

FOX CHAPEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*As a community of Christ's disciples, we joyfully participate
in Christ's mission of love and peace, transformation and hope.*



Watts, Mary Seton. Watts Chapel - Ceiling Apex with Four Seraphs,
from *Art in the Christian Tradition*, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN

May 10, 2026
11:00 AM

PRELUDE

Prayer from Christ ascending towards His Father from L'Ascension Olivier Messiaen

"I have made Your name known to those whom You gave me...And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to You"

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

He Is King of Kings

Traditional American Spiritual

*He is King of kings; He is Lord of lords;
Jesus Christ, the first and last, no one works like Him.*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather to celebrate the God of wonder and majesty!

Awesome God, help us to worship You in spirit and in truth.

We gather to celebrate Jesus Christ, Who was dead and buried, and now risen indeed!

Jesus, renew our hope in Your great power and love.

We gather to celebrate the Holy Spirit, our promised comforter and guide!

Come Holy Spirit! Fill us with Your presence and peace.

We gather to celebrate the ancient hope of Christians:

God is with us and will never let us go.

*HYMN 267

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

MADRID

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, maker of heaven and earth. You place us in Your creation, and You command us to care for it. Where we have degraded or destroyed earth's bounty, forgive us. Where we have taken beauty and majesty for granted, have mercy upon us. Where we have become estranged from the creatures with whom we share this planet, grant us Your peace. Renew us in the waters of baptism, refresh us with the winds of Your Spirit, and sustain us with the Bread of Life. In the name of Jesus Christ, and for the sake of the new creation, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

All are invited to exchange signs of reconciliation and peace with others.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Sam Harding

Children attending Kids' Church may meet Mrs. Patterson in the Narthex.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 66:8-20 (OT, pg. 528)

Rich Lockwood

John 14:15-21 (NT, pg. 109)

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"If"

Rev. Dr. John Bell

*HYMN 310

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

ST. THOMAS

*CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Confession of 1967

God's reconciling act in Jesus Christ is a mystery which the Scriptures describe in various ways. It is called the sacrifice of a Lamb, a Shepherd's life given for His sheep, atonement by a Priest; again it is ransom of a slave, payment of debt, vicarious satisfaction of a legal penalty, and victory over the powers of evil. These are expressions of a truth which remains beyond the reach of all theory in the depths of God's love. They reveal the gravity, cost, and sure achievement of God's reconciling work. The risen Christ is the Savior for all. Those joined to Him by faith are set right with God and commissioned to serve as His reconciling community.

Christ is head of this community, the church, which began with the Apostles and continues through all generations. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI**

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.

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.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

Carl Schalk

*O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how passing thought and fantasy;
that God the Son of God, should take our mortal form for mortals' sake.*

*For us to wicked men betrayed, scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed;
He bore the shameful cross and death; for us gave up His dying breath.*

*For us He rose from death again, for us He went on high to reign;
for us He sent His Spirit here to guide, to comfort, and to cheer.*

*All glory to our Lord and God for love so deep, so high, so broad;
the Trinity, Whom we adore, forever and forever more.*

***DOXOLOGY**

LAAS T UNS ERFRUEN

***Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!***

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***HYMN 263**

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

CORONATION

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION**

*Danish Amen
Amen, amen, amen.*

***POSTLUDE**

Postlude on 'Spanish Hymn'

Neil Harmon

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** Please stand as you are able.*

Participants Today

The Rev. Dr. John Bell, Interim Senior Pastor (john@fcpc.us)
The Rev. Cheryl Khylllep, Covenant Associate Pastor (cheryl@fcpc.us)
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For Children and Families during 11:00AM Worship

Children of all ages are welcome to remain in worship with their families, and we provide the following opportunities for children and families:

Children ages 3 to 5th grade are invited to sign up for Kids' Church prior to worship near the entry to the Sanctuary. Children will be called to the front of the Sanctuary for a Children's Message during worship. Following the Children's Message, children will be led to Kids Kingdom (Lowest Level), where parents/guardians can pick them up following worship.

Nursery care is available for ages 0-3 in Kids Kingdom (Lowest Level).

The Comfort Space is available in Room 107 (near the main entrance) to comfort or feed a child and watch the worship service via livestream.

See Highlights pg. 3 for information about how you can get involved with Children's Ministry and be a Kids' Church volunteer.

Chancel Flowers

The chancel flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Gary & Sue Heitzenroder, by Christine Farrell.

HEARING DEVICES are available in the Sanctuary. Ask an usher for assistance. If you have a hearing aid that has the T-Coil activated, please ask for a T-Coil neckloop receiver.

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