



**FARMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP**  
**Seventh Sunday of Easter**  
**June 1, 2025**

Worship Online at 11:00am Sunday Mornings

[www.farmingtonpres.org](http://www.farmingtonpres.org)

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**ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME**

**PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

Holy God, you give us a vision of your new creation, your home among mortals on earth. All peoples and nations stream to your presence and find nourishment, healing, and peace. As we seek to share your dream, you call us to move beyond our comfortable assumptions and alliances, to risk and to trust your vision as attainable. Enliven our faith and witness that through deepened prayer we might rise to action in your service. 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** "There is a Happy Land" arr. George Shearing

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

We come to this place of prayer,

**With our hopes and dreams, our fears and doubts.**

We come to this place of grace,

**To learn compassion and joy, and discover how deeply we are loved.**

We come with these people called the church,

**To be blessed by the variety of gifts, and live in unity for our God.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE – No. 662** "Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies"

*(Please be seated.)*

## CALL TO RECONCILIATION

When we confess our sin, we face up to ourselves. God loves us, but we have not loved God; God calls us, but we have not listened. We have walked away from need, gone along with evil, allowed pride, and perpetuated division. Let us honestly repent and seek God's mercy as we confess our sins against God and neighbor:

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of all, we confess that we have not done all that is possible to promote peace in our world. We have not loved our neighbors, let alone our enemies. We have remained silent when confronted with tyranny and oppression, failing to speak your call to justice for all. Forgive us for not living according to your commandments. Keep us from being complacent in our comfort, from turning away from those who suffer. Empower us to work for your light to shine in all this world and in the darkness of our own hearts.**

*(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

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*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

God of promise, your Word made flesh in Jesus the Christ is trustworthy and true. By the power of your Holy Spirit, may it rise up in us this day like a gift from the spring of the water of life to refresh our thirsty souls. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Ephesians 1:15-23

Pew Bible Page No.1818

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

SECOND LESSON

John 17:20-26

Pew Bible Page No.1680

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

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

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

SERMON “Our Unity Is Our Witness”

Rev. Rebecca Luter

**RESPOND TO GOD**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Please remember those on our prayer list.*

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

arr. Emma Lou Diemer

“Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee”

\*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, accept these gifts and our lives for the ministry of reconciliation to which you call us. May they be blessings**

**for your people in this community and beyond; through Jesus Christ we pray. 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

COMMUNION HYMN “In Remembrance of Me”

*(Choir sings and congregation is invited to join as the Spirit leads.)*

***In remembrance of me, eat this bread, In remembrance of me, drink this wine. In remembrance of me, open the door and let your neighbors in, let them in.***

***Take, eat, and be comforted; drink and remember too, that this is my body and precious blood shed for you, shed for you, shed for you.***

***In remembrance of me, search for truth. In remembrance of me, always love. In remembrance of me, don't look above, but in your heart, look for God. Do this in remembrance of me.***

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

\*HYMN - No. 485 “We Know That Christ is Raised”

\*BENEDICTION

We come to this Table to be made one with Christ and one with each other, then we go into the world to live in love, abide in peace, and serve the Lord, confident that God goes with us.

\*SENDING FORTH HYMN No. 648

“Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise”

\*POSTLUDE “Lauda Anima”

John Goss

\*Stand as able.

**Bold Type** – congregation in unison



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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  
Laurinda Ingram, Liturgist  
Sharaze Colley, Children’s Moment  
Elizabeth Demaree and Jennifer Young, Ushers  
Rebecca Hutchins, Laurinda Ingram, Jerry Renfrow,  
Mike Schneider, and Jennifer Young, 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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:rluter@farmingtonpres.org).

# Happenings AT FARMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN

**Flowers** The flowers this morning are given to the glory of God by Rev. Rebecca Luter in celebration of her mother, Kay Patterson's birthday.

**Coffee in the Narthex** After worship this morning, you are encouraged to enjoy coffee, cookies, and fellowship in the Narthex.

**Middle School Kick-off** This afternoon, June 1, at 2pm there will be a giant water balloon fight (and food and drinks) to kick-off summer. All youth, rising 6<sup>th</sup> and older, are encouraged to attend!

**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 – Summer Break** Sunday School Classes for all ages except youth (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades) are on Summer Break until August 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Youth Sunday School** Youth (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> 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*.

## This Week

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration** Wear red to worship next Sunday, June 8, for Pentecost. We will celebrate that Farmington Presbyterian Church has been worshiping and serving God for 50 years. Be sure to invite your friends who have been part of the Farmington family to join you for worship and the reception and celebration following.

## Coming Up

**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. We still need help with snacks and preschool music.

**Service of Ordination** Paul King will be ordained as a Minister of Word and Sacrament by the Presbytery of the Mid-South at Farmington Presbyterian on Saturday, June 28, at 11am, with a reception following. All are invited to attend. Paul has been called to serve as Pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Greenville, MS.

## Announcements

**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](mailto: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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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](mailto: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** Preparations are underway for Vacation Bible School. If you are available to help with VBS preparations June 9-13, or if you can offer an extra set of hands during the week of June 16-20, please let Rev. Rebecca know! Lots of work goes into this mission with children behind the scenes. We will decorate the building after worship on Sunday, June 15.

**Remember in Prayer** Our Farmington Family, Session and Staff; Jackie Baker, Hank Baron, Kevin Beard, Elsie Black, Betty Boyd, Jeanne Carr, Deni Carroll, Judith Cassidy, RB Davis, Mark Fisher, Chelsea Moyer Fitzpatrick, Joe Gaul, Betzabet Guzman, Rob Hall, Bill Harrington, Martha Hart, Pam James, Chris and Sabrina Johnson, Bill Jones, Bill Knight, Iris Lawing, Annette Main, Sara Millar, Bill Novic, Nancy & Dennis Palmer, Sandra 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: Trinity Presbyterian Church, Martin, TN.

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