



**FARMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP**  
**Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**June 28, 2020**

Worship Online at 11:00am Sunday Mornings

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

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**ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME**

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Lord God, we come to worship with thirst in our hearts. The concerns of our lives and our world weigh us down. We thirst for healing in our world: healing of our planet, healing of the nations, healing from the pandemic, healing in relationships. We thirst for righteousness, for your Will to be done. We thirst for your signs of life among us. Show us your Way where there seems to be no way. Where our eyes are focused on roadblocks and dead ends, lift our eyes to worship you and quench our thirst, filling our hearts with faith, and hope, and love. Amen.

WELCOME

PRELUDE "Adagio"

Villette

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, all who thirst—come to worship the Living Water!  
**You who are parched and wandering—come and drink!**

Quench your thirst at God's well of grace.

**For God is here among us.**

God guides us and sustains us; God makes a way where there is no way.

**And God offers living water to all who would drink!**

Let us worship God together!

HYMN OF PRAISE – No. 65 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

**Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land. I am weak, but thou art mighty. Hold me with thy**

powerful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more; feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow. Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through. Strong deliverer, strong deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield; be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside. Death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side. Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to thee; I will ever give to thee.

#### CALL TO RECONCILIATION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

With sorrowful hearts, we come before you, O God, to confess what you already know— we have failed to keep your laws. We have pursued our dreams and desires and chosen our selfish will over your Will and your Way shown to us in Jesus. Forgive us, Redeeming God, send down your fire to refine our hearts. Cleanse us and our society from our faults. Forgive us for ignoring your voice and the voices of those in need. Forgive our apathy, our lethargy, our indifference to those who cry out. Cleanse the meditations of all our hearts that are unacceptable in your sight; refine us by the flame of your Spirit that we would be restored to live in its light.

#### 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

**We believe in one God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

**We praise God, who created and is creating everything: the universe, the world, the plants and animals, and us; each of us, unique, individual and beloved of God.**

**We proclaim Jesus Christ, the crucified and risen one, full of grace and truth, who turns the other cheek, goes the second mile,**

**brings healing with his touch, and teaches us both with words and example to live for God's glory.**

**In the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we are drawn together as the body of Christ in the world, the beginning of a new creation. We acknowledge that we live and work between the time of Christ's death and resurrection and the time to come when God's Kingdom is fully realized.**

**In this time, we are a pilgrim people, always on the way towards the promised goal; on the way, Christ feeds us with Word and Sacrament, and we have the gift of the Spirit in order that we may not lose the way. We will live and work within the faith and unity of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, bearing witness to that unity which is both Christ's gift and his will. Together with all the people of God, we will serve the world for which Christ died and await God's Kingdom with expectant hope.**

## **PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING            2 Corinthians 5:16-21

So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

### THROUGH CHILDREN'S EYES

Becky Hutchins

SECOND READING            Exodus 17:1-7

The whole Israelite community set out from the Desert of Sin, traveling from place to place as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to



See that band all dressed in red, it looks like the band that Moses led. Wade in the water, children; God's gonna trouble the water.

#### 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

**Holy God, we rejoice in the gift of your Holy Spirit, that ignites the desire in our hearts to seek you, that draws us together to live as your hands and feet in the world, that fills us with compassion, grace, and love. We dedicate ourselves and our offerings to your purposes in the world through Farmington's mission by the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.**

#### HYMN – No. 720 “Jesus Calls Us”

**Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult of our life's wild, restless sea;  
day by day his sweet voice soundeth saying, “Christian, follow me.”**

**Jesus calls us from the worship of the vain world's golden store,  
from each idol that would keep us, saying, “Christian, love me more.”**

**In our joys and in our sorrow, days of toil and hours of ease,  
still he calls, in cares and pleasures, “Christian, love me more than these.”**

**Jesus calls us: by thy mercies, Savior, may we hear thy call,  
give our hearts to thine obedience, serve and love thee best of all.**

#### BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Allegro Maestoso

Handel

**Bold Type** – congregation in unison

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### **Participating in the service today:**

Rev. Rebecca Luter, Pastor  
Doug Barr, Director of Christian Education  
Jim Thrash, Director of Music  
Tom Bryant, Accompanist  
Bonnie Blair, Liturgist  
Becky Hutchins, Children's Moment  
Chancel Choir

## Welcome IN THE NAME OF JESUS, THE CHRIST

We hope that you have sensed the presence of the Holy Spirit in this place and find here a place that feels like home. If you are interested in more information about the life of our congregation or in becoming a member, please speak with our pastor, Rev. Rebecca Luter. You may reach her by email at [rluter@farmingtonpres.org](mailto:rluter@farmingtonpres.org) or by phone in the church office, 901-754-2794.

New members are received by the Session in one of three ways: Profession of Faith for those who have not previously joined a church, Transfer of Membership for those who are moving their membership from another congregation, or Reaffirmation of Faith for those who have been inactive for some time in church or who wish to rededicate themselves to Christ and his ministry in the world through the church.

## Happenings AT FARMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN

**A Message from Session** While we are not able to worship together, the church is still carrying out the work and mission of God in the world. And, while we are not gathering on Sunday, the expenses of the church continue. If you have kept your pledge current, thank you. If you are able to bring your pledge current or make an offering at this time, your gift is critical. If you are not able to give in this time, we understand. You can make your offering through the website, using a checking account, at [www.farmingtonpres.org](http://www.farmingtonpres.org) or mail your offering to Farmington Presbyterian Church, 8245 Farmington Boulevard, Germantown, TN 38139.

**Youth Group** will meet this afternoon at 2pm on Zoom. Meeting ID: 77088458374 Password: farmyo.

**Monday Morning Bible Study** Mondays at 9am Rev. Rebecca leads a study of Walter Brueggemann's Reality, Grief, Hope: Three Urgent Prophetic Tasks. Pointing out striking correlations between the catastrophe of 9/11 and the destruction of ancient Jerusalem, Brueggemann shows how the prophetic biblical response to that crisis was truth-telling in the face of ideology, grief in the face of denial, and hope in the face of despair. He argues that the same prophetic responses are urgently required from us in times of crisis. Go to [zoom.com](http://zoom.com) and enter the Meeting ID 869 8138 8088. The password is Bible.

**Worship on Wednesdays** Wednesday evenings from 5:15-5:45pm, bring your lawn chair as we worship together outdoors. Come a bit early to get set up so that we are all social distancing and wear your mask. In response to current advice of the CDC, we will not be singing. We will be gathered, we will hear the Word of God, and we will respond in praise! If it is raining, we will not gather.

**Holy Communion** will be served this week at the July 1<sup>st</sup> Worship on Wednesday Service. Please bring your own bread and juice to receive the Sacrament in a safe manner. If it is raining and the service is cancelled, Session has approved serving Communion on July 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Wednesday Night Dinners** Scott and Becky Hutchins (Firehutch Fine Foods) are now catering to-go orders for dinner to be picked up on Wednesday evenings at the church at 5:45pm. They are donating 10% back to Farmington. If you would like to order, please contact them at [firehutch@gmail.com](mailto:firehutch@gmail.com).

**Saturday Morning Small Group** Each Saturday morning at 10am, Ann Erickson and Jinney Hart will lead this group in discussion and study. As worship focuses on the Exodus, they are studying Steven Parrish's volume in the Six Themes Everyone Should Know series on Exodus. If you are interested in joining this "virtual/telephone" study, please let Rev. Rebecca, Ann, or Jinney know.

**Sunday Morning Seminary** Memphis Theological Seminary is offering free courses on Sunday mornings from 9-10am. Register to receive the Zoom link at [www.memphisseminary.edu](http://www.memphisseminary.edu). Past classes are also available to view on the site. The schedule is: Dr. Mitzi Minor on "The Gospel of Mark" June 7, 14, 21, & 28; Dr. Peter Gathje on "Christian Spirituality in a Time of Pandemic" July 5 & 12; Dr. Christopher Davis on "Worship in a Time of Pandemic" July 19 & 26; and Dr. Michael Turner on "Religion and the Civil War" August 2, 9, 16, & 23.

**FPDS Summer Camp** We are thankful to be able to serve our community as parents return to work. **Unless you are a staff member or a student, you will not be admitted into the building.** Members are strongly encouraged not to enter the building even if they have keys. It is important that we ensure that all surfaces that have been touched are clean. If you would like to meet with Rev. Rebecca, please call and make an appointment to meet off campus.

**This week at Farmington...**the choir came individually to the church to record "Wade in the Water," which was arranged by Jim Thrash for our worship this morning.

**Remember in Prayer...** Our Farmington Family, Session and Staff; Essential workers and all affected by Covid-19; the Junn Family in Asia; Jack Arendt, Mary Lou Barrentine, Paul Bourassa, Bo Bradham, Kenny Buckner, Jelena Colasurdo, Mary Lou Collins, D.J. Davis, Lisa Dick, Jane Egan, Ed Gallagher, Rev. Jim Hamilton, Bill Harrington, Jinney Hart, Adrian Heinz, Gary Hutchins, Rick Jacobs, Eric Jones, Joe Knittig, Ashley and Kevin Lewis,

Carol Lovell, Jane and David Mayo, Lori Millar, Sandy Nordmark, Beverly Ryan, JoAnne Simpkins, Patti Simpkins, Nancy Smith, William Stevens, Susan St. John, Faye Woods and from our Presbytery: Presbyterian Women, Presbyterian Men's Group and the Black Presbyterian Caucus.

**Sympathies...**to the family and friends of Jennifer Cottam, co-worker of Jackie Hall, to the family and friends of Jim Steen, husband of Lane and father of Josie and Will, and to the family and friends of Rick Dosh, friend of Kirsten King.

**Congratulations...**to Sara Millar on the birth of her great-granddaughter, Violet Willow Millar on June 9<sup>th</sup> and to Jim and Linda Turner on the birth of their granddaughter, Gabriella Dawn on June 8<sup>th</sup>.

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