



February 4, 2024
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:45 a.m.

Gathering those who fear they are not enough,
so we may experience grace, wholeness, and renewal as God's beloved.

We Gather to Praise God

PRELUDE

Suite For Musical Clock

G.F. Handel (1685-1759)

RINGING OF THE BELL

INTROIT

Sing Praise

Ruth Elaine Schram (b. 1956)

Enter His gates with thanksgiving. Come in with a heart full of love.

Sing praise to your Creator and King. Sing praise to God above!

WELCOME

Yena Hwang

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

based on Psalm 147

ONE: Praise the Lord!

ALL: How good it is to sing praises to God, for God is gracious!

ONE: The Lord numbers the stars and stirs the weather.

ALL: God feeds all of creation.

ONE: The Lord builds us up and gathers us in.

ALL: God does not prize strength, but treasures honor and loyalty.

ONE: The greatness of our Lord is beyond our comprehension.

ALL: Sing praise to our God!

*** HYMN 1**

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

** Please stand in body or spirit*

CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Tim Stufft

from Feasting on the Word Worship Companion

ONE: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us of all unrighteousness. Let us confess our sins, trusting in God's mercy.

ALL: Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment.

Free us from a past that we cannot change, open us to a future in which we can be changed, and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image. By the power of the Holy Spirit, we ask this in Jesus' name.

Personal prayer in silence

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Megan Klose

ONE: The proof of God's amazing love is this: while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

ALL: Thanks be to God!

* SING GLORY TO GOD

1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

The musical score is written on five staves in a single system. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (B-flat), and a time signature of 12/8. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with some phrases extending across bar lines. The lyrics are placed below the notes. The final note of the piece is a whole note on a G, followed by a double bar line.

*** PASSING THE PEACE**

ONE: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

Children four years and older are invited to continue their worship at Godly Play in Room 59.

We Listen for God's Word

SUNG PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION 451

Open My Eyes, That I May See



1 O-pen my eyes, that I may see glimps-es of truth thou hast for me.



O-pen my eyes; il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di-vine!

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 40:21-31

Tim Stufft

ONE: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Alleluia

William Boyce (1711-1779)

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 1:29-39

Megan Klose

ONE: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Megan Klose

We Respond to God's Word

*** HYMN 182**

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

* **RESPONSE OF FAITH** *from A Brief Statement of Faith, PCUSA 1983*

Yena Hwang

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. [...] In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Tim Stufft

ONE: Lord in your mercy,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

The Prayers of the People are offered on behalf of and with the congregation, usually by an elder who is currently serving or has previously served on Session. Prayer requests can be sent to Pastors Yena and Megan at prayers@fallschurchpresby.org.

Continued Prayers

Young Hobbie, Allan Capon, Ruth Mileham, Ken Waugh

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY

VOICE Team

Karen Growney

OUR LIFE TOGETHER AS THE BODY OF CHRIST

Yena Hwang

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Please support the mission and ministry of the church with your financial contributions.

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OFFERTORY

The Lord's My Shepherd

Bob Chilcott (b. 1955)

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want.

He makes me down to lie in pastures green: He leadeth me the quiet waters by.

*My soul he doth restore again; And me to walk doth make,
Within the paths of righteousness, even for his own name's sake.*

*Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear no ill: For thou art with me and thy rod and staff me comfort still.*

*My table thou has furnished in presence of my foes;
My head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.*

*Goodness and mercy all my life, shall surely follow me:
And in my Father's heart always my dwelling place shall be.*

* DOXOLOGY 608

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

The musical notation is written on three staves in G major (one sharp). The first staff shows the melody with lyrics: "Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise Christ, all". The second staff continues: "peo - ple here be - low; praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er -". The third staff concludes: "more; praise Tri - une God, whom we a - dore." Above the first staff, the following chords are indicated: G, C, Am7, Dsus, D, G.

TEXT: Neil Weatherhogg, 1988
MUSIC: Hal H. Hopson, 2008
Text © 1990 Neil Weatherhogg
Music © 2008 Hal H. Hopson

PRAISE GOD (Hopson)
LM

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Megan Klose, Yena Hwang

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Thanksgiving

ONE: The Lord be with you.

ALL: **And also with you.**

ONE: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

ONE: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

ONE: It is truly right...

Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, God of
pow - er, God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Blessed is the
One, blessed is the One, blessed is the One who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na! Ho -
san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

TEXT: Trad. liturgical text
MUSIC: David E. Poole, 2007
Music © 2007 David E. Poole

SANCTUS (Poole)

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.

Words of Institution and Distribution of the Elements

Come forward by the center aisle, take bread, dip it into the cup and eat, then return to your pew by a side aisle. Bread is gluten-free, cup is non-alcoholic, and yeast-free wafers are available. A tray with bread and cups will be brought to those who wish to remain seated.

Prayer after Communion

Megan Klose

* HYMN 515

I Come with Joy

* CHARGE AND BLESSING

Megan Klose

* CHORAL BENEDICTION

Amen in F

Timothy Shaw (b. 1976)

POSTLUDE

Rejoice, the Lord is King

arr. Benjamin Culli (b. 1975)

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Supporting Us in Worship

Worship Leader	Tim Stufft
Ushers	Steve Rutsch, Lowell Schuyler
Communion Prep	Tom Koger, Marsha Schuyler
Audio/Video	Alex Hess
Sexton	Tim Stufft
Sanctuary Flowers	The flowers today are given to the glory of God from Janet Graff in thanksgiving for and celebration of daughter Hannah's birthday.

A Warm Welcome

Thank you for joining us in worship this morning. Please sign the red welcome pad which can be found at the end of the pew, then pass the pad along to your neighbor. If you need to step out of worship, the service is being broadcast into the parlor, just across the hall from the narthex at the back of the sanctuary.

Large-print bulletins are available at the sanctuary entrances. Portable electronic assistive listening devices are available in the narthex.

A recording of today's service can be found at www.fallschurchpresby.org/sermon. If you would like to learn more about our family of faith, please talk to one of the pastors as you exit the sanctuary. More information can be found on our website.

Children in Worship

Children are always welcome in our services. Children's bulletins and coloring sheets are available for children of all ages at each entrance.

Children up to age 4: BibleFun with Mr. Tom begins at 10:45 a.m. in Room 206. Paid nursery staff provide support to our youngest disciples.

Children 4 years old and up: Godly Play is offered in Room 59 following the Passing of the Peace.

Fellowship Hour

Please join us in Fellowship Hall after worship to greet your neighbors and enjoy some light refreshments. Hosted by the Community Building Ministry Team.

Announcements

Masking in worship. During this flu season, please wear a mask if you are showing any cough or cold symptoms. And if you are truly sick, please worship with us online. Thank you for helping to keep our congregation healthy.

New Members Class, today, Feb. 4, 9:30 a.m., Parlor. Pastor Yena is offering a one-hour class for those who are considering becoming a part of this community of faith, those who are new to the community, or those who would simply like to explore what it means to follow Jesus in the Presbyterian tradition.

Pancake Breakfast, today, Feb. 4, 11:45 a.m., Fellowship Hall. Join us for the annual Boy Scouts Pancake Breakfast. Troop 895 Scouts will prepare and serve the FCPC congregation in thanks for our partnership throughout the year.

Breakfast Bagging for shelter guests, Feb. 11, 9:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall. Join the Mercy Ministry Team and other church members in Fellowship Hall between services on Feb. 11 to assemble Breakfast Bags containing a granola bar, a juice box, and a piece of fresh fruit for our Hypothermia Shelter guests. Catch up with friends while helping our neighbors-in-need. These reflections of your caring will help our shelter guests get off to a good start each morning the week of Feb. 12-18 as they depart FCPC each day.

VOICE: Nurturing our Justice-Driven Community, Feb. 11, 11:45 a.m., Fellowship Hall. The core VOICE (Virginians Organized for Interfaith Community Engagement) team at FCPC cordially invites you to a lunchtime meeting after the second service on Feb. 11. Why, you ask? We've been doing a lot of hard work, listening to our Welcome Table guests, listening to you, and talking to VOICE leaders, and we'd like to share what we have heard and how VOICE organizers can help us organize our justice efforts. Please sign up through the link in the Friday egram or contact the church office.

Hypothermia Shelter at FCPC, Feb. 11-18. We'll provide a hot meal, a warm, safe place to sleep, and a breakfast bag to go for as many as 40 neighbors-in-need each night. Click the link in the Friday egram for more info and to sign up.

Matthew 25 Group is reading Resmaa Menakem's *My Grandmother's Hands: Racialized Trauma and the Pathway to Mending Our Hearts and Bodies*. Sundays, 9:30 a.m., Library.

Join Serendipity Class to discuss *The Great Shift: Encountering God in Biblical Times*. Sundays, 9:30 a.m., Conference Room.

Ash Wednesday Worship Service, Feb. 14, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary, with imposition of the ashes.

Crooked Steeple Literary Festival, Feb. 24, 2:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall. Guest author Jeffrey Blount will be talking about his latest book, "Mr. Jimmy from Around the Way." Sign up through the link in the Friday egram or on our website.

Calendar

Sunday, Feb. 4

Informal Worship Service, 8:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall

New Members Class, 9:30 a.m., Parlor

Matthew 25 Book Discussion, 9:30 a.m., Library

Serendipity Class, 9:30 a.m., Conference Room

BibleFun (Children up to age 4), 10:45 a.m., Room 206

Traditional Worship Service, 10:45 a.m., Sanctuary

Pancake Breakfast, 11:45 a.m., Fellowship Hall

Confirmation Retreat - Return to FCPC 2:30 p.m.

Serve Sunday (Youth), 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall/Kitchen

Monday, Feb. 5 - *No scheduled events*

Tuesday, Feb. 6

Tuesday Morning Prayer Group, 8:45 a.m., Zoom

Buildings & Grounds Team, 6:30 p.m., Conference Room

Deacons, 7:30 p.m., Library and Zoom

Wednesday, Feb. 7

First Wednesday Welcome Table, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Setup and Prep, 4-6 p.m. Meal served, 6-7:30 p.m. Cleanup, Fellowship Hall

Pastor Nominating Committee, 7:30 p.m., Conference Room and Zoom

Thursday, Feb. 8

Chancel Choir, 7:30 p.m., Choir Room

Friday, Feb. 9

Lydia Circle, 10:30 a.m., Waugh Residence

Saturday, Feb. 10

Bible Study & Fellowship Group, 8:00 a.m., Parlor.

Simon Whitney Memorial Service, 3:00 p.m., Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall

Sunday, Feb. 11

8:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall

Breakfast Bagging for Hypothermia Shelter, 9:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall

BibleFun (children up to age 4), 10:45 a.m., Room 206

Traditional Worship Service, 10:45 a.m., Sanctuary

VOICE Meeting and Luncheon, 11:45 a.m., Fellowship Hall

The Bridge (grades 3-6), 3:00 p.m., Third Floor

Hypothermia Shelter begins, 6:00 p.m., Memorial Hall

Wednesday, Feb. 14

Ash Wednesday Worship with Imposition of Ashes, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary

Falls Church Presbyterian belongs to the Covenant Network of Presbyterians, “working for the unity of the church, furthering the inclusion of LGBTQ persons, seeking understanding and reconciliation, and joining with others seeking a still more just and inclusive church.”

Falls Church Presbyterian is also a Matthew 25 church seeking to build congregational vitality, dismantle structural racism, and eradicate systemic poverty.

The Rev. Yena Hwang, Transitional Pastor

The Rev. Megan Klose, Associate Pastor

Diane Maloney, Director of Spiritual Growth and Community Engagement

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