

Good morning, and welcome! God has invited us here.

We are at home in his presence. Let us worship.

This worship service can be watched live on YouTube, as it happens, anywhere you have an internet connection. Additionally, past services will be archived so you can stay up-to-date or relive your favorite Sunday morning moments. You can find the link on our website or check it out at <https://bit.ly/FPClive>

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NOTE: Sheet music for the hymns can be found on the next page or pages.



Order of Worship

August 3, 2025

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**THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP
17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

10:00 AM

AUGUST 3, 2025



THE FIRST NOTE OF THE PRELUDE begins our worship.

Please use the prelude time to focus on God's presence and help. Nurturing our relationships and friendships in fellowship is vital to our life as a congregation, so please continue to do so after our time of worship.

* *Those who are able are invited to stand.*

FOCUSING UPON GOD'S PRESENCE AND VOICE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *"Jesus Loves Me"*
Melanie Shimer

***EXPANDING OUR ATTENTION AS WE CALL OURSELVES TO WORSHIP**

The pastor will lead the liturgy. When you are prompted, please respond with: *Spirit draw near.*

***HYMN**

CELEBRATING TIME

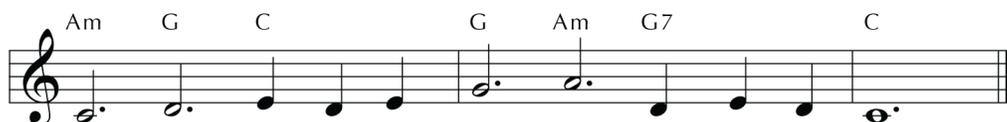
Morning Has Broken 664



1 Morn-ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing; black-bird has
2 Sweet the rain's new fall sun - lit from heav - en, like the first
3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing, born of the



spo - ken like the first bird. Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the
dew - fall on the first grass. Praise for the sweet-ness of the wet
one light E - den saw play! Praise with e - la - tion; praise ev - ery



morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!
gar - den, sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.
morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

LITANY OF AFFIRMATION

One: Life is full of rhythms. It is full of movement. We often miss a step or start late. We step on someone's toes. We have our toes stepped on. We may feel like we need to stop dancing entirely because it all just feels too overwhelming. In those moments, we can stop and take a breath and remember that we are human, and this is not a bad thing. It is who we are. Thankfully, grace abounds, and the Holy Spirit is ready to help us get into rhythm again. Our prayer of confession is our call for the Holy Spirit to intervene and help us dance again. Let us pray.

All: Nurturing God, you continue to lead us in upright ways on account of your love for us. Yet we do not always follow your call; we turn away from you and go our own way. Forgive us, and return us to our rightful home in you, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

(A moment is given for silent confession to God.)

One: Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayers.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*SHARING THE PEACE

One: Since God has forgiven us, let us also forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us share our forgiven joy with one another.

*HYMN OF ASSURANCE #581 *"Gloria Patri"*

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY: Vision Team

THE WORD OF GOD TO THE CHURCH

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

ECCLESIASTES 3:1-8

¹There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens:
²a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot,
³a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to tear down and a time to build,
⁴a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance,
⁵a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them, a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing,
⁶a time to search and a time to give up, a time to keep and a time to throw away,
⁷a time to tear and a time to mend, a time to be silent and a time to speak,
⁸a time to love and a time to hate, a time for war and a time for peace.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

PSALM 30

¹ I will exalt you, Lord, for you lifted me out of the depths and did not let my enemies gloat over me.
² Lord my God, I called to you for help, and you healed me.
³ You, Lord, brought me up from the realm of the dead; you spared me from going down to the pit.
⁴ Sing the praises of the Lord, you his faithful people; praise his holy name.
⁵ For his anger lasts only a moment, but his favor lasts a lifetime; weeping may stay for the night, but rejoicing comes in the morning.
⁶ When I felt secure, I said, "I will never be shaken."
⁷ Lord, when you favored me, you made my royal mountain stand firm; but when you hid your face, I was dismayed.
⁸ To you, Lord, I called; to the Lord I cried for mercy:
⁹ "What is gained if I am silenced, if I go down to the pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it proclaim your faithfulness?"
¹⁰ Hear, Lord, and be merciful to me; Lord, be my help."
¹¹ You turned my wailing into dancing; you removed my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,
¹² that my heart may sing your praises and not be silent. Lord my God, I will praise you forever.

MESSAGE

"The Paths of Life"

*HYMN

Faith Begins by Letting Go 684

1 Faith be - gins by let - ting go, giv - ing up what
 2 Faith en - dures by hold - ing on, keep - ing mem - ory's
 3 Faith ma - tures by reach - ing out, stretch - ing minds, en -

had seemed sure, tak - ing risks and press - ing on,
 roots a - live so that hope may bear its fruit;
 larg - ing hearts, shar - ing strug - gles, liv - ing prayer,

though the way feels less se - cure: pil - grim - age both
 prom - ise - fed, our souls will thrive, not through mer - it
 bind - ing up the bro - ken parts; till we find the

right and odd, trust - ing all our life to God.
 we pos - sess but by God's great faith - ful - ness.
 com - mon - place ripe with wit - ness to God's grace.

This text affirms that faith is not a state of being but a process of becoming what we are called to be in relationship to God, other people, and the world. The movement from one stage of faith to another is suggested by gestures of the hand: letting go, holding on, reaching out.

*APOSTLES' CREED

GATHERING JOYS & CONCERNS

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

CALL FOR OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY *“Break Thou the Bread of Life”*

Currently, we are not passing an offering plate. Please find the plate by the door for in-person giving. See the back page of the bulletin for more info on how to give. Thank you for your generosity!

*SONG OF RESPONSE #606 *“Doxology”*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

PRAYER w/LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION *“Voluntary on ‘Bunessan’”*

PRAYER *(in unison)*

Almighty God, thank you for this meal. Let us nourish us and sustain us as we journey through the coming weeks and months. May it remind us that your Spirit is always with us, holding us through the rhythms of life. Amen.

*HYMN #683 *“Lord of All Hopefulness”* *(Sheet music on next page.)*

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *“Now Thank We All Our God”*

Please feel free to sit and reflect during the postlude or depart and join us in Fellowship Hall.



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683 Lord of All Hopefulness



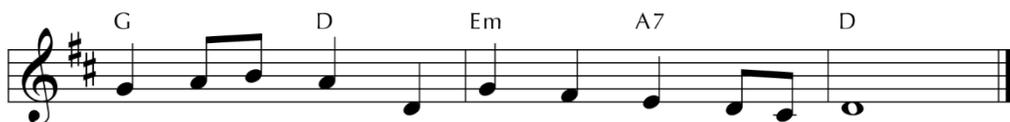
1 Lord of all hope-ful-ness, Lord of all joy, whose
 2 Lord of all ea-ger-ness, Lord of all faith, whose
 3 Lord of all kind-li-ness, Lord of all grace, your
 4 Lord of all gen-tle-ness, Lord of all calm, whose



trust, ev-er child-like, no cares could de-stroy: be
 strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe: be
 hands swift to wel-come, your arms to em-brace: be
 voice is con-tent-ment, whose pres-ence is balm: be



there at our wak-ing and give us, we pray, your
 there at our la-bors and give us, we pray, your
 there at our hom-ing and give us, we pray, your
 there at our sleep-ing and give us, we pray, your



bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
 strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
 love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
 peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

When first published in 1931, this "All-Day Hymn" (as it was titled) seemed very daring for not using traditional archaic pronouns to address Christ. Current pronouns no longer disturb, but the comforting Jesus portrayed here needs to be balanced by his call to discipleship.

Faith Life

August 3, 2025

We hope you'll join us following worship for beverages, snacks, and fellowship.



Communion Inclusion

Communion is by intinction this morning. For those needing allergen-free foods, the pastor will have brown rice crackers, which are wheat free, gluten free, soy and nut free.



Daybreak Dinner—August 11

Faith Church cooks and serves a meal at Daybreak on the second Monday of each month, from 1:30 to 4:30 pm. Over the past couple of years, we've lost many of our cookie bakers. Can you find the time to bake a batch or two and drop them off by noon that day?

- Helpers are also needed, especially cooks, from approx. 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. (Meet at the church @ 1:30 p.m. The carpool leaves from the church!)
- Drop cookies or other baked goods off in the kitchen by noon that Monday. Because of possible nut allergies, please mark cookies that have nuts in them. Sugar-free cookies are also appreciated.
- The clients at Daybreak very much enjoy all the choices of home-baked goodies that we can provide! The number we are serving is running between 80 to 100. Many thanks to all for baking and bringing individual servings ready to go.

For more information, speak with Carolyn Baittinger or Zona Farmer. Don't pass up this very easy opportunity to "do unto others."



Farewell to Summer

The Farewell to Summer festival will be held on **Saturday, Sept. 20**, from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Faith Church plans on having a space at the festival, which is held at the Emmaus Triangle.

Heather Davis is our contact person. If you can help at our booth, please contact her.



PLUS - Prayer, Love, Understanding, Support

136 households served
246 different households received food in 2024

CURRENT NEEDS

- Adult & Children's cereal
- Boxed mashed potatoes (13-16 oz.)
- BBQ sauce, salad dressing (Ranch, Italian, French)
- Baked beans
- Toothbrushes and toothpaste for children
- Mouthwash

ONGOING NEEDS

- Gift cards from Aldi, Giant, Wegmans, or Weis (which we use to buy food for our shelves).
- Any non-perishable food within its "use by/best buy" date

PLEASE NO...

- Over-the-counter medicines/vitamins/supplements
- Food beyond its "use by/best buy" date
- Large or family-sized items
- Clothing or household items

Any donations go in the big Soup Can. Thanks!



Are You Willing to Serve?

Fellowship: August 24

Nursery: August 17, 24, 31

Please sign up on the whiteboard located in the narthex. These tasks are easy, and instructions are provided. Assistance is available for obtaining nursery clearance.

WALK. GIVE. CHANGE THE WORLD.

2025
CROP HUNGER WALKS

ENDING HUNGER
ONE STEP AT A TIME

CROP Hunger Walk

It's always fun to be thinking and planning ahead if you can. Right now we're thinking of the CROP WALK, which reminds us of world hunger. No, it's not next week, but we may want to mark our calendars...**October 19**. More to follow later, of course.

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Summer Church Office Hours

Tuesday-Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to Noon
Closed Mondays and Fridays

Two Weeks of Faith

This calendar is prepared a few days ahead of distribution.
Please see the church [website](#) for the most up-to-date information.



Key
BR Brick Room
FH Fellowship Hall
MR Music Room
P Parlor
PL Parking Lot
S Sanctuary
Z Zoom

This Week

Sunday, August 3

10:00 a.m. - Worship Service

Monday, August 4: Church Office Closed

7:15 p.m. - Ministry to the Congregation (P)

Tuesday, August 5

3:00 p.m. - Sound Sprouts (2)

7:00 p.m. - Ministry of Support

Wednesday, August 6

8:00 a.m. - Rotary Food Program (FH)

9:30 a.m. - Women of Faith (BR)

Thursday, August 7

3:30 p.m. - Sound Sprouts (2)

7:00 p.m. - Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

Friday, August 8: Church Office Closed

Saturday, August 9

Next Week

Sunday, August 10

10:00 a.m. - Worship Service

Monday, August 11: Church Office Closed

7:00 a.m.- Youth Group Beach Day

1:30 p.m.- Daybreak Meal

Tuesday, August 12

3:00 p.m. - Sound Sprouts (2)

7:00 p.m. - Session Meeting (BR)

Wednesday, August 13

8:00 a.m. - Rotary Food Program (FH)

9:30 a.m. - Women of Faith (BR)

7:00 p.m. - EPNHN (P)

Thursday, August 14

7:00 a.m.- Youth Group Beach Day (rain date)

3:30 p.m. - Sound Sprouts (2)

7:00 p.m. - Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

Friday, August 15: Church Office Closed

Saturday, August 16

10:00 a.m. - Quilters (FH)



**Daybreak – August 11
Flyer deadline—August 17
2025 Per Capita—\$50.00**

August 10 - “Creativity is Sacred” Isaiah 6:1-8

August 17 - “Glorious Diversity” Genesis 11:1-9



Mark Your Calendars!

Have Your Paid Your Per Capita?

The per capita payment has portions sent to the presbytery, the synod, and General Assembly to help pay for the operation expenses of those organizations.

As of **7/31**, we have received \$ toward our yearly total due of \$9,450. The 2025 apportionment per member is \$50. You can pay your per capita online, or by check made payable to Faith Presbyterian Church.

- Aug. 17..... Fall Newsletter Deadline**
- Aug. 18-24..... Pastor’s vacation
- Sep. 1..... Labor Day, church office closed
- Sep. 8..... Daybreak, Regular Office Hours resume
- Sep. 21-28..... Pastor’s vacation/study leave
- Sep. 28..... Peace & Global Witness
- Oct. 5..... Joint Worship @ The Barn
- Oct. 13..... Daybreak
- Oct. 19..... Crop Hunger Walk
- Nov. 8..... Presbytery Meeting @ Faith
- Nov. 16..... Winter Newsletter Deadline
- Nov. 30..... Advent Begins
- Dec. 6..... Craft Fair
- Dec. 8..... Daybreak
- Dec. 25..... Christmas
- Dec. 25-Jan 4..... Pastor’s vacation