



**FARMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP**  
**Second Sunday after Pentecost**  
**June 6, 2021**

Worship Online at 11:00am Sunday Mornings  
[www.farmingtonpres.org](http://www.farmingtonpres.org)  
Click "Worship with us!"

**ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME**

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Almighty God, you are the one True God, whom alone we worship and serve. We long for your presence in the midst of the dry and weary places of our lives. We praise you for your steadfast love is better than life itself. You have been our constant help, present with us in times of trouble. We praise you, along with all the earth, for you give us life and do not allow us to stumble in the darkness. Hear us as we pray in words and silence and bow down in worship. Amen.

WELCOME

PRELUDE "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship" arr. Tom Bryant

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Brothers and sisters in Christ, we have come to worship and to adore the Lord our God. Let us unite our voices in the liturgy:

**Liturgy is "the work of the people." Those of us in the Sanctuary have our bulletins and those at home have the words on the screen so that we are able to join in the work of worship together.**

Let us devote ourselves to prayer and to the Word, to fellowship and the breaking of bread.

**When the Holy Spirit is in our midst, there is holy manna showered all around.**

Let us love our God supremely; let us love each other too even though we are sinners.

Let us pray for one another 'till our God makes all things new, when at Christ's Table we will sit down. And Christ himself will serve us with sweet manna all around.

#### CALL TO RECONCILIATION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord God, your first commandment was that we shall put nothing ahead of you. We are to love you with all we are and all we have, but we put other things ahead of our relationship with you, God. Forgive us and restore us to right relationship with you, with your creation, and with one another.

#### KYRIE

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

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

#### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

What is the chief and highest end of man?

**Man's chief and highest end is to glorify God, and fully to enjoy him forever.**

**In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.**

**In Jesus Christ, God reconciled the world to Godself. Jesus Christ is God-with-us. In Jesus of Nazareth, true humanity was realized once for all. Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, lived among his own people and shared their needs, temptations, joys, and sorrows. He expressed the love of God in word and deed and became a brother to all kinds of sinful people. But his complete obedience led him into conflict with his people. His life and teaching judged their goodness, religious aspirations, and national hopes. Many rejected him and demanded his death. In giving himself freely for them, he took upon himself the judgement under which all humanity stands convicted. God raised him from the dead, vindicating him as Messiah and Lord. The victim of sin became the victor, and won the victory over sin and death for all.**

**In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives,**

even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,  
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

THROUGH CHILDREN'S EYES

Jennifer Young

## PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Psalm 65

Praise awaits you, our God, in Zion; to you our vows will be fulfilled. You who answer prayer, to you all people will come. When we were overwhelmed by sins, you forgave our transgressions. Blessed are those you choose and bring near to live in your courts! We are filled with the good things of your house, of your holy temple. You answer us with awesome and righteous deeds, God our Savior, the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas, who formed the mountains by your power, having armed yourself with strength, who stilled the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, and the turmoil of the nations. The whole earth is filled with awe at your wonders; where morning dawns, where evening fades, you call forth songs of joy. You care for the land and water it; you enrich it abundantly. The streams of God are filled with water to provide the people with grain, for so you have ordained it. You drench its furrows and level its ridges; you soften it with showers and bless its crops. You crown the year with your bounty, and your carts overflow with abundance. The grasslands of the wilderness overflow; the hills are clothed with gladness. The meadows are covered with flocks and the valleys are mantled with grain; they shout for joy and sing.

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

SECOND READING

Revelation 4:1-11

After this I looked, and there before me was a door standing open in heaven. And the voice I had first heard speaking to me like a trumpet said, "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this." At once I was in the Spirit, and there before me was a throne in heaven with someone sitting on it. And the one who sat there had the appearance of jasper and ruby. A rainbow that shone like an emerald encircled the throne. Surrounding the throne were twenty-four other thrones, and seated on them were twenty-four elders. They were dressed in white and had crowns of gold on their heads. From the throne

came flashes of lightning, rumblings and peals of thunder. In front of the throne, seven lamps were blazing. These are the seven spirits of God. Also in front of the throne there was what looked like a sea of glass, clear as crystal.

In the center, around the throne, were four living creatures, and they were covered with eyes, in front and in back. The first living creature was like a lion, the second was like an ox, the third had a face like a man, the fourth was like a flying eagle. Each of the four living creatures had six wings and was covered with eyes all around, even under its wings. Day and night they never stop saying: “Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, ’who was, and is, and is to come.”

Whenever the living creatures give glory, honor and thanks to him who sits on the throne and who lives for ever and ever, the twenty-four elders fall down before him who sits on the throne and worship him who lives for ever and ever. They lay their crowns before the throne and say: “You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being.”

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**Thanks be to God!**

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

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SERMON “To God Be the Glory”

Rev. Rebecca Luter

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Please remember those on our prayer list.*

## RESPOND TO GOD

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

John Ernest Bode

“O Jesus, I Have Promised”

O Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end: be now and always near me, my Master and my friend; I shall not fear the battle if you are by my side, nor wander from the pathway if you will be my guide.

O Jesus, you have promised to all who follow you that where you are in glory your servant shall be too. And, Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end; now give me grace to follow, my Master and my friend.

\*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

**Lord of abundance, Jesus turned the disciples' attention to the way you provide for the lilies and the birds of the air when they worried about having enough. We, too, hold tightly to what we think we can control, afraid to trust you fully. Yet, the journey of discipleship calls us to offer our gifts and ourselves as we worship with assurance of your gracious mercy, fresh every morning. Accept our gifts of worship and praise, O Lord, and dedicate them to accomplishing your will. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.**

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PRAYER OF 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 for the Lord our God.

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

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

...we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

...Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, eternal God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

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.**

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

\*HYMN – No. 722 “Lord, Speak to Me that I May Speak” Verse 1  
**Lord, speak to me that I may speak in living echoes of your  
tone. As you have sought, so let me seek your erring children,  
lost and lone.**

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE Postlude in G Major Boellmann

\* Stand as able. **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  
Mike Schneider, Liturgist  
Jennifer Young, Children’s Moment  
Ann Erickson and Vanessa Howard, Ushers  
Delilah Davis, Acolyte  
Rebecca Hutchins, Soprano soloist  
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 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.

**Need more information, want to sign up for something, worship on the livestream?** Go to our website: [www.farmingtonpres.org](http://www.farmingtonpres.org). Need to give us information, ask a question, or get assistance with signing up? Email us at [church@farmingtonpres.org](mailto:church@farmingtonpres.org).

## Happenings AT FARMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN

**Sanctuary Flowers** this morning are given to the glory of God by Jerry and Annette Hosier in celebration of their 61st wedding anniversary.

**Youth Fellowship** will not meet today. However, we will meet on Thursday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 7pm for Space Jam Movie night. Bring popcorn and drinks. Movie activities will be provided.

**Room in the Inn** Prepare a lunch for our guests! Each Wednesday, Farmington is providing lunch for persons who are residing in the Recuperative Care Center and the Family Inn of RITI. For more info, contact Jinney Hart at [virginiahart2@comcast.net](mailto:virginiahart2@comcast.net). Sign up on our website.

**Do You Know My Story?** Join us June 7<sup>th</sup> as we explore the stories of Rahab and Deborah. We meet on Zoom each Monday morning from 9-10am with Meeting ID: 811 5596 9116 Passcode: Bible. All are welcome!

**Wednesday Night Service** We are now gathering in the lower parking lot on Wednesday nights at 5:30pm and not livestreaming. Bring your lawn chair and set up early to enjoy some fellowship before the service! If the weather is inclement, an email with a link will be sent to worship on Zoom at 6pm.

**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 between 5:00-5:30pm. They are donating 10% back to Farmington. If you would like to order, please contact them at [hutchinsathome@gmail.com](mailto:hutchinsathome@gmail.com).

**Young Adult Bible Study** will meet Thursdays at 7:00pm via Zoom. Contact Doug Barr for more information, [doug@farmingtonpres.org](mailto:doug@farmingtonpres.org).

**Bulletin Mailing List** While we were all worshipping on YouTube Premier, 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, please email us at [church@farmingtonpres.org](mailto: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 “@farmpres” to “81010.”

**Regathering for Worship in the Sanctuary** If you wish to attend worship in person, please register by Saturday night. Seating in the Sanctuary will be assigned and limited so that 6’ distancing is maintained. Masks are required while inside the building.

**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.

**Flowers for Worship** as we regather for worship, we will once again have the opportunity to give flowers to grace the Sanctuary in honor or memory of our loved ones. The Flower Calendar is posted on the bulletin board near Fellowship Hall or you may email the date you would like to give flowers.

**This week at Farmington...**you may have noticed the work being done to install permanent cameras for livestreaming from the Sanctuary. We encourage you to share our YouTube channel with family and friends and to share services that are particularly meaningful to you on your social media platforms.

**Remember in Prayer...**Our Farmington Family, Session and Staff; Essential workers and all affected by Covid-19; Jack Arendt, Steve Atkins, Mary Lou Barrentine, Kathryn Bendall, Bill Brown, Kenny Buckner, Jelena Colasurdo, Mary Lou Collins, D.J. Davis, Pat Rush Davis, Javida Donley, Jane Egan, Ed Gallagher, Rev. Jim Hamilton, Bill Harrington, Martha Noble Hathcock, Gary Hutchins, Harland Lovell, Norma Murphy, Gail and Andra Nickerson, Dennis Peeples, Jonathan Riley, Patti Simpkins, Williams Stevens, Susan St. John, Joan Wallace, Faye Woods and from our Presbytery: Trinity Presbyterian Church, Martin, TN.

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