

Welcome to worship. In this Lenten season, we long for good news.
May our care for one another embody Christ's love today.

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
March 1, 2026

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You can support the mission and ministry of our church by donating online at <https://bit.ly/39QO3dQ>. You can scan this QR code, which will take you directly to the donate page on our website. We deeply appreciate your generosity and are so thankful for each of you!

**THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP
2ND SUNDAY IN LENT**

10:00 AM

MARCH 1, 2026



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 *"Sunset to Sunrise Changes Now"*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Tell me something good!

All: **God loves you more than you could imagine.**

One: Tell me something good!

All: **God loves all of creation more than you could imagine.**

One: Tell me something good!

All: **God's love meets us in this service of worship. We are not alone.**

One: This is good news indeed!

All: **Let us worship our compassionate God.**

***OPENING PRAYER**

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 475

1 Come, thou Fount of ev-ery bless-ing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;
 2 Here I raise my Eb - e - ne - zer; hith - er by thy help I'm come;
 3 O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to be!

streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
 and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
 Let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee.

Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;
 Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger, wan - dering from the fold of God;
 Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;

praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love!
 he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
 here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Written for Pentecost by a British Baptist pastor, this text is full of biblical terms like "Ebenezer" (1 Samuel 7:12), Hebrew for "a stone of help" set up to give thanks for God's assistance. The tune name honors hymnal compiler Asahel Nettleton, who probably did not compose it.

LITANY OF AFFIRMATION

One: Family of faith, we long to love others as God loves us, but that work is easier said than done. We lose our way. We become distracted. We grow fearful. We need God's grace. Fortunately for us, God's grace is freely and abundantly given. So join me in the Prayer of Confession. Join me in being transformed. Let us pray.

All: Merciful God, did we see you hungry and give you something to eat? Did we see you thirsty and give you something to drink? Did we see you alone and offer you compassion? Or did we cross the street? Did we avert our eyes? Did we come up with every excuse in the book? God, we long to be people who love our neighbors with the same overwhelming love that you have for them. But we must admit, we have a long way to go. Forgive us for the times when we let bias, scarcity, or fear get in the way of love. Wash us clean and give us the courage to try again. With hope for a better tomorrow, we pray.

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: Special Offerings

THE WORD OF GOD TO THE CHURCH

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

PSALM 121

- ¹ I lift up my eyes to the hills— from where will my help come?
- ² My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.
- ³ He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.
- ⁴ He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.
- ⁵ The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand.
- ⁶ The sun shall not strike you by day nor the moon by night.
- ⁷ The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.
- ⁸ The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

LUKE 7:36-50

³⁶ One of the Pharisees asked Jesus^[a] to eat with him, and when he went into the Pharisee's house he reclined to dine. ³⁷ And a woman in the city who was a sinner, having learned that he was eating in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster jar of ointment. ³⁸ She stood behind him at his feet, weeping, and began to bathe his feet with her tears and to dry them with her hair, kissing his feet and anointing them with the ointment. ³⁹ Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw it, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what kind of woman this is who is touching him, that she is a sinner." ⁴⁰ Jesus spoke up and said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." "Teacher," he replied, "speak." ⁴¹ "A certain moneylender had two debtors; one owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. ⁴² When they could not pay, he canceled the debts for both of them. Now, which of them will love him more?" ⁴³ Simon answered, "I suppose the one for whom he canceled the greater debt." And Jesus^[b] said to him, "You have judged rightly." ⁴⁴ Then, turning toward the woman, he said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has bathed my feet with her tears and dried them with her hair. ⁴⁵ You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in, she has not stopped kissing my feet. ⁴⁶ You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment. ⁴⁷ Therefore, I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven; hence she has shown great love. But the one to whom little is forgiven loves little." ⁴⁸ Then he said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." ⁴⁹ But those who were at the table with him began to say among themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?" ⁵⁰ But he said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

MESSAGE

"The Good News is Great Love for God and Neighbor"

*HYMN

O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go 833

1 O Love that wilt not let me go, I rest my
 2 O Light that fol-lowest all my way, I yield my
 3 O Joy that seek - est me through pain, I can - not
 4 O Cross that lift - est up my head, I dare not

wea - ry soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, that
 flick - ering torch to thee; my heart re - stores its bor - rowed ray, that
 close my heart to thee; I trace the rain - bow through the rain, and
 ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glo - ry dead, and

in thine o - cean depths its flow may rich - er, full - er be.
 in thy sun - shine's blaze its day may bright - er, fair - er be.
 feel the prom - ise is not vain that morn shall tear - less be.
 from the ground there blos - soms red life that shall end - less be.

This intense hymn of commitment to God (addressed as Love, Light, and Joy) closes with an invocation of the ultimate testimony to those attributes (the Cross). The composer, a Scotsman, named this specially-composed tune for the 11th-century patroness of Scotland.

TEXT: George Matheson, 1881, alt.
 MUSIC: Albert Lister Peace, 1884, alt.

ST. MARGARET
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*APOSTLES' CREED

GATHERING JOYS & CONCERNS

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

CALL FOR OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY “*Will You Let Me Be Your Servant*”

*SONG OF RESPONSE #606 “*Doxology*”

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

 INVITATION TO THE TABLE

 PRAYER w/LORD’S PRAYER

 WORDS OF INSTITUTION & COMMUNION

 MUSIC “*Canzonetta*”

PRAYER (*in unison*):

Gracious God, thank you for this communion meal. Let us remind ourselves of the great love you have for us so that we can continue to try to show love to our neighbors and ourselves. In your name we pray. Amen.

*HYMN #435 “*There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy*”
 (sheet music on next page)

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “*May God Grant You a Blessing*”

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



Prelude	Robert J. Powell, OneLicense.net
Hymn #475	Glory to God Hymnal, Public Domain
Hymn #833	Glory to God Hymnal, Public Domain
Offertory	CCLI
Communion	William Stickles, OneLicense.net
Hymn #435	Glory to God Hymnal, Public Domain
Postlude	Public Domain

FORGIVENESS

435 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer - cy, like the wide - ness
 2 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sures

of the sea. There's a kind - ness in God's jus - tice,
 of the mind. And the heart of the E - ter - nal

which is more than lib - er - ty. There is no place where earth's
 is most won - der - ful - ly kind. If our love were but more

sor - rows are more felt than up in heaven. There is no place
 faith - ful, we would glad - ly trust God's Word, and our lives re -

where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given.
 flect thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of our Lord.

These stanzas, excerpted from quite a few more, offer a reminder that the model for our dealings with others should be God's generosity rather than limited human tolerance. The text is effectively set to a broad and sturdy Dutch folk melody, probably from the 17th century.

Faith Life

March 1, 2026

You're warmly invited to stay for lunch! As part of our Sunday Morning Together, we gather in Fellowship Hall for a Potluck Luncheon on the first Sunday of each month immediately following worship. Come for the food, stay for the fellowship and community — there's always room at the table for you.



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.



The Ministry of Support is hosting today's potluck luncheon. Folks have brought whatever they wanted to share: a main dish, side dish, or dessert.

We may find we have all desserts, or we may have a table full of potato salad—but whatever comes through the door, we'll enjoy it together.

And that's the most important thing.



Spiritual Practices: A Lenten Journey

Join us after worship during Lent to explore different spiritual practices



- ◆ February 22: Lectio/Visio Divina
- ◆ March 1: Praying with Color
- ◆ March 8: Labyrinths
- ◆ March 15: Examen
- ◆ March 22: Rule of Life



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Dedication Palm Sunday
March 29



Easter Flower Orders Now Open

Order forms available in the pews, on Facebook & in the weekly email blast.

Or request a form by email.



Order Deadline: Sunday, March 15

Don't miss the deadline — Mail in orders must arrive by March 15th!

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Church Office Hours

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



Daybreak Meal—March 9

Faith Church prepares and serves a meal at Daybreak on the second Monday of each month, from 1:30–4:30 p.m. Can you help?

- **Bake & Drop Off:** Bring cookies or other treats to the church kitchen by noon on the Monday prior. Please label anything with nuts, and sugar-free items are always welcome!
- **Helpers Needed:** Especially cooks! Meet at the church at 1:30 p.m. to carpool.

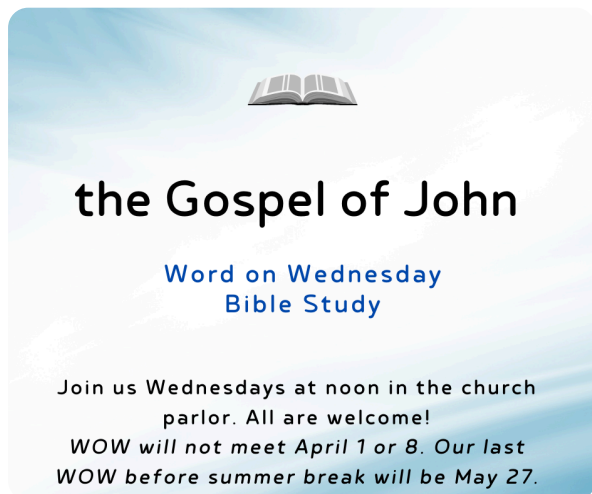
We typically serve 80–100 people, and the clients truly enjoy the variety of home-baked treats you provide. Thank you for sharing your time and talents!


If you can help, or for more details, speak with Carolyn Baittinger or Zona Farmer.



Ripple Meal—March 15

Our next Ripple Meal is in two weeks on Sunday, March 15. The meal is held at St. Stephen Lutheran Church, located at 1421 W. Turner Street in Allentown. They have a nice, large parking lot, which is conveniently located behind the church. We meet at St. Stephen's at 2:30 pm. We are looking for a few more volunteers to help with serving the meals and or making a batch of homemade treats. If you can help, please speak to Pam Martin.





the Gospel of John

**Word on Wednesday
Bible Study**

Join us Wednesdays at noon in the church parlor. All are welcome!
WOW will not meet April 1 or 8. Our last WOW before summer break will be May 27.



Conversations

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

We will not meet this month, but will gather again on **April 9**.

If you have any questions, please speak with Anne Laubach or Donna Call. Thank you!



Teachers' Closet

Faith Church's Teachers' Closet offers local educators a free and welcoming place to gather the classroom supplies they need—items they would often otherwise purchase out of their own pockets. Our local teachers, especially those working in elementary and middle schools, have expressed deep gratitude for this support.

- 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 list of remaining dates for the 2025-26 school year is listed in the latest 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 Teachers' Closet. Scan this code or go to <https://bit.ly/46Pjb7l>



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Easter Breakfast

Proceeds benefit Work Camp

Serving begins at 8:30 on Easter morning.

Please sign up on the bulletin board by Fellowship Hall.

\$10 for adults - \$5 for kids under 12.

Extra hands are always welcome!
Help will be needed on **Sat. April 4** and Easter morning.
Anyone willing to help with preparation, serving, and clean-up should reach out to John Gill.



You Can Be A Worship Assistant!



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.

Dates needed: March 22, 29

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 grow together as a church family. Hosting is simple—clear instructions are provided—and your warm hospitality blesses everyone who gathers!

Dates needed: March 8, 15, 22, 29

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. Our ushers help everything run smoothly by greeting worshipers, sharing materials, and offering a friendly smile. It's easy to do—and we provide all the reminders and instructions you need! Thank you to all who have volunteered to usher.

Dates needed: Maundy Thursday, Every Sunday in April

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

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!

Dates needed: Every Sunday in March

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



March 8 - *"The Good News is that Together, the Impossible is Possible"*
Mark 6:32-44

March 15 - *"The Good News is Protection and Care for the Vulnerable"*
Matthew 19:13-15



TODAY—Potluck (Ministry of Support), Lenten Bible Study

Mar. 8—Lenten Bible Study, Fellowship, Children's Music

Mar. 15—Lenten Bible Study, Fellowship

Mar. 22—Lenten Bible Study, Fellowship

Mar. 29—Easter All-ages Scavenger Hunt, Fellowship

Apr. 5—EASTER Breakfast

Apr. 12—Bloom for Women presentation, Fellowship,
Children's music

Apr. 19—Clean-up day, light lunch

Apr. 26—Q & A with Pastor Becki, Fellowship,
Children's music

Have You Paid Your Per Capita?

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

As of today, we have received **\$4,965.21** toward our 2026 total amount due of **\$9,100**. The apportionment per member is **\$50** for 2026. You can pay your per capita online, or by check made payable to Faith Presbyterian Church.

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

thisweek

Sunday, March 1

10:00 am: Worship Service: Communion
11:00 am: Potluck Luncheon
 Spiritual Practices: A Lenten Journey
5:00 pm: Youth Group (5)

Monday, March 2

7:00 pm: Emmaus Chorale (FH)

Tuesday, March 3

9:30 am: Growing in Grace Academy (3)
3:00 pm: Sound Sprouts (2)
7:00 pm: Ministry of Support (BR)

Wednesday, March 4

8:00 am: Rotary Foods Program
9:30 am: Women of Faith (BR)
9:30 am: Growing in Grace Academy (3)
 Noon: Word on Wednesdays (P)
5:30 pm: Faithful Ringers (MR)
7:00 pm: Faithful Harmonizers (S)

Thursday, March 5

9:30 am: Growing in Grace Academy (3)
10:30 am: Sound Sprouts (2)
7:00 pm: Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

Friday, March 6- Office Closed

Saturday, March 7

9:00 am: Zumba (FH)
10:00 am: Teachers' Closet

nextweek

Sunday, March 8

10:00 am: Worship Service
11:00 am: Spiritual Practices: A Lenten Journey
5:00 pm: Youth Group (5)

Monday, March 9

1:00 pm: Daybreak Meal
7:00 pm: Emmaus Chorale (FH)
7:15 pm: Ministry to the Congregation (P)

Tuesday, March 10

9:30 am: Growing in Grace Academy (3)
3:00 pm: Sound Sprouts (2)
7:00 pm: Session (BR)

Wednesday, March 11

8:00 am: Rotary Foods Program
9:30 am: Women of Faith (BR)
9:30 am: Growing in Grace Academy (3)
 Noon: Word on Wednesdays (P)
5:30 pm: Faithful Ringers (MR)
7:00 pm: Faithful Harmonizers (S)
7:00 pm: EPNHN (P)

Thursday, March 12

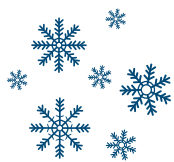
9:30 am: Growing in Grace Academy (3)
10:30 am: Sound Sprouts (2)
7:00 pm: Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

Friday, March 13- Office Closed

Saturday, March 14

9:00 am: Zumba (FH)

Snow Cancellation Policy



If the snow starts piling up and you're wondering whether we are holding our Sunday service, stay safe and check WFMZ StormCenter for the latest cancellation updates:
wfmz.com/weather/stormcenter/

Daybreak—March 9
Ripple - March 15
Flyer deadline—May 17
2026 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: _____

- Mar. 15..... Deacons' Meeting
- Mar. 29..... Palm Sunday, Easter Egg Hunt
- Mar. 29..... One Great Hour of Sharing
- Apr. 2..... Maundy Thursday
- Apr. 3..... Good Friday @ The Barn
- Apr. 5..... Easter
- Apr. 19..... Clean-Up Day
- May 4..... She Nailed It!
- May 30..... Yard Sale
- June 20-28..... Work Camp
- July..... Vacation Bible School