



FARMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
June 16, 2024

Worship Online at 11:00am Sunday Mornings

www.farmingtonpres.org

Click "Worship Together"

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

based on Colossians 3:16-17

Holy God, may I allow the message of Christ, in all its richness, to live in me and completely fill my life. May we teach and instruct one another with all wisdom. May our singing of psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs be inspired by the Spirit, so that grace sings in our hearts. Whatever I do, whether it is word or action, may I do it as a representative of the Lord Jesus. Amen.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Jim Thrash

Voluntary on "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

*CALL TO WORSHIP

From North and South, we come to worship, bringing our fears and our questions.

God meets us here in the welcome of other people, in the words of Scripture, and in the stirring of our hearts to respond.

From East and West, we come to worship, bringing our hopes and our searching.

God meets us here in the person beside us, in the melody of the hymns, and in the longing of our hearts to praise.

As one great fellowship, we come to worship to be embraced as God's own,

God opens our eyes to see God's presence among us, opens our ears to hear God's voice, and then sends us out to live and work as Christ's faithful disciples throughout the whole wide earth.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN - NO. 317

"In Christ There Is No East or West"

In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north, but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.

In Christ shall true hearts everywhere their high communion find; his service is the golden chord close-binding human kind.

Join hands, disciples of the faith, what-e'er your race may be. All children of the living God are surely kin to me.

In Christ now meet both east and west; in him meet south and north. All Christly souls are one in him through-out the whole wide earth.

(Please be seated.)

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All-knowing God, if we were self-sufficient, and had all the answers, we would not be here. If our deeds perfectly reflected our best intentions, we would not be so spiritually hungry. If we had cared for our neighbors with the love of Jesus Christ, seen your image in those whom we recognize as enemy, and cherished our loved ones without selfishness or impatience, we would not be seeking your mercy, Redeeming God.

We bring to you our inept and prideful ways, and rest the troublesome load of frustration, disappointment, regret and guilt in your hands. Forgive us and lift our eyes to look into the face of Christ Jesus without shame or fear and follow his example in our lives.

(A time of silent prayer)

KYRIE Lord, have mercy upon us.
 Christ, have mercy upon us.
 Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH†

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

He was in the beginning with God.

All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made.

In him was life, and the life was the light of men.

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him.

For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible,

whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.

And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

“CAMP FIRELIGHT” VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Colossians 2:2-7

My goal is that they may be encouraged in heart and united in love, so that they may have the full riches of complete understanding, in order that they may know the mystery of God, namely, Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. I tell you this so that no one may deceive you by fine-sounding arguments. For though I am absent from you in body, I am present with you in spirit and delight to see how disciplined you are and how firm your faith in Christ is. So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Thy Word is a Lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

SERMON “United in Love”

Rev. Rebecca Luter

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please remember those on our prayer list.

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.

RESPOND TO GOD

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY “Come Sing Unto the Lord”

Martin

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him all creatures here below. Praise him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

O God, with faith and hope, we offer these gifts. Use them, even as you use us, to accomplish your purposes in Jesus Christ, the Head of the church and the Lord of our lives. Amen.

*HYMN – NO. 692 “Spirit, Open My Heart”

Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living. As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving. Spirit, open my heart.

God, replace my stony heart with a heart that’s kind and tender. All my coldness and fear to your grace I now surrender.

Refrain

Write your love upon my heart as my law, my goal, my story. In each thought, word, and deed, may my living bring you glory.

Refrain

May I weep with those who weep; share the joy of sister, brother. In the welcome of Christ, may we welcome one another. *Refrain*

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING FORTH HYMN No. 80 “You Shall Go Out with Joy”

You Shall Go Out with joy shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace; the mountains and the hills will break forth before you; there’ll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.

*POSTLUDE “Finale in Eb Major”

Raffy

*Stand as able.

Bold Type – congregation in unison

†John 1:1-5; 9-10; Colossians 3:16-17 (ESV) adapted from Christ-Centered Worship by Bryan Chapell

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Participating in the service today:

Rev. Rebecca Luter, Pastor
Jim Thrash, Director of Music
Tom Bryant, Accompanist
Elizabeth Demaree, Liturgist
Paula Gale and Scott Hutchins, Ushers
Acolyte
Chancel Choir



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AND RECORDED. ATTENDEES
IMPLICITLY AGREE THAT THEY, AND
ANY CHILDREN ACCOMPANYING
THEM, MAY BE ON CAMERA.

Welcome IN THE NAME OF JESUS, THE CHRIST

We hope that you will sense the presence of the Holy Spirit in this place and find here a place that feels like home. We are grateful for the visitors and friends of the Farmington family who add to our community each week.

Need more information? Want to sign up for something? Looking for the livestream of worship? Go to our website: www.farmingtonpres.org

Need to give us information? Want to ask a question? Looking for assistance with signing up? Email us at: church@farmingtonpres.org

How do I join the church? Members are received by Profession of Faith, Reaffirmation of Faith, and Transfer of Membership from another congregation. If you are interested in joining, please let Rev. Rebecca know or email church@farmingtonpres.org. We look forward to officially welcoming you into the Farmington Presbyterian Church family!

Prayer Concerns and Pastoral Care You are encouraged to complete a Prayer Concern card in the pew rack to add someone to the church's prayer list. Copies of the complete list are available in the folder under the Prayer Board in the office. You may reach Rev. Rebecca Luter at (901)674-8000 or rluter@farmingtonpres.org.

Happenings AT FARMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN

This Sunday

Flowers this morning are given to the glory of God by Chris & Rebecca Luter in celebration of their wedding anniversary and the Baptisms of their children.

No Fellowship Coffee today, Sunday, June 16th. To sign up to host Fellowship Coffee on our website to provide refreshments following worship, www.farmingtonpres.org Please keep it simple-something sweet and something salty.

This Week

Moms-Ercise Class We will begin a new exercise class in the Youth Room every Thursday at 6:30pm during the summer. Each class is \$5 per person. All skill levels welcome. We will alternate each week between Circuit (full body workout) and Dance Jam (aerobic dance). Circuit will be June 20th.

Announcements

2024-25 Presbyterian Women Bible Study book, "Let Justice Roll Down: God's Call to Care for Neighbors and All Creation" by Patricia K. Tull, are available for purchase. Please contact Melissa Still at still_melissa@yahoo.com or 901-246-4214 if you would like a book. All are welcome to purchase the book whether or not you plan to attend the Bible Study. Cost is \$11 per book.

Food Pantry Collection Farmington is collecting food pantry items for the Oakland Presbyterian Church Food Pantry. Canned meats, vegetables, pasta sauce, peanut butter, etc. can be dropped off in the basket by the West entrance of the church.

2024 Flower Calendar Giving flowers for worship is a way to remember those we love and celebrate significant moments in our lives. You may sign up on our website under “Sign-ups.”

Bulletin Mailing List While we were all worshipping online, we sent a bulletin weekly to every household. If you are returning to worship in the Sanctuary and would like to be removed from the weekly mailing or if you are worshipping online and would like to be added to the weekly mailing, please email us at church@farmingtonpres.org and let us know.

Communications from the Church If you do not get the Happenings email each week and would like to, please email and let us know. We also send text reminders about upcoming Farmington events. You can get those by texting “@farmfam” to “81010.”

Gathered to Worship...Sent to Serve In response to God’s blessings and to support what God is doing through the Farmington family, you can make your offering through the website, using a checking account, or mail your offering to Farmington Presbyterian Church, 8245 Farmington Boulevard, Germantown, TN 38139.

This week at Farmington... we have been learning to Trust God: to go with us, to lead the way, to share wisdom, to give us peace, and to spark joy! Our summer camp adventure with God at Camp Firelight has come to an end, but the lessons will go with us. Thank you to all who helped decorate and who volunteered for making this week such a joy-filled success!

Remember in Prayer...Our Farmington Family, Session and Staff; Greta Alera, Jackie Baker, Barbara Beard, Kevin Beard, Betty Boyd, Kitty Cannon, Jeanne Carr, Judith Cassidy, Mary Lou Collins, Joe Gaul, Bill Harrington, Martha Hart, Robert Herring, Vanessa Howard, Gary Hutchins, Catherine Johnson, Bill Jones, Bill Knight, Carol Lovell, Faye McKenzie, Sara Millar, Stan Neighbors, Kathryn Moots Newhouse, Nancy & Dennis Palmer, Harley Patterson, Pat Register, Bill Renfrow, Jack Scherer, JoAnne Simpkins, Williams Stevens, Kathy VanderEcken, Jim Waller, Kasi Wann, Frank Whited, Reggie & Pam Wilson, Faye Woods, and from our Presbytery: Presbyterian Men Groups, Black Presbyterian Caucus Ministers, Candidates, Inquirers, Commissioned Ruling Elders & Deacons.

Sympathies... to the family and friends of Harland Lovell, husband of Carol Lovell and father of Rev. Ruth Lovell Bradham (Bo), to the family and friends of Eleanor Miller, aunt of John Hazen and to the family and friends of Skip Flannery, friend of Terri Neeley.

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