feast at your table in glory.
 We praise you, eternal God, through Christ your Word made flesh,
 in the holy and life-giving Spirit, now and forever.



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THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
 Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread,
 and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.
 Amen.**

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION SOLO

Bist du bei mir, BWV 508 • J.S. Bach (1685–1750)

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

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

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

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

* HYMN 193

Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Triumphant March on “Darwall’s 148th”
Andrew Clarke (b. 1942)

The ministry of music this morning is offered by
Dr. Patrick Kreeger, *Associate Organist* • Emery Kerekes, *Soloist*

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

If You Are in Need of Prayer

Deacons (wearing white stoles) are available to pray with you after the service. Your prayers are confidential unless you request that they be shared with our Congregational Care staff. You may also complete a prayer request card (available in the pews and at the entrances) and place it in the offering plate or hand to an usher. You may submit prayer requests online at fapc.org/prayer-requests.

Please pray for:

Ann Alexander, Pat Backus, Patricia Blair, Neta Beberino, Helen Betzaia, Becky Bjornstad Benjamin Bradley, Britta Cabanos, Pastor Toribio Cajiuat, 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, 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 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.** LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.
- 10 am** **Worship.** Sanctuary & Livestream.
- 11:15 am** **Coffee Hour.** Bonnell Hall and online.
- Tour the Church.** Meet at the rear of the Sanctuary following worship.
- 11:45 am** **Bagels & Bible.** 7th Floor Conference Room.
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This Week

- Sat Aug 10** **Meals on Heels.** 8:30 am • Bonnell Hall. Volunteers prepare and deliver weekend meals to homebound seniors. New volunteers are welcome and needed!
Contact: John Wyatt (moh@fapc.org).

Coming Up

- Sun Aug 11** **Worship.** 10 am • Sanctuary & Livestream. The Rev. Dr. Jonah So, preaching.
Kids Bible Adventure. 10 am • LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.
Register at fapc.org/adventure.
- Sat Aug 17** **Meals on Heels.** 8:30 am • Bonnell Hall.
FAYA at the Playa Beach Day. Location TBD. To learn more about the meet-up location and timing, send a direct message to the FAYA Instagram account ([@fapcfaya](https://www.instagram.com/fapcfaya)).
- Sun Aug 18** **Worship.** 10 am • Sanctuary & Livestream. The Rev. Dr. Jonah So, preaching.
Women's Ministry: White Elephant Book Swap. 11:30 am • Corning Logan Room.
Grab a beloved book for a women's ministry book swap!
- Sat Aug 24** **Meals on Heels.** 8:30 am • Bonnell Hall.
- Sun Aug 25** **Worship.** 10 am • Sanctuary & Livestream. Join us for a Chapel Church-style worship service! The Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike, preaching.
- Sat Aug 31** **Meals on Heels.** 8:30 am • Bonnell Hall.
- Sun Sep 1** **Worship.** 10 am • Sanctuary & Livestream. The Rev. Dr. Jonah So, preaching.
Bagels & Bible. 11:30 am • 7th Floor Conference Room. Calling all those 40+ to join the Rev. Dr. Jonah So for bagels & Bible study.
- Mon, Sep 2** **Labor Day holiday.** Building closed.
- Sat Sep 7** **Meals on Heels.** 8:30 am • Bonnell Hall.
- Sun Sep 8** **Homecoming.** 11 am. Sanctuary & Livestream. The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, preaching.

Next Sunday • Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

"Why Serve?" • Matthew 25:14-30

The Rev. Dr. Jonah So, preaching.

NEWS & EVENTS

HOMECOMING & FALL HIGHLIGHTS

Homecoming is only a few weeks away! On Sunday, September 8, at 11 am, we'll celebrate the beginning of our program year. Senior Pastor Scott Black Johnston will launch a new sermon series. We'll cap the joyous day with a festive coffee hour in Bonnell Hall and an Opportunities Fair where you can learn more about everything going on at church. *See you at Homecoming!*

Following Homecoming, we have a vibrant lineup of events to bring our community together in fellowship, worship, and celebration. Mark your calendars and join us!

- **Women's Ministry Walk in the Park.** Wednesday, Sept. 18, 6 pm.
- **Fall Concert.** *Unclouded Day: Sacred Songs of America.* Friday, Oct. 18, 7 pm.
- **Family Ministries Fall Festival.** Sunday, Oct. 20, 12:30 pm.
- **The Kenneth O. Jones Awards.** Friday, Oct. 25, 7 pm.

We look forward to seeing you at these events as we come together to enjoy the blessings of the fall season!

Summer Sermon Series

In a world that often feels divided, many people wonder: Why church? Why worship? Why follow the Christian faith? This summer, we invite you to delve into these profound questions with us. Through the wisdom of scripture and tradition, we'll explore the meaningful reasons behind worship and faith. Discover perspectives you might be missing and deepen your understanding of what it means to be part of a faith community. Join us as the Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike continues our thought-provoking series, asking together—"Why Worship?"

Sunday, August 11: Kids Bible Adventure

All kids in preschool through 5th grade are invited to join us for a fun day discovering the story of Paul! There will be games, crafts, songs, Bible stories, and more! There will also be a pizza lunch. Meet in the LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center at the start of worship. Parents are invited to attend worship at 10 am and then head for brunch or a walk in the park before picking your kids up at 1 pm. The cost for the day is \$10. Register at fapc.org/adventure.

Sunday, August 18: Women's Ministry White Elephant Book Swap

Calling all bookworms for a women's ministry book swap! Grab a beloved book. It could be a children's book, cookbook, *New York Times* Best seller or anything in between. Wrap your book with gift wrap and bring it to church for a white elephant book swap. You will leave with a different book than you brought, and hopefully a few more joyful memories with this community! Join us in the Corning Logan room at 11:30 am. This is a free event, but your RSVP is appreciated! Email womensministry@fapc.org to let us know you're coming!

Did you know...

...that you can nominate officers all year round? If you see a gift in someone in the community or wish to use your own abilities to serve as a church officer, go to fapc.org/nominations and fill out a nomination form! Please send us your recommendations. More information on the officer election process, and the officer recommendation form, are available at fapc.org/nominations.

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 email community@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; our summer hours are from 9:30 to 11:30 am. 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 the end of June until Homecoming Sunday, September 8**). 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. 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).

Membership

When we say "All are welcome," we mean it. Whether you live in the neighborhood, or across the country, we welcome you to join our family of faith. Through our Believing and Belonging seminars, you explore what it means to be a part of the Christian church, the Presbyterian tradition and Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church. Whether you're sure membership is right for you, or you're just beginning to wonder if this might be your spiritual home, we'd love to have you in an upcoming in-person or online class. Visit fapc.org/membership or email membership@fapc.org to register.

Music & Arts

Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church is home to a versatile program of music and arts in our worship and community life that endeavors to inspire, challenge and comfort all who encounter it, and to provide opportunities to share our artistic gifts. In addition to the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church Choir and Chamber Choir, we offer the Fifth Avenue Community Choir for anyone who loves to sing. Visit fapc.org/choirs to learn more. The Arts & Our Faith Committee sponsors exhibitions of art, history and photography in the Chesnut Gallery, often featuring work by members of the congregation. Theatre Fellowship is a community of artists and artisans that promotes congregational fellowship through our shared love of the theater.

Outreach Ministries

Through our Outreach Ministries, hundreds of members and friends of the church are engaged in volunteering, advocacy and service. Our programs include our Befriending Ministry on behalf of our neighbors experiencing homelessness; the Ecumenical Outreach Partnership, a collaborative ministry with Saint Thomas Church and St. Patrick's Cathedral that serves the homeless population of Midtown; A Place at the Table, a twice-weekly sidewalk lunch for our homeless and hungry neighbors; and Meals on Heels, Saturday-morning meal preparation and delivery to homebound seniors. We also maintain mission partner relationships with local, national and international organizations. Our current mission partners are:

Asylum Support Clinic	Mission co-workers in Madagascar,
Church of Gethsemane	the Philippines & the U.S.–Mexico border
The Farminary Project	Parity
Garden of Hope	Search and Care
Hands Along the Nile Development Services	Urban Outreach Center NYC
Holmes Camp and Retreat Center	West Side Federation for Senior
Ministry of Hope Lesotho	and Supportive Housing

To learn more, visit fapc.org/outreach, or contact Christine Boyle, director of outreach and missions (212.247.0490 ext 3006, outreach@fapc.org).

Volunteering

Volunteering is one of the most important ways we show that God's house is truly a place where all are welcome. Each week, members of this community serve as ushers and greeters, prepare and deliver meals to the homebound, provide comfort and support to the elderly, lead tours for members and visitors, and work with the underserved of New York City. To learn more about our diverse volunteer opportunities, and how you can join in, visit fapc.org/volunteer.

Fifth Avenue Women's Ministry

For generations, the women of Fifth Avenue have gathered for service, fellowship, and deeper faith. Standing on the shoulders of those who have gone before, we continue to connect and would love to include you in our community. The women's ministry at Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church is trans affirming and welcoming to women of any age and stage. We meet for annual retreats, fellowship events, Bible study, and small groups. To learn more and get involved, email womensministry@fapc.org or visit fapc.org/women.

The Session

The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, *Moderator* • The Rev. Dr. Jonah So, *Executive Pastor*

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CLERGY & STAFF



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

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

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Join the church

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Prepare for baptism

Jaime Staehle

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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

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9 am – 5 pm

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