

Welcome to worship. As Easter people, we gather to practice hospitality as a spiritual practice—opening our hearts, our lives, and our community to God and one another.

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.**



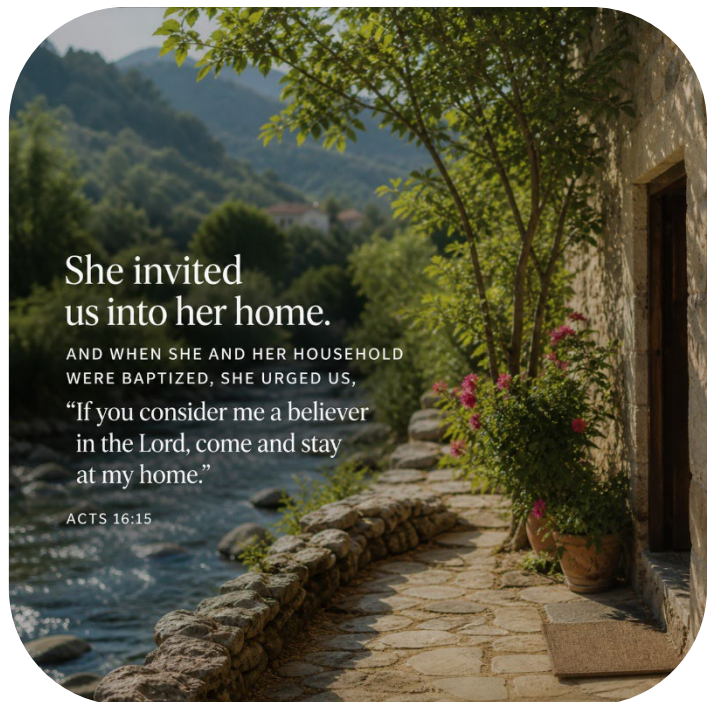
### ***Order of Worship***

***May 10***

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She invited  
us into her home.

AND WHEN SHE AND HER HOUSEHOLD  
WERE BAPTIZED, SHE URGED US,

“If you consider me a believer  
in the Lord, come and stay  
at my home.”

ACTS 16:15



#### **Did You Know?**

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  
6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**10:00 AM**

**MAY 10, 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

*"Reflection on 'Kremser'"*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

**One:** We gather today because God is still at work— still opening hearts, still drawing people in, still creating spaces of belonging.

**All:** In a place of prayer, by the water's edge,  
God met Lydia—not with force, but with invitation. Her heart was opened, and her life became a place of welcome.

**One:** And so we come— not as people who have it all figured out, but as people willing to be opened.

**All:** Open to God's presence among us. Open to one another. Open to the possibility that faith takes shape in simple acts of attention, generosity, and care.

**One:** So let us worship God— who welcomes us, who meets us, and who invites us to make room for grace in our lives and in our world.

**\*OPENING PRAYER**

\*HYMN

# Called as Partners in Christ's Service 761

1 Called as part-ners in Christ's ser-vice, called to min-is-tries of grace,  
 2 Christ's ex-am-ple, Christ's in-spir-ing, Christ's clear call to work and worth,  
 3 Thus new pat-terns for Christ's mis-sion, in a small or glob-al sense,  
 4 So God grant us for to - mor-row ways to or - der hu - man life

we re-pond with deep com-mit-ment fresh new lines of faith to trace.  
 let us fol-low, nev - er fal-tering, rec - on - cil - ing folk on earth.  
 help us bear each oth - er's bur-dens, break-ing down each wall or fence.  
 that sur-round each per - son's sor-row with a calm that con-quests strife.

May we learn the art of shar-ing, side by side and friend with friend,  
 Men and wom-en, rich - er, poor - er, all God's peo-ple, young and old,  
 Words of com - fort, words of vi - sion, words of chal-lenge, said with care,  
 Make us part-ners in our liv - ing, our com-pas-sion to in - crease,

e - qual part-ners in our car-ing to ful - fill God's cho - sen end.  
 blend-ing hu - man skills to - geth - er gra - cious gifts from God un - fold.  
 bring new power and strength for ac-tion, make us col-leagues, free and fair.  
 mes - sen-gers of faith, thus giv-ing hope and con - fi - dence and peace.

This hymn is a celebration of mutuality and diversity as well as a challenge to the Christian community to live out a ministry of reconciliation and inclusion. This 20th-century text is set to a 19th-century tune named for the noted pastor and preacher Henry Ward Beecher.

## LITANY OF AFFIRMATION

**One:** In Acts 16, Lydia responds to God's presence with openness and hospitality. She listens, she believes, and she makes space—welcoming others into her home and her life. It is a simple yet profound expression of faith. And if we are honest, we know that kind of openness does not always come easily to us. We can be guarded with our time, our space, and our attention. So we come before God not as people who have mastered hospitality, but as people still learning how to receive and to extend grace. Let us confess our sin together.

**All:** Gracious God, you welcome us with a love that is generous and unreserved, yet we confess how often we hold back. We guard our time, our resources, and our lives, reluctant to be interrupted or inconvenienced. We miss opportunities to notice others, to listen deeply, or to offer simple acts of care. At times, we struggle not only to extend hospitality, but also to receive it—to trust that we, too, are worthy of being welcomed and loved. Forgive us for the ways we close ourselves off from you and from one another. Teach us to recognize your presence in unexpected places and people. By your Spirit, form in us a spirit of hospitality that reflects your grace—generous, attentive, and full of welcome.

**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”*

## THE WORD OF GOD TO THE CHURCH

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

JOHN 14:15-21

<sup>15</sup>“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup>And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. <sup>17</sup>This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

<sup>18</sup>“I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. <sup>19</sup>In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. <sup>20</sup>On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. <sup>21</sup>They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

#### SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

ACTS 16:11-15

<sup>11</sup> We therefore<sup>[a]</sup> set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, <sup>12</sup>and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. <sup>13</sup> On the Sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed<sup>[b]</sup> there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. <sup>14</sup> A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. <sup>15</sup> When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.” And she prevailed upon us.

#### MESSAGE

*“Lydia’s Open Door”*

## 486 Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

1 Child of bless - ing, child of prom - ise, bap - tized  
 2 Child of love, our love's ex - pres - sion, love's cre -  
 3 Child of joy, our dear - est trea - sure, God's you  
 4 Child of God, your lov - ing Par - ent, learn to

with the Spir - it's sign, with this wa - ter God has  
 a - tion, loved in - deed! Fresh from God, re - fresh our  
 are, from God you came. Back to God we hum - bly  
 lis - ten for God's call. Grow to laugh and sing and

sealed you un - to love and grace di - vine.  
 spir - its; in - to joy and laugh - ter lead.  
 give you: live as one who bears Christ's name.  
 wor - ship; trust and love God more than all.

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS  
 INTERCESSIONS AND PETITIONS  
 THE LORD'S PRAYER

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

CALL FOR OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY

Faithful Harmonizers

*"Be Joyful in the Lord"*

\*SONG OF RESPONSE #606

*"Doxology"*

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*HYMN #708 (spiral book)  
(sheet music on next page.)

*"Step By Step"*

*sing 2X*

\*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

a reprisal of *"Hallelujah Chorus"*

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



# Step By Step

Words and Music by  
David "Beaker" Strasser

♩ = 104

O God, You are my God, and I will ev - er praise You. O

The first system of music is in 4/4 time with a tempo of 104. It features a treble and bass clef staff. The melody is in G major. The lyrics are: "O God, You are my God, and I will ev - er praise You. O".

5

God, You are my God, and I will ev - er praise You. I will

The second system of music continues the melody. The lyrics are: "God, You are my God, and I will ev - er praise You. I will".

9

seek You in the morn - ing, and I will learn to walk in Your ways; And

The third system of music continues the melody. The lyrics are: "seek You in the morn - ing, and I will learn to walk in Your ways; And".

13

step by step You'll lead me, and I will fol - low You all of my days.

The fourth system of music concludes the piece. The lyrics are: "step by step You'll lead me, and I will fol - low You all of my days."

# Faith Life

May 10, 2026

We warmly invite you to linger after worship and share in a time of fellowship. It's a wonderful opportunity to connect, catch up, and build community—and we'll have refreshments and snacks waiting to make it even sweeter. We'd love for you to stay and join us!



## Daybreak Meal—Tomorrow

Faith Church prepares and serves a meal at Daybreak on the second Monday of each month from 1:30–4:30 pm. We'd love your help!

### **Bake & Drop Off:**

Please bring cookies or other homemade treats to the church kitchen by noon tomorrow. Label items with nuts; sugar-free options are appreciated. We typically serve 80–100 people, and your contributions are always enjoyed!

### **Kitchen Helpers Needed:**

We especially need cooks! Gather at the church at 1:30 p.m. to carpool over together.

Thank you for sharing your time, gifts, and heart.

If you're able to help or would like more information, please speak with Carolyn Baittinger or Zona Farmer.



## Caps Off to Our Graduates!

Are you graduating this year? Do you have a high school or college graduate in your household this year? We would love to celebrate with you!

Please send the graduate's name, where they are graduating from, and their future plans (work, school, adventures, or all of the above!) to the church office for inclusion in our summer newsletter.

Your church family is so proud of all the hard work, perseverance, and growth that has brought you to this milestone—we can't wait to share and celebrate your accomplishments together!

Let's cheer on our grads—**send those details in by Monday, May 18 at 9:00 am!**



TODAY—Fellowship, Children's music  
May 17—SMT wrap up, Fellowship

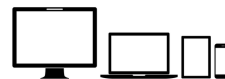


## Conversations

Conversations is a women's group that meets monthly at coffee cafes to discuss various topics of interest.

Conversations will meet at **Art Beat on May 14** at 10 am, and explore the ideas/experience of the recent Faith 250.

If you have any questions about Conversations, speak to Anne Laubach or Donna Call.



## New Look. Same Faith!

**Mark your calendar for May 11!** Our newly refreshed website goes live that day. We invite you to take a look and discover an easier way to stay connected with the life of our church.



## Faith Feeds Garden Update

We are hoping to plant the rest of the crops on **Saturday, May 16** at 9 am. If it is raining we will plan on planting on Sunday, May 17. Please let Sally Heimbach know if you are able to help.





*Seeking*  
**VOLUNTEERS**  
TO HELP ON  
*Sunday Mornings*  
**PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE NARTHEX.**

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### Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to Noon  
Closed Fridays  
Summer Hours begin the week of May 24 (closed Mondays)



## Teachers' Closet Supporting Educators

Faith Church's Teachers' Closet provides local educators with a welcoming place to pick up free classroom supplies—items

many would otherwise buy with their own money. Elementary and middle school teachers in our area are deeply grateful for this support.

Remaining Date:

- **Wednesday, May 20: 3:30–5:00 p.m.**

Please continue to support the closet through our Amazon Wish List. Scan the QR code or go to <https://bit.ly/46Pjb7L>.



Even though the school year is winding down, the need doesn't stop. Restocking the closet over the summer ensures we're fully prepared to support teachers when school begins again in the fall.

## She Nailed It!

Our team (Mary Horst, Sally Heimbach, Lynn Ingram and Anne Zayaitz) had a time of 34 seconds, which is 2 seconds faster than last year. The winning time was 16 seconds!! The team thanks all that supported us financially and also to those folks who came out to cheer us on!

Also a big thank you to our tailgate team of Zona Farmer, Carolyn Baittinger, Ginnie Tietjens and the WOF for their hard work.

**YARD SALE!**  
**MAY 30**  
**8 AM TO 1 PM**  
**TWO OR THREE VENDOR SPACES AVAILABLE**  
**SPACES \$10 EACH**  
 CONTACT  
**Sally Heimbach**



**May 17 - "Faith in the Public Square"**  
Acts 17:16-34

**May 24 - Pentecost**  
"The Church Set on Fire (but not literally)"  
Acts 2:1-21



## News from Ripple

Ripple Church has created an Amazon Wish List highlighting their most urgent needs. If you wish to learn more, or would like to donate, use the link below or scan the QR code. Any items you purchase will be sent directly to Ripple, so there's no need to worry about delivering your donation yourself.

Clean undergarments are especially needed as many of their clients do not have access to laundry facilities nor a safe place to keep spare clothing. Any donations will be truly appreciated.



**Link to Amazon wish list:** <https://bit.ly/4t92zRX>



**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.

## Two Weeks of Faith

This calendar is prepared a few days ahead of distribution.  
For the most current information, please visit the church [website](#).



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

### thisweek

**Sunday, May 10**

10:00 am: Worship Service  
11:00 am: Sunday Morning Together

**Monday, May 11**

1:30 pm: Daybreak Meal  
7:00 pm: Emmaus Chorale (FH)

**Tuesday, May 12**

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

**Wednesday, May 13**

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

**Thursday, May 14**

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

**Friday, May 15- Office Closed**

**Saturday, May 16**

10:00 am: Quilters (FH)

### nextweek

**Sunday, May 17**

10:00 am: Worship Service  
11:00 am: Sunday Morning Together wrap-up  
5:00 pm: Youth Group End-of-Year Party

**Monday, May 18**

9:00 am: Summer Newsletter Deadline  
7:00 pm: Emmaus Chorale (S)  
7:15 pm: Ministry to the Community (P)

**Tuesday, May 19**

7:00 am: Primary Voting (FH)  
9:30 am: Growing in Grace (3)  
7:00 pm: Deacons Meeting (BR)

**Wednesday, May 20**

7:30 am: Synod of the Trinity Meeting (FH)  
8:00 am: Rotary Foods Program  
9:30 am: Growing in Grace (3)  
9:30 am: Women of Faith (K)  
Noon: Word on Wednesday  
3:30 pm: Teachers' Closet  
7:00 pm: Faithful Harmonizers (S)

**Thursday, May 21**

9:30 am: Growing in Grace (3)  
9:30 am: Women of Faith (K)  
7:00 pm: Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

**Friday, May 22- Office Closed**

**Saturday, May 23**

**Daybreak—May 11  
Flyer deadline—May 18  
2026 Per Capita—\$50.00**

## A Look Ahead

- May 24..... Pentecost
- May 25..... Memorial Day: Summer Office Hours
- May 30..... Yard Sale
- June 20-28..... Work Camp
- June 21-25..... Office Admin Vacation
- July 4..... Independence Day
- July 26..... Praise God in Community
- July 26..... Montreat Youth Conference
- July 27-30..... Vacation Bible School
- Sept. 9..... Labor Day (office closed)
- Sept. 14..... Regular Office Hours Resume
- Oct. 4..... World Communion Sunday @ The Barn
- Oct. 12..... Indigenous Peoples' Day (office closed)

*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

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