



**FARMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP**

Third Sunday of Easter

May 4, 2025

Worship Online at 11:00am Sunday Mornings

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ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP[†]

Lord Jesus Christ, as you met your disciples just after daybreak on the beach, meet us at the dawning of this new day. As you filled their nets with fish, fill our lives with love and grace, more than we can ask or imagine. In your holy name we pray. Amen.

WELCOME

Visitors and members are encouraged to fill out the attendance folder located on the center aisle of each pew and pass it to those seated along the pew.

PRELUDE "Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise!"

R. Williams

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

O Lord our God, you are worthy of our praise!

You have heard our cries, restored our lives, and rescued us from the grave.

You'd think, by now, we would get used to you showing up, inviting us to cast the net deeper and wider,

showing us that the way to abundance is leaning into new possibilities.

You'd think, by now, we would open ourselves to your presence,

lifting praises as you multiply the gifts we share and show us that the way to flourishing is community.

You'd think, by now, we would recognize that your way is love

and your vision for the world is for all creation, including every person, to live in mutual belovedness.

***HYMN OF PRAISE – No. 265**

Verses 1, 4, and 5

"Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun"

(Please be seated.)

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION†

**Generous Creator, forgive us when we believe the lies that
scarcity tells us:
if they just worked harder...
I've earned everything I have...
there won't be enough if I share...
I have to protect what's mine...
safety comes from holding on to what I have...
I can't count on anyone but myself...
Gracious Redeemer, teach us to cast our nets differently.**

(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 – No. 581

**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

from A Brief Statement of Faith

**We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus
proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the
poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed
and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the
brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and
calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly
condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified,
suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the
sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead,
vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.**

THROUGH CHILDREN'S EYES

Rev. Rebecca Luter & J.B. Wann

All children are invited to come to the Chancel steps.

Afterward, young children may remain or proceed to the nursery.

Worship bags are available beside the entrance to the Sanctuary.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON

Acts 5:27-32

Pew Bible Page No. 1699

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

SECOND LESSON

John 21:1-14, 25

Pew Bible Page No. 1687

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

RESPONSE TO THE WORD – NO. 587 “Alleluia!”

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

SERMON “I’m Going Out to Fish”

Rev. Rebecca Luter

RESPOND TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please remember those on our prayer list.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM “In the Breaking of the Bread”

Ward

In the walking on the road, we saw him. In the telling of our hopes, we saw him. In the burning of our hearts, we saw the Lord. At the meal he took the bread and then he blessed it, broke it, offered it. In the breaking of the bread, we saw him! Suddenly our eyes were opened, and we knew he was alive! But then we became afraid without him. In the darkened room we stayed without him, waiting for the one he said that he would send. Then the Spirit of the Lord came down upon us, filling us, changing us, giving us the strength to say: We saw him!

We ran out into the street to tell them, everyone that we could meet, to tell them, “God has raised him up and we have seen the Lord! We took bread as he had done and then we blessed it, broke it, offered it. In the breaking of the bread, we saw him! Suddenly our eyes were opened. There within our midst was Jesus and we knew he was alive.

*DOXOLOGY – NO. 606

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

God of grace, all that we have comes from you; you have filled our nets to bursting. Receive our gifts of thanksgiving and praise and use them for your glory and the good of your people, in the name of Christ, the Lamb. Amen.

THE INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise...

SUNG RESPONSES – No. 552, 553, & 554

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.

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

*HYMN - No. 157

Verses 1, 2, 4, and 5

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING FORTH HYMN No. 648

“Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise”

Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell everyone what God has done. Let everyone who seeks the Lord rejoice and bear the name of Christ. Send us with your promises and lead your people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

*POSTLUDE “Psalm 93”

William Owen

*Stand as able.

Bold Type – congregation in unison



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AND RECORDED. ATTENDEES
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ANY CHILDREN ACCOMPANYING
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Participating in the service today:

Rev. Rebecca Luter, Pastor

Jim Thrash, Director of Music

Tom Bryant, Accompanist

Davis Howe, Interim Youth Director

Susan Bryant, Liturgist

Rev. Rebecca Luter and J.B. Wann, Children's Moment

Jinney Hart and Scott Hutchins, Ushers

Bonnie Blair, Susan Bryant, Ann Erickson,

Roland Mittag, Kasi Wann, Communion Servers

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

Flowers The flowers this morning are given to the glory of God by Roland Mittag in honor of all 2025 high school graduates, as well as Olivia's upcoming birthday.

Potluck Following worship this morning, we will enjoy a potluck lunch together in the Fellowship Hall. Whether you brought a dish or not, you are encouraged to stay and enjoy a time of fellowship at the table. There is always a gracious plenty. Please stay, as you are able, to cleanup; many hands make light work.

Mother's and Father's Day Cards Give a parent you want to thank or encourage a gift that gives twice. Cards will be available for purchase during Potluck today for \$10 each and the sales benefit Rise Against Hunger.

Youth Fellowship Sunday evenings the youth meet in the Youth Room from 5:30-7:30pm for a time of fellowship, games, faith-building, and food. Friends are welcome!

Sunday School Classes

Children's Sunday School Children meet at 10am in A6 for fun, engaging lessons on Bible stories led each week by volunteers from the congregation.

Youth Sunday School Youth (6th-12th grades) meet in the Youth Room at 10am. Interim Youth Director Davis Howe leads this class; we are currently studying Wendy Farley's *The Thirst of God*.

Adult Sunday School Rev. Rebecca Luter facilitates a Bible study of the Scriptures for worship. Participants have shared that this time of preparation for worship deepens their experience of the service and understanding of the sermon. All are welcome to attend any Sunday at 10am in the East Room.

Coming Up

Spring Picnic and Silent Auction Our spring picnic will be at Farmington this year as we welcome church and school families for an evening of outdoor fun. On May 14th from 5-7pm, we will have hamburgers and hotdogs (\$10/adult, \$5/child, \$30/family maximum), face-painting, silent auction, and the music of Sarah Spain, lead singer of Landslide. Bring a folding chair and be ready to bid – we have some great auction items to support Rise Against Hunger.

Recognition of Graduates If you, or a member of your family, are graduating in 2025, we want to recognize this milestone in worship. Please email Rev. Rebecca and ensure that your graduation is celebrated by your Farmington family.

VBS Volunteers If you are able to volunteer during VBS or would be willing to do prep work from home, please email Rev. Rebecca and let us know! We hope you will go with us as we "Road Trip with God" June 16-20.

Announcements

Mark Your Calendar June 8 is FPC 50th Anniversary Celebration.

Church Emails Each week, a Sunday email is sent with the link for online worship, the Happenings, and the Prayer List. In addition, a Mid-Week email is regularly sent with reminders and the New Vision newsletter is sent monthly. If you are not receiving church emails, and would like to, please email church@farmingtonpres.org and let us know.

2025 Fellowship Coffee Sign up to host Fellowship Coffee on our website under “Sign-ups” or in the church office to provide refreshments following worship on a 3rd Sunday. You may sign up to provide either something sweet or something savory.

2025 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” or on in the church office.

Food Pantry Collection Farmington collects 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.

Bulletin Mailing List If you would like to be added to or removed from the weekly mailing of the bulletin, please email us at church@farmingtonpres.org and let us know.

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 Our Rise Against Hunger packaging event last Sunday brought together church members, Boy Scouts, and volunteers from the community to assemble meal packets to provide \$8,000 in meals (18,576 meals). In the last 9 years, Farmington has packaged over 136,000 meals!

Remember in Prayer Our Farmington Family, Session and Staff; Jackie Baker, Hank Baron, Kevin Beard, Elsie Black, Betty Boyd, Jeanne Carr, Judith Cassidy, Mark Fisher, Chelsea Moyer Fitzpatrick, Joe Gaul, Betsabet Guzman, Rob Hall, Bill Harrington, Martha Hart, Pam James, Chris and Sabrina Johnson, Bill Jones, Bill Knight, Annette Main, Bobette Manees, Sara Millar, Bill Novic, Nancy & Dennis Palmer, Saundra Piggies, Pat Register, Bill Renfrow, Caitlin Shirazee, JoAnne Simpkins, Molly Smith, William Stevens, Jon Still, Kasi Wann, Frank Whited, Reggie Wilson, and from our Presbytery: Pray for Older Adults, Disability Inclusivcness.

Sympathy to the family and friends...of Jack Webb, brother of Brenda Geise and of Elizabeth Hall, mother of Rob Hall.

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