

*THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP
23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

10:00 AM

SEPTEMBER 14, 2025



Welcome, friends — new and familiar! The psalmist reminds us:
“This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it” (Psalm 118:24).
May our hearts be open today to God’s presence, peace, and purpose.

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

“Andante”

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*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come, all who feel lost or overlooked—

All: God is already with us.

One: Come, all who long to be found—

All: God’s arms are already open wide.

One: Whether we’ve wandered far or barely moved—

All: God rejoices in bringing us home.

One: Let us worship the One who celebrates with us in all our homecomings.

All: With joy and gratitude, we worship God!

*OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN #803

“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

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My Shepherd Will Supply My Need 803

(Psalm 23)

1 My shep-herd will sup - ply my need; Je - ho - vah is his name.
 2 When I walk through the shades of death your pres-ence is my stay;
 3 The sure pro - vi - sions of my God at - tend me all my days;

In pas - tures fresh he makes me feed, be - side the liv - ing stream.
 one word of your sup - port - ing breath drives all my fears a - way.
 O may your house be my a - bode, and all my work be praise.

He brings my wan - dering spir - it back when I for - sake his ways,
 Your hand, in sight of all my foes, does still my ta - ble spread;
 There would I find a set - tled rest, while oth - ers go and come;

and leads me, for his mer - cy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.
 my cup with bless - ings o - ver - flows; your oil a - noints my head.
 no more a strang - er, or a guest, but like a child at home.

The effectiveness of this beloved paraphrase of Psalm 23 owes much to the flowing shape note melody that serves as a "living stream" to carry the text, which in turn has been given a remarkable clarity and lightness through the poet's masterful use of single-syllable words.

LITANY OF AFFIRMATION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

PSALM 14:1-7 (THE MESSAGE)

14 Bileous and bloated, they gas, “God is gone.”

Their words are poison gas, fouling the air; they poison

Rivers and skies; thistles are their cash crop.

2 God sticks his head out of heaven. He looks around.

He’s looking for someone not stupid— one man, even, God-expectant,
just one God-ready woman.

3 He comes up empty. A string of zeros.

Useless, unshepherded Sheep, taking turns pretending to be Shepherd.

The ninety and nine follow their fellow.

4 Don’t they know anything, all these predators?

Don’t they know they can’t get away with this—

Treating people like a fast-food meal over which they’re too busy to pray?

5-6 Night is coming for them, and nightmares, for God takes the side of victims.

Do you think you can mess with the dreams of the poor?

You can’t, for God makes their dreams come true.

7 Is there anyone around to save Israel? Yes. God is around; God turns life around.

Turned-around Jacob skips rope, turned-around Israel sings laughter.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

LUKE 15:1-10 (THE MESSAGE)

15 1-3 By this time a lot of men and women of questionable reputation were hanging around Jesus, listening intently. The Pharisees and religion scholars were not pleased, not at all pleased. They growled, “He takes in sinners and eats meals with them, treating them like old friends.” Their grumbling triggered this story.

4-7 “Suppose one of you had a hundred sheep and lost one. Wouldn’t you leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the lost one until you found it? When found, you can be sure you would put it across your shoulders, rejoicing, and when you got

home call in your friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Celebrate with me! I’ve found my lost sheep!’ Count on it—there’s more joy in heaven over one sinner’s rescued life than over ninety-nine good people in no need of rescue.

8-10 “Or imagine a woman who has ten coins and loses one. Won’t she light a lamp and scour the house, looking in every nook and cranny until she finds it? And when she finds it you can be sure she’ll call her friends and neighbors: ‘Celebrate with me! I found my lost coin!’ Count on it—that’s the kind of party God’s angels throw every time one lost soul turns to God.”

MESSAGE

“Lost and Found”

*HYMN #721

“You Are My All In All”

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**Part-I*
 F C Dm Dm⁷ Am Gm⁷ F/C C⁷

1. You are my strength when I am weak. You are the treasure that I seek. You are my all in
 2. Tak-ing my sin, my cross, my shame, Ris-ing a - gain I bless Your name; You are my all in
**Part I and Part II may be sung as a round.*

4 F C⁷ F C Dm Dm⁷ Am

all. _____ Seek-ing You as a pre-cious jew^l, Lord, to give up I'd be a
 all. _____ When I fall down, You pick me up; When I am dry, You fill my

7 Gm⁷ F/C C⁷ B^b/F F **Part-II* F C Dm Dm⁷ Am

fool. You are my all in all. Je - sus, Lamb of God,
 cup; You are my all in all.

11 Gm⁷ F/C C⁷ F C⁷ F C

wor - thy is Your name! _____ Je - sus,

14 Dm Dm⁷ Am Gm⁷ F/C C⁷ B^b/F F

Lamb of God, wor - thy is Your name!

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN #748

"Go With Us Lord"

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DISCIPLESHIP AND MISSION

Go with Us, Lord 748

Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and

The first line of music is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of a treble and bass staff. The melody is written in the treble staff with a star above the note 'L' in 'Lord'. The bass staff provides a simple harmonic accompaniment.

ev - ery com - ing day, that in your Spir - it

The second line of music continues the melody and accompaniment. A star is placed above the note 'S' in 'Spir'. The lyrics are split across the two staves.

strong and true our lives may be our gift to you.

The third line of music concludes the phrase. The melody ends with a double bar line. The lyrics are split across the two staves.

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Andante"

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Faith Life

September 14, 2025

We look forward to having you join us after worship for a time of fellowship, along with beverages and snacks!

SUNDAY Morning TOGETHER

Sept. 21 - Vision Team, Fellowship

Sept. 28—Clean-up day, light lunch

Please take a look at page 2 for information about the upcoming weeks and details concerning our weekly gatherings.

Thank You!

you're THE BEST

For two consecutive days, the Faith Church family truly came together to ensure the success of our events. The Yard Sale thrived thanks to everyone's efforts in setting up and cleaning up afterward. The following day, we enjoyed our first Potluck luncheon of the new season of Sunday Morning Together, where everyone contributed to the delicious spread and helped with the cleanup. What an amazing group you all are!



Volunteers Needed

Farewell to Summer Festival

Saturday, September 20th

11:00am - 3:00pm

Email Heather Davis at hjg22588@gmail.com with any availability you might have

Volunteers Needed on Sundays!
Please see the 2nd page for details.



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!



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

Faith Hosts Presbytery Meeting

Faith Presbyterian Church will host Mountain Laurel Presbytery's meeting (Lehigh/Lackawanna merge) on Saturday, November 8. We need volunteers to greet, register, and prepare light snacks and lunch. The meeting starts at 9:00 a.m.

If you are available, please contact Sally Heimbach.



November 8

Faith Presbyterian Church

3002 N. Second Street, PO Box 507 Emmaus, PA 18048
610-967-5600 office@faithchurchemmaus.org
www.faithchurchemmaus.org

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!

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.

- **November 13, December 7, 21, 24 (5 p.m.), 28**

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

Pastoral Care Needs

For medical emergencies or death, contact Pastor Rebecca, or contact the Moderator of Deacons, Yvonne Stauffer. Contact information is in the directory.



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

September 28 - Pastor Becki on study leave
Rev. Doug Crouce preaching

**SUNDAY
Morning
TOGETHER**

SCHEDULE

- **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



Conversations

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

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, is looking for volunteers to support youth group. If you have an idea for a program, or if you would like to join us for an activity, we would love to have you join us! One of the gifts of faith communities are the intergenerational relationships that form into mentorships. You all have the potential to be excellent mentors to our youth. If you would like to think this through or ask questions about mentoring, I would love to talk to you! Please feel free to call or email her anytime.



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 **1st Saturday from 10-11:30 am** and the **3rd 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 - October 19



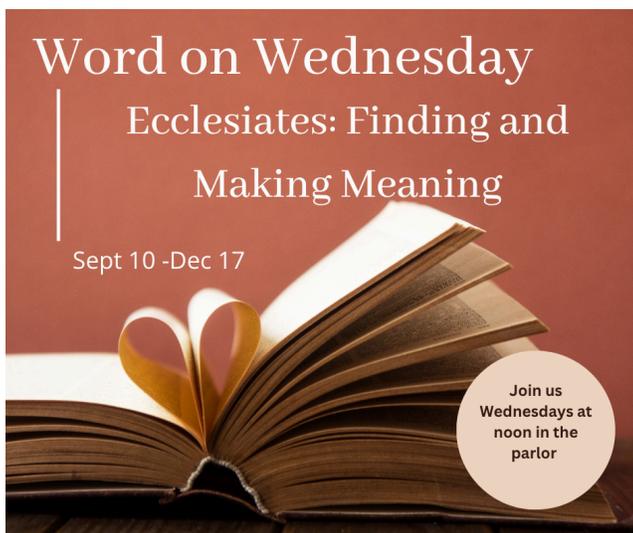
As emphasized in the most recent issue of *The Faith Flyer*, we are truly grateful for your generosity last year, which played a significant role in helping us raise a portion of the \$32,000 collected locally. The funds benefited local food banks as well as the CWS in their efforts to fight hunger and 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 or going to our team page, which can be found at the link below.



<https://events.crophungerwalk.org/crophungerwalks/team/faith-presbyterian-church-emmaus-pa>



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

STEWARDSHIP FACT

14% of Faith Presbyterian Church's pledged funds are allocated to mission endeavors. This helps fund our Youth Work Camp, the Teachers' Closet, our Daybreak and Ripple meals, the Faith Feeds Garden and contributions to EPNHN, Angel Networks, the Warming Station and more.

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 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

Next Week

Sunday, September 21 - Pastor on Vacation/Study leave

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

Monday, September 22

Garden Club Flower Show set-up (FH)
7:00 p.m. - Emmaus Chorale (S)

Tuesday, September 23

8:30 a.m. - Garden Club Flower Show (FH)

Wednesday, September 24

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

Thursday, September 25

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

Friday, September 26 - Church Office Closed

Saturday, September 27

Daybreak – October 13
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: _____



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
- 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