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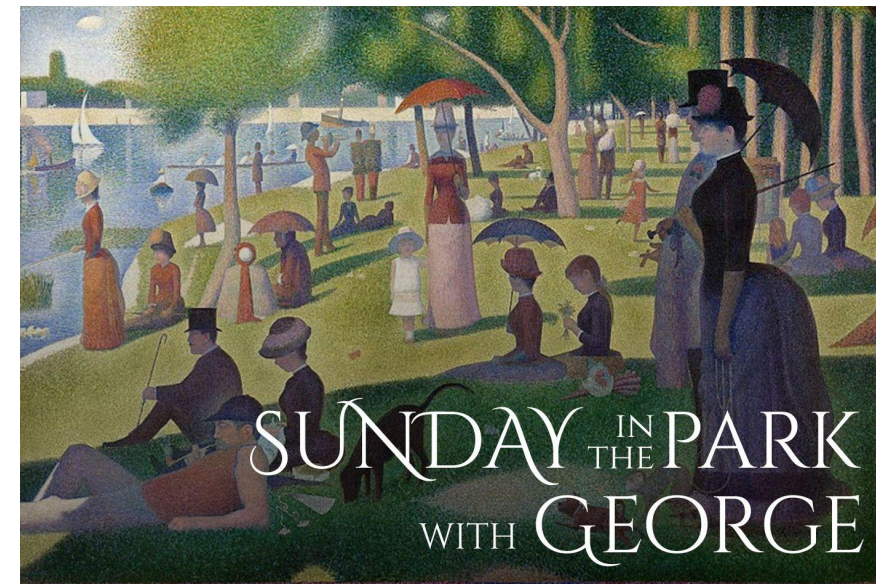
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AUGUST 30, 2026



Service of Worship for the
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

FANWOOD
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

WELCOME TO WORSHIP at

FANWOOD

ABOUT “SUNDAY IN THE PARK WITH GEORGE”

Sunday in the Park with George, written by Stephen Sondheim and James Lapine, opened on Broadway in 1984 and won the Pulitzer Prize for Drama. It was inspired by George Seurat's 1886 painting *A Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande Jatte*. It follows the artist as he creates his masterpiece, exploring artistic obsession and human connection.

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Our usher team is Barry Gustafson and Todd Moyle. Our music is led by Alexa Teebo and Luyang Liu, and Jason Rivera, with AV support from Dan Burg. Our service is streamed at [Youtube.com/@FanwoodPresbyterianChurch](https://www.youtube.com/@FanwoodPresbyterianChurch).

AROUND THE CHURCH BUILDING

Restrooms are available on the ground floor of the sanctuary, and can be accessed using the staircases at the parking lot entrance or the back of the sanctuary. Children are welcome in worship at all times, and activities for kids are available in the sanctuary. A nursery for small children and babies is available downstairs.

WAYS TO GIVE

If you would like to make a monetary donation to Fanwood Church, you can use Zelle (fanwoodpcffinance@gmail.com) or the QR code to link to our online giving platform.



WHEN YOU ARE IN NEED

Our deacon ministry is available for prayer, hospital or home visitation, offering communion, and other care needs in our congregation and community. If you would like to request support or just speak with a deacon, email fanwooddeacons@gmail.com.

REFERENCES

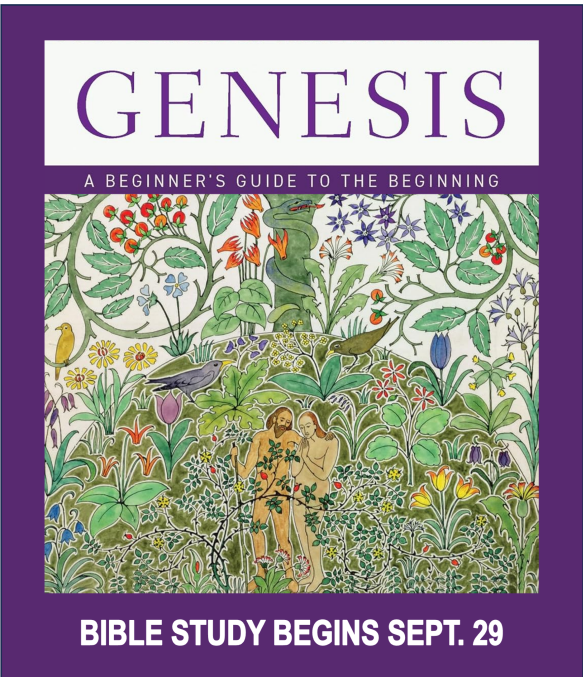
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WELCOME TO THE REV. MARY BUTTON



Rev. Mary Button is an artist, pastor, and liturgical art maker whose work explores the intersection of justice and Christian spirituality. A graduate of the Tisch School of the Arts at NYU, Candler School of Theology at Emory University, and Lutheran Seminary in Philadelphia, she has created multiple Stations of the Cross series addressing themes including LGBTQ equality, mass incarceration, climate change, and the COVID-19 pandemic. An ordained pastor in the ELCA, she currently serves at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church in West Hempstead, NY. Her website is marybutton.com.



Act One:
CATHERING

PRELUDE

Luyang Liu

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONG adapted from “Good Morning” from *Singing in the Rain*

Good morning, good morning, it's great to see your face,

Good morning, good morning to you!

Good morning, good morning, we're here to sing and pray,

Good morning, good morning to you!

When the doors are opened wide and friendly faces shine,

Then the Spirit calls us to this holy space divine,

So good morning, good morning, sunbeams are shining through,

Good morning, good people, to you!

CHIMING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We gather this morning as people who have been the gift of vision.

All: We come, looking for beauty in the ordinary.

One: We come with our questions, our doubts, our unfinished work.

All: We come, knowing that God is not finished with us either.

One: Thanks be to God, who looks at creation and calls it good.

All: Let us worship God!

OPENING MUSIC “Sunday” from *Sunday in the Park with George*

Jason Rivera, Alexa Teebo

CALL TO CONFESSION & SILENT PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we confess that we have not always paid attention. We have moved through our days without really seeing the people around us, without noticing the beauty you have placed in ordinary moments, without hearing the call you have been speaking into our lives. We have been so busy that we have missed what matters most. Forgive us, and open our eyes. Help us to see the world, and each other, the way you do. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* RESPONSE “No One is Alone” from *Into the Woods*

Someone is on your side, someone else is not,

While we're seeing our side maybe we forgot,

they are not alone, truly.

No one is alone.

No one is alone.

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Act Two:
PROCLAMATION

TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

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.

SPECIAL MUSIC “Everybody Loves Louis” from *Sunday*

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 28:16-20

SERMON

Rev. Mary Button

Act Three:
RESPONSE

OFFERTORY “Finishing the Hat” from *Sunday in the Park with George*

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *from A Brief Statement of Faith*

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.

In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

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!”

* DOXOLOGY to the tune of “Stay Awake” from *Mary Poppins*

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Act Four:

SENDING

* CLOSING SONG to the tune of “Edelweiss” from *The Sound of Music*

*May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.
Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor.
Lift up your eyes and see God’s face, and God’s grace forever.
May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.*

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Luyang Liu