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

Andante con moto

#### **RINGING OF THE BELL**

#### **WELCOME**

### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: Christ has set us free!

#### ALL: Free to serve.

ONE: Free to welcome and include.

## ALL: Free to love our neighbors as ourselves.

ONE: Come, let us live into Christ's calling!

# \* GATHERING HYMN 12

**CALL TO CONFESSION** 

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

# Jenny Lansbury

ONE: The God who demands justice from us is the God who pours out mercy upon us. Trusting in that gracious love, let us confess our sins before God and one another.

\* Please stand in body or spirit

July 13, 2025 5th Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 a.m.



Megan Klose

Christopher Tambling (1964-2015)

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

ALL: God of Mercy: We confess that we have failed to live as your beloved. We have set our minds on the things of this world, and we have neglected the inheritance of love you bestow upon your saints. We have pursued selfish aims in our daily business; we have harbored uncharitable thoughts toward our enemies and friends; we have avoided difficult responsibilities to our neighbors. Forgive us, we pray. Free us from our selfish ways and strengthen us to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Personal prayer in silence

#### Assurance of Pardon

Yena Hwang

- ONE: Christ has set us free. Claim your forgiveness. Rejoice in God's grace. Respond with love.
- ALL: Thank you, Jesus, for we find freedom and forgiveness in you. We respond in gratitude. Alleluia! Amen!



#### \* GLORY TO GOD 582

# \* PASSING THE PEACE

Yena Hwang

ONE: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **ALL: And also with you.** 

# We Listen for God's Word



ALL: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Do Likewise

Yena Hwang

# We Respond to God's Word

# \* SERMON HYMN 703

Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me

# ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF DEACONS

Today the Session ordains and installs Gail Warner as a deacon and installs Sam Beatty as a deacon.

Profession of Faith

- ONE: Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the way of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world?
- ALL: I do.
- ONE: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love?
- ALL: I do.
- ONE: Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love?
- ALL: I will, with God's help.

## The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven. He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Constitutional Questions for Candidates Constitutional Questions to the Congregation Ordination and Installation Prayer

#### **JOURNEYING TOGETHER FAITHFULLY**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** 

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.

Please keep in your prayers:

Gail Warner on the death of her mother, Nancy Hogan, on July 2 Chris Lanier on the death of his father, William Lanier, on June 28 Mark Brasler on the death of his wife, Mary Brasler, on June 15 Andrea Brown, receiving chemotherapy

Ongoing prayer concerns:

*FCPC members:* Avery Burns, Winnie Harris-Zoellner, Ruth Mileham, Ken Waugh. *Relatives and friends:* Bill Armstrong, Don Armstrong's father; Carolyn Armstrong, Scott Armstrong's mother; Vincent DiPerno, Paige Whitlock's nephew; Cynthia Hintze, Carol Kercheval's sister; Ansley McCraw, Shawn Sledge's niece; MacKenzie Morgan, Irv Morgan's niece.

Gordon Storr

Jenny Lansbury

## 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.

## **OUR LIFE TOGETHER AS THE BODY OF CHRIST**

# **OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

Please support the mission and ministry of the church with your financial contributions. Offerings can be placed in the offering plate, mailed to the church office, given online through our secure giving portal (fcpc.breezechms.com/give/online), texted to give at 7037751355, or scanned using the QR code.

## **O**FFERTORY

\* Doxology 608

I Give You a New Commandment

I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. If there is this love among you, then all will know that you are my disciples. (John 13:34, 35)

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



# \* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Megan Klose

# We Are Sent into the World

\* SENDING HYMN 720

Megan Klose

Peter Aston (b. 1938)



Jesus Calls Us

# \* CHARGE AND BLESSING

## POSTLUDE

Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

arr. George Webb (1803-1887)

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# Supporting Us in Worship

Worship Leader	Jenny Lansbury	
Ushers	Drew Luten, James Owen	
Audio/Video	Alexi Hawkins	
Sexton	Catriona McCormack	
Sanctuary Flowers	Today's flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory	
	of loved ones by Margaret and Mike Volpe.	

## 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.

- There are nametag boards outside of the sanctuary side entrance. Please make a nametag and wear it as a sign of hospitality.
- Large-print bulletins are available at the sanctuary entrances. Portable electronic assistive listening devices are available in the narthex or from an usher.
- 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, talk to one of the pastors or email Pastor Yena (yhwang@fallschurchpresby.org) or Pastor Megan (mklose@fallschurchpresby.org). Please visit our website for more information.

# Children in Worship

Children are always welcome in our services. **The Kids' Corner** at the front right side of the Sanctuary is where children and their grownups can play, read, or color quietly while in worship. **Children up to age 4:** Child care is offered in Room 201 by paid nursery staff. Godly Play and BibleFun, for children ages 4 and up, are on break for the summer.

# Escape Weekend Fellowship Hour

Join us in Fellowship Hall following worship today for a special Escape Weekend Fellowship Hour including special treats! The Escape Weekend Planning Team will be on hand to help with registration. Reminder: Earlybird discount ends July 15.

# Announcements

**New Members Class, today at 11:30 a.m.** This class is for people who are considering becoming a part of this faith community, 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. Meet in the Parlor at 11:30 a.m.

**Pastors Yena and Megan** will be out of the office Monday and Tuesday (July 14 & 15). If you have a pastoral emergency, please contact the church office.

**Escape Weekend discount ends July 15!** Register for Escape Weekend (October 31-November 2) and pay in full by July 15 to receive a \$30 per household discount. Need help registering? Come to Escape Weekend Fellowship Hour today and the Escape Weekend Team can help you register.

**33/26 Bible Trivia, July 20.** Congratulations—we made it halfway through our Project 66/52 Bible reading plan! Let's celebrate with some Bible trivia at Fellowship Hour next week. Grab your coffee and a snack and get ready for some fun. We'll start with some warm-up questions (perfect for kids) and then move into more challenging ones. Do you know what the 6th Commandment is? Do you remember the names of Joseph's two sons? Team up with your Bible expert friends! There will be prizes!

**PDA for Texas flooding victims.** As we watch the recovery efforts after the Texas Hill Country flooding, and pray for the victims, their families and communities, and responders, FCPC has sent a contribution to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Such donations provide emergency food and shelter in the first phases of disaster recovery in the impacted area. You can give directly to PDA or through the church online or by check. Please note "PDA" or "Texas flooding" in your giving.

**Prayer & Pose Yoga, Mondays at 5:00 p.m.** Join us for Prayer & Pose Yoga every Monday at 5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall Loft. Whether you are a devoted yogi or have never done yoga before, you are welcome. Led by Isabelle (Izzy) Ulsh. Registration is not required. Bring your own yoga mat, water, and towel.

**Project 66/52.** The congregation is reading the entire Bible in 2025. More information is in the Friday egram and at fallschurchpresby.org/6652. Week 28 reading plan:

Sun 7/13	Song of Songs <u>7, 8</u> ; Psalm <u>103</u>	Thurs 7/17	Isaiah <u>10, 11, 12</u>
Mon 7/14	Isaiah <u>1, 2, 3</u>	Fri 7/18	Isaiah <u>13, 14, 15, 16</u>
Tues 7/15	Isaiah <u>4, 5, 6</u> ; Psalm <u>104</u>	Sat 7/19	Isaiah <u>17, 18, 19, 20</u>
Wed 7/16	Isaiah 7, 8, 9		

**Interested in learning more about the Bible?** If you are reading along with Project 66/52 or just interested in exploring the Bible in a beautiful setting, consider joining your church friends on a trip to the Museum of the Bible! Please email Sue Armstrong at <u>sue.g2g.armstrong@gmail.com</u> to indicate your interest and preferred afternoon date(s): August 15, 16, 29 or 30.

# Church Calendar

#### Sunday, July 13 – 5th Sunday after Pentecost

Serendipity Class, 9:00 a.m., Conference Room VOICE + Justice Ministry Team, 9:00 a.m., Room 303 Worship Service, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary, in person and online Escape Weekend Fellowship Hour, 11:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall New Members Class, 11:30 a.m., Parlor Monday, July 14 Prayer & Pose Yoga, 5:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall Loft Tuesday, July 15 Escape Weekend Earlybird Discount Deadline Wednesday, July 16 Third Wednesday Welcome Table, 11:00 a.m.-7:15 p.m., Fellowship Hall/Kitchen 66/52 Bible Book Club, 7:00 p.m., Zoom Wednesday Evening Project 66/52 Group, 7:00 p.m., Zoom Thursday, July 17 – No scheduled events Friday, July 18 – No scheduled events Saturday, July 19 – Bible Study & Fellowship Group, 8:00 a.m., Parlor Sunday, July 20 – 6th Sunday after Pentecost Matthew 25 Group, 9:00 a.m., Room 303 Serendipity Class, 9:00 a.m., Conference Room Worship Service, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary, in person and online Project 66/52 Halfway Mark Celebration & Bible Trivia, 11:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall

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, Pastor | The Rev. Megan Klose, Associate Pastor Dr. Don Armstrong, Director of Music | Dr. Lisa Bloy, Organist

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The opening line of this hymn was inspired by the three divine attributes listed in 1 Timothy 1:17 (King James Version), and it continues by considering how God's life exceeds our own finite existence. The text is well set to a Welsh melody shaped by many three-note units.

DEDICATION AND STEWARDSHIP



John Wesley learned the original German hymn from the Moravians during his time in Savannah, Georgia, and translated all sixteen stanzas. The tune, named for a 4th-century martyr, comes out of the Roman Catholic revival movement of the mid-19th century.

DISCIPLESHIP AND MISSION



Like many hymns that adults have come to cherish, this text based on Jesus' calling of the disciple Andrew was written for a 19th-century collection of hymns for children. The popular tune used here was composed for these words more than a quarter of a century later.