

About the Choir's Hymns Today:

For the Troubles and the Sufferings (Pelas dores deste mundo)

By Rodolfo Gaede Neto (b. 1951) | Harmony by Jorge Lockward
Translated by Jorge Lockward and Simei Monteiro (b. 1943)

"For the Troubles and the Sufferings" is a Brazilian hymn which became popular after its use at the 2006 Assembly of the World Council of Churches in Porto Alegre. It was composed in 1998 by a Lutheran pastor and professor, Dr. Rodolfo Gaede Neto. He serves as Professor of Practical Theology at the Lutheran seminary in Sao Leopoldo, Brazil. Dr. Gaede Neto is also a choral director and leads the vocal group, "Anima," which means "animate" or "animated." Today's introit was translated by Jorge Lockward, a Dominican music director, church musician, and seminary professor who is currently based out of New York City and prominent Brazilian poet Simei Monteiro. Simei was born in Belem, PA, Brazil; she completed a triple major during college in Portuguese, French, and literature. She then studied artistic education in graduate school. In addition to writing poetry and translating, Mrs. Monteiro is also a composer, author, and editor. She wrote a book, *The Song of Life*, which explores the relationship between hymnody and theology. Prior to 2010, Simei served as a United Methodist missionary in Geneva, Switzerland. I have written out a very direct translation of Rodolfo Gaede Neto's Portuguese lyrics below. Both the Portuguese and English lyrics (translated by Jorge and Simei) can be found in our hymnal at #764. The original hymn ends with the Latin prayer, "Kyrie eleison," which is translated, "God have mercy."

For the sufferings of this world, O Lord, we implore mercy.
Creation groans at the same time.
Let Your ears be inclined to the cry of these oppressed people.
Hasten to Your salvation.

May Your peace, blessed and united with justice, embrace the whole world.
Have mercy!
May Your power sustain the testimony of Your people.
May Your Kingdom come! Kyrie eleison!

There Is a Longing in Our Hearts by Anne Quigley (b. 1955 or 1956)

Anne Quigley is a British composer and Catholic liturgist originally from Yorkshire in Northern England. Quigley is a rather obscure and private person. It is known that she was a member of the St. Thomas More Group of composers who collaborated in north London from 1969 until 1995. She also served alongside Bernadette Farrell at the parish of Deptford in southeast London for a time. The anthem today, "There Is a Longing in Our Hearts," is a sung prayer which describes both why we pray and many qualities or concerns for which we pray. It is a hymn of yearning, performed at a slow adagio or andante tempo. "There Is a Longing" is Ms. Quigley's most famous composition, but "The Seven Last Words from the Cross" and "Take, Lord, and Receive" are also popular. The full lyrics can be found at #470 in our hymnal.

If you enter the hospital, your church will have no way of knowing unless you notify us. Please let us know of your hospital stay so that we may respond with pastoral care.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today Please greet your neighbors and pass the Fellowship Pad
Tuesday June 23 Ladies Dinner 5pm
Wednesday June 24 Youth 6pm
Thursday June 25 NO Choir 4:30pm
Saturday June 27 Sat. Lunch Ministry

For June we will collect donations for Sunnyside Communities. Sunnyside Communities Fellowship Fund provides financial and personal resources for residents who can no longer fully pay for their care. In most cases these residents have no other means of support and often no family. This fund provides assistance to those who have outlived their life's savings. Thank you for your support to our seniors in need. Please make your check to FPC and mark your check Sunnyside in the memo or use the envelopes in the window sill.

Jackson Weller & Ashley Stanley-Robey will lead worship at Stratford House next Sunday June 28th.. The service is in the Evergreen Room at 2pm.

Our new membership directory is available in the church office. Inside is a survey from the Membership Committee that we ask you to please fill out and drop in the offering plate on Sunday. Please contact Vickie in the church office, 434-792-7822 ext. 1 to pick up your survey. If changes or corrections need to be made please email admin@fpcdanville.com.

SERVING TODAY

Minister of Discipleship Jackson Weller
Music Director Ashley Stanley Robey
Video/Sound Alex Walthall
Liturgist Becky Meadema
Greeter Sam Meadema
Side door/Offering Ava Barrett
Counters Reynolds

List of Session members

Class of 2026: Ava Barrett, Barry Cutright, Gail Jones, Kim Wimer
Class of 2027: Harriet Beale, Pat Pinckney, Joan Reynolds, Kent Shelton
Class of 2028: Eddie Blount, Jr., Sam Meadema, Jackie Rockford, Alex Walthall
Trustees: Bob Newnam, Ray Beale, Gary Wimer

2026 Budget Update

	May 2026	FY 2026
Revenue	\$21,989.62	\$174,475.44
Expenditures	\$24,634.81	\$180,980.15
Difference	\$(-2,645.19)	\$(-6,504.71)

A Warm Welcome

We would love to have you join our church family. If you are moved to do by the Lord, please talk to one of the elders or our pastor.

Scan the QR code for today's scripture readings.



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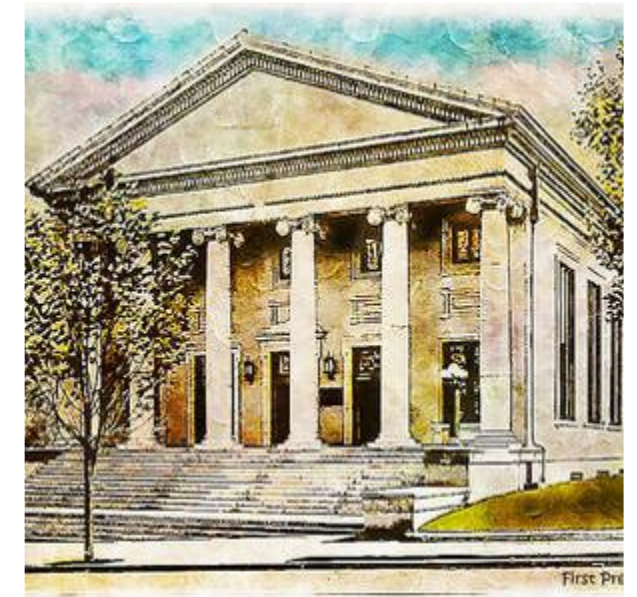
Danville, Virginia

June 21, 2026

4th Sunday after Pentecost

Father's Day

Welcome



This church opens wide its doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

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A Service for the Worship of God

GATHER TO GLORIFY GOD

Please greet your neighbors and pass the Fellowship Pad to them.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT "For the Troubles and the Sufferings" Rodolfo Gaede Neto; harmony by Jorge Lockward | Greg Robey, guitar

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP (from Matthew 10:29-31)

Leader: Not one sparrow will fall to the ground apart from their Creator.

People: God tells us we are of more value than many sparrows.

Leader. God knows us and loves us. Even the hairs of our head are all counted.

People: We praise you, O God! Grateful are we for your love and care!

*HYMN#450

“Be Thou My Vision”

INVOCATION

Lord, we come to You today asking for strength and courage. As we face the challenges of this life, we know that we cannot do it alone. Please equip us with the strength to endure and the courage to stand firm in our faith. May Your power be made perfect in our weakness. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You send us, God of the Great Commission, but we hedge and hesitate. Forgive our fear and our excuses. We are witnesses of your grace and glory but allow others to silence our praise. We imprison ourselves with doubt and shame and fail to shine your light for all to see. Forgive our fears. Free our testimony. Help us be your faithful disciples. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Through Christ’s death and resurrection, we are a new creation, ready to sing God’s glory and testify to God’s grace. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and freed. Amen.

SIGNS OF RECONCILIATION

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us the children of God, having confessed our sins and been reconciled to God, having been assured of God's graciousness and mercy, stand and offer that same peace and reconciliation to our brothers and sisters in Christ, forgiving each other and offering grace and peace.

Please remain standing for the “Gloria Patri.”

*RESPONSE

“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.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING (Hebrews 13:16)

Do good and share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Take our hearts, our hands, our gifts, Holy God. Mold us, shape us, send us, so that we might be your body in the world you so love. Amen.

OFFERTORY “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” Wyeth's

Repository of Sacred Music, arr. C.E. Walz

*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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

ANTHEM “There Is a Longing in Our Hearts” by Anne Quigley

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Savior God, your Word is a lamp to our feet on this discipleship road. Walk with us. Guide us with your wisdom and grace. Open us to discerning your will and your way. Amen.

LECTIONARY SCRIPTURES;

(14/14) Genesis 21:8-21
(840/799) Romans 6:1-11
(724/688) Matthew 10:24-39

SERMON

“The Cost of Belonging To Christ”

Jackson Weller

*HYMN#661

“Why Should I Feel Discouraged?”

(His Eye Is on the Sparrow)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

POSTLUDE

"How Firm a Foundation" Funk's Compilation of

Genuine Church Music, arr. C.E. Walz

*BENEDICTION

***Please stand if able.**

*Hymn lyrics projected on the screen can be found in the

“Glory to God” hymnal in the pew.

Sermon Notes: