FARMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP
Christ the King
November 22, 2026

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP†

God of all people, you welcome us. In the faces of one another we see your face. Help us to look each other in the eye. Lead us from our comfortable corners toward those who live different lives and those we have forgotten or overlooked. Bring us face-to-face with service and humility, and call us into reconciliation with you, with creation, and with one another. 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 "Crown Him with Many Crowns" Elvey

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is the first and the last,
our beginning and our end.
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord our God,
who was, and is, and is to come.
Blessing and honor, glory and majesty be to our God,
now and evermore.

*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 363 "Rejoice, the Lord Is King!

Please be seated.

CALL TO RECONCILIATION†

PRAYER OF CONFESSION*

God of love, you created us to love you and one another. We confess that we have sometimes limited that love to words, and failed to make that love real by our actions. We have failed to recognize Christ in the hungry, the thirsty, the homeless, the naked, the incarcerated and the sick. Too often, we have turned away from your presence, failing to share what we have with our brothers and sisters in need. Forgive us. Turn our hearts, and guide us to follow in your ways anew.

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 the Confession of Belhar

We believe that God is the one who wishes to bring about justice and true peace among people. We believe that God, in a world full of injustice and enmity, is in a special way the God of the destitute, the poor, and the wronged. We believe that God brings justice to the oppressed and gives bread to the hungry. We believe that God frees the prisoner and restores sight to the blind. We believe that God supports the downtrodden, protects the stranger, helps orphans and widows, and blocks the path of the ungodly.

CELEBRATION OF MINISTRY Paula Gale

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON

Ezekiel 34:11–16, 20–24 Pew Bible 1341

This is the Word of the Lord! **Thanks be to God!**

SECOND LESSON

Matthew 25:31–46 Pew Bible 1542

This is the Word of the Lord! **Thanks be to God!**

RESPONSE TO THE WORD – NO. 587 "Alleluia!"

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

SERMON "When Did We See You?" Rev. Dr. Barbara Johnson

RESPOND TO GOD

PRAYER CONCERNS – *Please remember those on our prayer list.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "He Leadeth Me" Wegner

He leadeth me, O blessed thought, O words with heavenly comfort fraught! Whate'er I do, where're I be, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom, sometime where Eden's bowers bloom, by waters calm, o'er troubled sea, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me. He leadeth me, he leadeth me, by his own hand he leadeth me. His faithful follower I would be, for by his hand he leadeth me.

Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine, nor ever murmur nor repine; content whatever lot I see, since 'tis my God that leadeth me. And when my task on earth is done when by thy grace the victory's won, e'en death's cold wave I will not flee, since God through Jordan leadeth me. He leadeth me, he leadeth me, by his own hand he leadeth me.

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

Generous God, you envision a world where the hungry are fed and strangers are welcomed. We bring you our gifts to put your vision into action. Bless them and the lives they will touch so that the love of Jesus Christ wears a human face again for those who need him in our time. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN – NO. 766 "The Church of God Cannot be Bound" Verses 1, 3, and 4

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

SENDING FORTH HYMN – NO. 295 "Go to the World" Verse 4

Go to the world! Go as the ones I send, for I am with you till the age shall end, when all the hosts of glory cry "Amen!" Alleluia. Alleluia.

POSTLUDE "Let All Things Now Living" arr. Burkhardt

*-Rise in body or spirit. **Bold Type-**Participate in unison.

Children are welcome in worship, and worship bags are available from an usher.
A nursery is located across from the Sanctuary.

† Preparation for Worship/Call to Reconciliation - Office of Faith & Worship in Presbyterian (USA) Church
*Prayer of Confession - (***https://www.ucc.org/oghs_2017_worship_resources***)**
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LIVE STREAMING

THIS SERVICE IS BEING LIVE-STREAMED AND RECORDED. ATTENDEES IMPLICITLY AGREE THAT THEY, AND ANY CHILDREN ACCOMPANYING THEM, MAY BE ON CAMERA.

Worship Online at 11:00
Sunday Mornings www.farmingtonpres.org, click "Worship with us!"

WELCOME

We seek to be a community that is a home for all of God's family with a heart for God's world. We hope that you will sense the presence of the Holy Spirit in this place and find that you feel at 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 (for those who have never been a member of a church), Reaffirmation of Faith (for those who have joined a church in the past but not been involved in a while), and Transfer of Membership (for those who are coming from active participation in another church). If you are interested in knowing more about Farmington Presbyterian or about joining, let Rev. Rebecca or Rev. Barb 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 church office. You may reach Rev. Rebecca Luter at (901)674-8000 or rluter@farmingtonpres.org.

Large print hymnals and hearing assistance devices are available from the ushers.

HAPPENINGS

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

Sanctuary Flowers The flowers this morning are given to the glory of God by Rev. Rebecca Luter in celebration of the birthdays of Chris, Nic, and Lizzie Luter and Cooper Patterson.

Hanging of the Green Immediately following worship this morning we will enjoy a light lunch together and decorate the Sanctuary for Advent and Christmas. Whether you are able to sit and "fluff bows" or be an eye for whether the wreaths are level or climb a ladder, there is a job for you! Stay and enjoy the fun!

Confirmation and Youth Fellowship Happy Thanksgiving! We will meet next on December 6 from 4:30-6pm to decorate the youth room for Christmas and review our Confirmation lessons.

Sunday School Class Bob Freymeyer is leading a class at 10am in the East Room discussing *Being Presbyterian in the Bible Belt: A Theological Survival Guide for Youth, Parents, and other Confused*

Presbyterians by Ted V. Foote, Jr., and P. Alex Thornburg. The class will consider both the theological issues of what being Presbyterian means as well as the role of religion in the South more generally. Bob is a Professor Emeritus of Sociology at Presbyterian College. Much of his research focused on the social and demographic conditions and recent changes in the American South. The book is available on Amazon for $9.33, or you can purchase it on your Kindle. If you would like for the church to place an order for you, please email church@farmingtonpres.org and let us know.

Advent Devotions Until the Dawn devotional guides are available in the Narthex in booklet size or in large print. If you would like one delivered to you, email church@farmingtonpres.org or leave a message for Renee in the church office at (901) 754-2794.

Movie and Bible Study Beginning on Dec. 1 and each Tuesday of Advent Rev. Rebecca will lead a Bible study at 10am in the East Room based on *A Christmas Carol*. Each Tuesday we will begin by watching a segment of the movie and then discuss relevant Bible passages on the themes of the movie. All are encouraged to attend and to invite a friend.

Wednesday Night Dinner and Christmas Carol Sing-a-long Our own Dr. Tom Bryant will once again be leading us in a time of singing our favorite Christmas carols after dinner on December 2. Dinner is at 6pm and Caroling is in the Sanctuary at 6:45pm. Cost of dinner is $10/adult and $5/child, with a $30 family maximum.

Christmas Carol Caravan On December 6 at 2pm we will leave from the back parking lot to carol to those who are unable to come to worship this Christmas season. You do not have to be able to sing to spread Christmas cheer! Your Farmington friends will be happy to see you.

Mexico Cistern Mission Trip It is time to purchase flights for our 2027 trip. We will travel to Xpujil, Mexico, from January 11-16 to build cisterns for 4 families. If you are planning to go or want more information about going, please let Rev. Rebecca know.

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.

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 call Renee at (901)203-3031 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 by texting FarmPresGive (not case-sensitive) to 1-888-364-GIVE (4483) in order to receive a reply with the link to your giving interface, scan this

QR code with your phone's camera, or mail your offering to Farmington Presbyterian Church, 8245 Farmington Boulevard, Germantown, TN 38139.

This Week at Farmington We have much for which to be thankful. We enjoyed a wonderful gathering Wednesday evening for Thanksgiving Dinner and Worship. The preschoolers of FPDS shared feasts on Thursday and Friday. Thank you to all who donated to the Oakland Presbyterian 24/7/365 Food Pantry for Thanksgiving. Please continue to remember this collection – items may be donated at the West entrance year-round.

Holiday Schedule Farmington Presbyterian Church and Day School will be closed November 25-27. Happy Thanksgiving!

PRAYER CONCERNS

Remember in Prayer Our Farmington Family, Session, and Staff; Earleen Anderson, Kathy and Bill Argo, Harrison Ashley, Jackie Baker, Kevin Beard, Bonnie Blair, Judith Cassidy, Jim Collins, Jane David, Dan Freymeyer, Rev. Mary Gale, Brenda Geise, Adrienne Pakis Gillion, Betzabe Guzman, Bill Harrington, Martha Hart, Annette Hosier, Jerry Hosier, Peter Kendall, Bill Knight, Kristie Lively, Annette Main, Orvaline Mann, Steve Milinkovich, Sara Millar, Beth Morris, Saundra Piggies, Robbie Pike, Bill Renfrow, Ellen Renfrow, Pat Sherman, Karen Smaili, Emma Dean Van Frank, William Stephens, Jon Still, Liese Thomas, Joan Wallace, Barbara White, Frank Whited, and from our Presbytery: First Presbyterian Church, Caruthersville, TN.

Sympathy to the family and friends of Susan Phipps, grandmother of Davis Howe.

FARMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Rebecca Luter, Pastor
Rev. Dr. Barb Johnson, Associate Pastor
Davis Howe, Youth Director
Jim Thrash, Director of Music
Dr. Tom Bryant, Accompanist

PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE TODAY

Chris Luter, Liturgist
Paula Gale, Celebration of Ministry
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