

We are gathered in peace to worship together,  
and we're grateful for each of you being here. Welcome.

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



***Order of Worship***  
***September 7, 2025***

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**THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP  
22<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**10:00 AM**

**SEPTEMBER 7, 2025**



THE FIRST NOTE OF THE PRELUDE begins our worship.

Please use the prelude time to turn your attention to God's presence and help. Nurturing our relationships and friendships in fellowship is essential to our life as a congregation, so please continue to do so following our time of worship.

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

**FOCUSING UPON GOD'S PRESENCE AND VOICE**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "A Prayer"

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come, all people, and let us worship in the name of Jesus.

All: Come, almighty King, and help us sing in God's name.

One: Come, let us worship the Incarnate Word.

All: Jesus is merciful and attends our prayers.

One: Let us all remember the Holy Comforter is with us today and always.

All: We come to love and adore. Let our worship remind us how God rules  
in every heart.

\*OPENING PRAYER

\*HYMN

THE TRIUNE GOD

# 2 Come, Thou Almighty King

1 Come, thou al - might - y King, help us thy  
 2 Come, thou in - car - nate Word, mer - ci - ful,  
 3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred  
 4 To thee, great One in Three, e - ter - nal

name to sing; help us to praise:  
 might - y Lord, our prayer at - tend.  
 wit - ness bear in this glad hour.  
 prais - es be, hence ev - er - more!

Fa - ther, all glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic - to - ri - ous,  
 Come, and thy peo - ple bless, and give thy word suc - cess;  
 Thou who al - might - y art, now rule in ev - ery heart,  
 Thy sov - ereign maj - es - ty may we in glo - ry see,

come, and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.  
 Spir - it of ho - li - ness, on us de - scend.  
 and ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of power.  
 and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

The author of this Trinitarian text is unknown, but this hymn has proved popular since the middle of the 18th century, partly because of its effective use of biblical metaphors, but also because of the strength of this tune, which was composed especially for these words.

## LITANY OF AFFIRMATION

One: Sometimes, we run forward into things with blinders on. We are reactive instead of proactive. We don't think ahead. In our lives of faith, Jesus invites us to count the cost and know what we're getting into. And sometimes, even when we know what the life of faith looks like, we veer off the path because we aren't paying attention. Our time of confession invites us back to the basics: to remember that following Jesus doesn't mean we will do everything perfectly. It does mean that Jesus' grace will perfectly abound even when we fall short of deserving it. Grace abounds. Forgiveness abounds. Let us pray.

**All: Almighty God, we are very good at using the word "should." We should have done this. We should not have done that. We are annoyed by what someone else should have done or what they should not have done. We let the "shoulds" in our lives blind us to the ways your grace is working even in the midst of distracted people. Help us to focus again. Remove our blinders so we can see your grace in all places and in all people. Help us do the math so we know that even when we fall short, the cost of following you is always worth it.**

One: Lord, in your mercy,

**All: hear our prayers.**

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

## 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: Peace & Global Witness

## THE WORD OF GOD TO THE CHURCH

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

PSALM 139:1-6, 13-18

<sup>1</sup>O LORD, you have searched me and known me.

<sup>2</sup>You know when I sit down and when I rise up;  
you discern my thoughts from far away.

<sup>3</sup>You search out my path and my lying down,  
and are acquainted with all my ways.

<sup>4</sup>Even before a word is on my tongue,  
O LORD, you know it completely.

<sup>5</sup>You hem me in, behind and before,  
and lay your hand upon me.

<sup>6</sup>Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;  
it is so high that I cannot attain it.

<sup>13</sup>For it was you who formed my inward parts;  
you knit me together in my mother's womb.

<sup>14</sup>I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.  
Wonderful are your works;  
that I know very well.

<sup>15</sup>My frame was not hidden from you,  
when I was being made in secret,  
intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

<sup>16</sup>Your eyes beheld my unformed substance.  
In your book were written  
all the days that were formed for me,  
when none of them as yet existed.

<sup>17</sup>How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God!  
How vast is the sum of them!

<sup>18</sup>I try to count them-they are more than the sand;  
I come to the end-I am still with you.

## SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

LUKE 14:25-33

<sup>25</sup>Now large crowds were traveling with him; and he turned and said to them, <sup>26</sup>"Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. <sup>27</sup>Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. <sup>28</sup>For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? <sup>29</sup>Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, <sup>30</sup>saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' <sup>31</sup>Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? <sup>32</sup>If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. <sup>33</sup>So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

### MESSAGE

*"Jesus-Math"*

### \*HYMN #718

*"Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said"*

### \*APOSTLES' CREED

### GATHERING JOYS & CONCERNS

### OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

### CALL FOR OFFERTORY

### OFFERTORY

*"Lead On Good Shepherd"*

Pam Martin, soloist

(see insert)

The Faithful Harmonizers will be singing a song during the Offering. Pam Martin will sing vs. 1, the choir will sing the chorus, Pam will sing vs. 2, and then the congregation may join in to sing what is on the next page.

**Chorus**

Lead on Good Shepherd  
I'll follow all my days  
There ain't nothing sweeter  
Than to watch You make a way  
You've walked me through the valley  
But You never steered me wrong  
So lead on Good Shepherd lead on

**Bridge**

Step by step day by day  
Lead me on Lord I pray  
Road gets dark walk by faith  
Lead on Good Shepherd  
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*At this time, 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 additional info on how to give. Thank you for your generosity!*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER w/LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION

MUSIC

*"Summer Mood"*

PRAYER *(in unison)*

**God, we thank you for this meal. We thank you for all the ways you sustain us as we try to practice carrying our cross on a daily basis. Let this meal help us follow you and remember that you are with us wherever we are. Amen.**

\*HYMN #550

*"Give Praise to the Lord"*

\*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*"Prelude on Rendez a Dieu"*

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



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# Faith Life

September 7, 2025

We invite you to gather with us in Fellowship Hall after worship for our Potluck Luncheon, held on the first Sunday of each month, as part of our Sunday Morning Together.

## SUNDAY Morning TOGETHER

Sept. 14—Outdoor Worship, Fellowship

Sept. 21 - Vision Team, Fellowship

Kindly refer to page 3 for details about upcoming weeks and information regarding our weekly gatherings.



### 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—Sept. 12

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 tomorrow?

- Helpers/Cooks needed, 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 the day before. Because of possible nut allergies, please mark cookies that have nuts in them. Sugar-free cookies are also appreciated.

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



Check out our new and updated announcements! We have plenty of news that you won't want to miss. Please be sure to go through all the pages and stay up to date! Your support and engagement mean the world to Faith Church, and we can't wait to share what's next!

### Potluck Luncheon



This morning, following worship, we will gather for our Potluck Luncheon. The Ministry to the Congregation Committee welcomes all to participate! The committee will provide the main course, which today is ham, while side dishes and desserts will be generously contributed by our church friends and family.



### Clean-up Day - September 28

Join us following worship for a light lunch and help us tidy up the church property. There will be small jobs, big jobs, inside jobs, outside jobs, jobs for young, jobs for young at heart, jobs for all! Please plan on staying and helping.

### Buildings & Grounds Needs

Our church clean-up days, held in the spring and the fall, are a great way to maintain our church property. Everyone's help is appreciated.

However, some tasks need to be done more frequently or are of a scope that takes longer than a few hours.

The Ministry of Support has generated a list of "jobs" that fit those criteria. **It is posted on the bulletin board** outside the Fellowship Hall.



Please contact Sally Heimbach with your questions/concerns/availability

*Volunteers Needed on Sundays!  
Please see the 2<sup>nd</sup> page for details.*

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#### Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to Noon  
Closed Fridays



### **The Nursery Needs You!**



Our youngest members are a treasured part of our church family—and we need caring volunteers to help care for them during worship. If you don't yet have your clearances, don't worry—we'll guide you through the process!

- **September 21, 28, October 12, 19, 26**

☞ Sign up today by adding your name to the whiteboard in the narthex or by contacting Sally Heimbach. Your presence makes a difference!

### **Worship Assistants Needed**



Helping during worship is simple, rewarding, and so important! Everything is prepared for you ahead of time—we provide clear, step-by-step instructions and all the materials you'll need.

- **October 26**

☞ Be part of creating a meaningful worship experience. Sign up on the whiteboard in the narthex or reach out to Sally Heimbach.

### **Fellowship Hosts Needed**



Fellowship time after worship is one of the best ways we connect as a church family. Hosting is easy, instructions are provided, and your hospitality brings joy to everyone!

- **October 12**

☞ Sign up on the whiteboard in the narthex or contact Sally Heimbach to bless our church family with your hospitality.

### **Ushers/Greeters Needed**



A warm welcome makes Sunday worship extra special. Ushers help our services run smoothly by greeting people, sharing materials, and offering a smile. It's simple—and we provide reminders and instructions!

Thank you to all who volunteered to usher this fall. **Only November 23<sup>rd</sup> through December dates are left!**

☞ Sign up on the table in the narthex or speak with Anne Laubach for more details. Your welcome matters!



**September 14-** "Lost and Found"  
Luke 15:1-10

**September 21 -** Pastor Becki on vacation  
Rev. Joanne Marchetto preaching

## SUNDAY Morning TOGETHER SCHEDULE

- **Sept. 28**—Clean-up day, light lunch
- **Oct. 5**—Worship at The BARN
- **Oct. 12**—Presbytery Table cards, Fellowship
- **Oct. 19**—CROP Walk, Fellowship
- **Oct. 26**—Zoo trip, Fellowship
- **Nov. 2**—Potluck (Daybreak crew)
- **Nov. 9**—Deacon card making, Fellowship, Children's music
- **Nov. 16**—Bingo, Fellowship, Children's music
- **Nov. 23**—ADVENT[ure], light lunch, Children's music
- **Nov. 30**—Luminaries, Fellowship, Children's music
- **Dec. 7**—Potluck (Lynn Ingram & Diane Policelli)
- **Dec. 14**—Congregational meeting, Work Camp cookie sale, Fellowship, Children's music
- **Dec. 21**—Christmas songs, Fellowship, Children's music
- **Dec. 28**—Fellowship

**Music Ensemble Rehearsals**

**Faithful Ringers**  
Wednesdays @ 5:30 pm

**Faithful Harmonizers**  
Wednesdays @ 7:00 pm

**New members are always welcomed!**



### Conversations

Conversations is a gathering of women that meets on the second Thursday of the month, and all are welcome!

Conversations will meet at **Art Beat** at **10:00 a.m.** on **Thursday, September 11**. Let's talk about how we feel about our acceptance or lack of, in regard to faith, racial or ethnic differences we encounter. If you have any questions, please speak with Anne Laubach or Donna Call. Thank you!

### Youth Group Needs

Pastor Jo Marchetto, our Youth Group Director, could use some help from us here at FPC. At times, an adult or two are needed to assist in the Youth Group activity, program.



No experience is needed or special skills, just a genuine interest in our youth. The commitment can be flexible. Why not give Pastor Jo a call (phone number is in the directory) and find out what it's all about. You will be greatly appreciated! THANK YOU!

### How Can You Support Our Youth?

Sponsoring a meal for our Groups is a very beneficial and easy way to show your support for our youth. (For a rewarding experience, consider joining them for the meal and getting to know them better.)

It's easy - scan the QR code to schedule or sponsor your meal, or you can call Pastor Jo. at a wonderful way to show interest in and support of our youth!



THANK YOU!



### Teachers' Closet

Faith Church's Teachers' Closet is a free resource for teachers to stock up on supplies for their classrooms that otherwise would come out of their own pockets. The local teachers, mostly elementary and middle school, have been very appreciative.

- The Teachers' Closet is open on the **1<sup>st</sup> Saturday from 10-11:30 am** and the **3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday from 3:30-5:00 pm**.
- The full list of dates for the 2025-26 year is listed in the Fall issue of The Faith Flyer.
- There is a sign-up sheet for volunteers on the table in the narthex.
- There is an Amazon wish list with items needed for the Teacher's Closet.



### Crop Hunger Walk

As emphasized in the most recent issue of *The Faith Flyer*, we are truly grateful for your generosity last year, which played a significant role in helping us raise a portion of the \$32,000 collected locally. The funds benefited local food banks as well as the CWS in their efforts to fight hunger and provide aid to folks struggling in the aftermath of natural disasters.



- We invite you to become a member of our team [Faith Presbyterian Church in Emmaus, Pa]. You can assist in raising funds by gathering contributions from sponsors and donors, as well as by walking with us to raise awareness about the challenges posed by hunger.
- Donating is simple—either by sponsoring a walker directly or by making an online contribution.

Please register to become a team member and walker at the table in the narthex, or to donate online, by simply scanning this QR code.



**Word on Wednesday**  
**Ecclesiastes: Finding and Making Meaning**  
 Sept 10 - Dec 17



Join us Wednesdays at noon in the parlor

WOW will not meet on these dates: 9/24, 11/26, 12/24, 12/31

**Volunteers Needed**

**Farewell to Summer Festival**  
**Saturday, September 20th**  
**11:00am - 3:00pm**



Email Heather Davis at [hjg22588@gmail.com](mailto:hjg22588@gmail.com) with any availability you might have

## 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, September 7**

10:00 a.m. - Worship Service  
5:00 p.m. - Youth Group

#### **Monday, September 8**

7:00 p.m.- Emmaus Chorale (FH)

#### **Tuesday, September 9**

10:30 p.m. - Sound Sprouts (2)  
3:00 p.m. - Sound Sprouts (2)  
7:00 p.m. - Session Meeting (BR)

#### **Wednesday, September 10**

8:00 a.m. - Rotary Food Program (FH)  
9:30 a.m. - Women of Faith (BR)  
Noon - WOW (P)  
7:00 p.m. - EPNHN (P)

#### **Thursday, September 11**

10:00 a.m. - Conversations (Art Quest)  
10:30 p.m. - Sound Sprouts (2)  
3:00 p.m. - Sound Sprouts (2)  
5:30 p.m. - Faithful Ringers (MR)  
7:00 p.m. - Faithful Harmonizers (S)  
7:00 p.m. - Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

#### **Friday, September 12- Church Office Closed**

1:30 p.m. - Daybreak Meal

#### **Saturday, September 13**

### Next Week

#### **Sunday, September 14**

10:00 a.m. - Worship Service  
5:00 p.m. - Youth Group

#### **Monday, September 15**

7:00 p.m. - Ministry to the Community (P)  
7:00 p.m. - Emmaus Chorale (FH)

#### **Tuesday, September 16**

10:30 a.m. - Sound Sprouts (2)  
3:00 p.m. - Sound Sprouts (2)  
7:00 p.m. - Deacons' Meeting (BR)

#### **Wednesday, September 17**

8:00 a.m. - Rotary Food Program (FH)  
9:30 a.m. - Women of Faith (BR)  
Noon - WOW (P)  
3:30 p.m. - Teachers' Closet  
5:30 p.m. - Faithful Ringers (MR)  
7:00 p.m. - Faithful Harmonizers (S)

#### **Thursday, September 18**

10:30 a.m. - Sound Sprouts (2)  
3:00 p.m. - Sound Sprouts (2)  
7:00 p.m. - Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

#### **Friday, September 19 - Church Office Closed**

#### **Saturday, September 20**

10:00 a.m. - Quilters (FH)  
11:00 a.m. - Farewell to Summer

**Daybreak – September 12  
Flyer deadline—November 16  
2025 Per Capita—\$50.00**

#### *Are You Getting the Info You Need?*

Faith Church has four email lists. Are you interested in being added to one or more of them? Please indicate your interest, add your email address, tear off this tab, and drop in the offering plate.

- Weekly Announcements     Quarterly Newsletter  
 Prayer Chain                       Emergency Alerts

Name & email: \_\_\_\_\_  
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### **Mark Your Calendars!**

- Sep. 21-28..... Pastor's vacation/study leave
- Sep. 28..... Peace & Global Witness, Clean-up Day
- Oct. 5..... Joint Worship @ The Barn
- Oct. 13..... NO Daybreak
- Oct. 19..... Crop Hunger Walk
- Nov. 2..... Stewardship Sunday
- Nov. 8..... Presbytery Meeting @ Faith
- Nov. 10..... Daybreak (special date)
- 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