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THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP
11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10:00 AM ***AUGUST 16, 2026***

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CREATION AND PROVIDENCE

*HYMN

32 I Sing the Mighty Power of God



With minimal revision this text brings together six of the eight four-line stanzas in an 18th-century hymn written for children and originally headed "Praise for Creation and Providence." The anonymous German tune provides a fitting sense of breadth and wonder.

TEXT: Isaac Watts, 1715, alt. ELLACOMBE
MUSIC: *Gesangbuch der Herzogl. Wirtembergischen Katholischen Hofkapelle,* 1784; alt. 1868 CMD

LITANY OF AFFIRMATION

One: God is merciful and forgives us when we confess our sins.

All: Even when we try, we fall short and do the things we ought not to do, and fail to do the things that we ought to do.

One: Then let us turn our hearts to God and confess our sins and shortcomings.

All: Lord, in your mercy, 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 GENESIS 45:1-15; 50:20-21

45 Then Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him,
and he cried out, "Send everyone away from me." So no one stayed with him when
Joseph made himself known to his brothers. **2** And he wept so loudly that the
Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. **3** Joseph said to his
brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer
him, so dismayed were they at his presence.
4 Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He
said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. **5** And now do not be

distressed or angry with yourselves because you sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life. 6 For the famine has been in the land these two years, and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. 7 God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth and to keep alive for you many survivors. 8 So it was not you who sent me here but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. 9 Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me; do not delay. 10 You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. 11 I will provide for you there, since there are five more years of famine to come, so that you and your household and all that you have will not come to poverty.' 12 And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. 13 You must tell my father how greatly I am honored in Egypt and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here." 14 Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. 15 And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them, and after that his brothers talked with him.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON GALATIANS 5:19-26

19 Now the works of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity,
debauchery, 20 idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions,
factions, 21 envy,[a] drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as
I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.
22 By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity,
faithfulness, 23 gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. 24 And
those who belong to Christ[b] have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. 25 If
we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit. 26 Let us not become conceited,
competing against one another, envying one another.

MESSAGE *"Where Is God in Our Story?"*

*HYMN

DISCIPLESHIP AND MISSION

726 Will You Come and Follow Me

The Summons



The first four stanzas of this ballad-like hymn are understood to be in the voice of Christ, with the fifth reflecting the individual singer's response. Created for this traditional Scottish tune, the text was written to mark the conclusion of a youth volunteer's time of ministry.

TEXT: John L. Bell and Graham Maule, 1987
MUSIC: Scottish melody; arr. John L. Bell, 1987
Text and Music Arr. © 1987 WGRG, Iona Community (admin. GIA Publications, Inc.)

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SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS

"Lord, in Your Mercy, Hear Our Prayers"

INTERCESSIONS AND PETITIONS
THE LORD'S PRAYER — Glory to God Hymnal – Pg. 35
(Please use "debts & debtors".)

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

CALL FOR OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY *"O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee"*
Summer Chime Time

✳SONG OF RESPONSE #606 *"Doxology"*

✳PRAYER OF DEDICATION

✳HYMN #756 *"O God of Every Nation"*
(Sheet music on next page.)

✳CHARGE & BENEDICTION

One: As we leave this place, may we carry God's love in our hearts and share that love with all.

All: We give thanks for God's love and will share that love in our corner of the world, this day and in the days to come.

One: Go now in peace.

POSTLUDE *"March in D Major"*

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

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O God of Every Nation 756



If we truly believe that God cares for all people, we cannot limit our prayers and songs for peace to the welfare of our own nation, no matter how much we may love it. This challenging text is set to a stirring Welsh tune, named for a hamlet with a prominent Baptist chapel.

TEXT: William W. Reid Jr., 1958, alt.
MUSIC: Welsh folk melody; *Llwybrau Moliant,* 1872; harm. *The English Hymnal,* 1906
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Faith Life

August 16, 2026

After the worship service, take a moment to relax! Join us for refreshments, snacks, and engaging conversation. This is a fantastic chance to reconnect with friends, forge new relationships, and enjoy fellowship within our community.



Please welcome **Tom Dilts** to the pulpit this morning. As Pastor Becki continues her sabbatical, we are thankful for Tom's presence among us and for the gifts and ministry he shares with our congregation today.

Tom Dilts has been a member of the FPC congregation since 2015. Tom received a Certificate in Theological Studies from New Brunswick Theological Seminary in May 2025. He lives in Emmaus.



Lehigh Valley Pride Event

The Lehigh Valley Pride Event is coming up on Sunday, August 30. Volunteers from our Presbytery are hosting a booth with temporary tattoos, a Cornhole game, and information about the churches in our Presbytery. Can you donate an hour of your day to partner with other volunteers? Perhaps you and a friend could staff a shift?

Volunteers are needed for:

(1 hr. shifts) Cornhole @ 3, 4, 5, or 6 pm
Temporary Tattoos @ 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6 pm
Information Table @ 1, 4, 5, ot 6 pm

Join other volunteers from:

First Presbyterian Bethlehem
Presbyterian Church in Catasauqua
First Presbyterian Allentown
The Barn
Faith Presbyterian Church Emmaus

Lehigh Valley Pride Event:

Sunday, August 30, 1 to 7 pm
ArtsQuest Center at Steel Stacks
Bethlehem, PA

You can sign up online at:

https://volunteersignup.org/JFLL9

Please contact Pam Martin for more info or help signing up.



August 23 - Joe Smits

August 30 - Heidi Shilanskas
(soon to be Deacon Heidi Shilanskas,
Minister of Word & Service)

September 6 - Rev. Susan Gilbert-Zencka



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.

There is a sign-up sheet for volunteers in the narthex.

Initial Date for the upcoming school year:

- **Wednesday, Aug. 19: 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.

The following items are needed to replenish the closet before the 2026-27 school year starts:

Band-Aids, White Out, Play-Doh, Sensory Items, Magnets, Paper Clips, Scotch Tape, Masking Tape, Reusable Water Bottles, Sharpies, Clorox Wipes, Markers, Disposable Lunch Bags, Glue Sticks, Watercolor Paint Sets, Rulers, Individual Sharpeners, Pencils, Stickers, Loose Leaf Paper, Croc Charms, Laminating Sheets

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Groceries PLUS Food Bank

Current Needs:

- Salad Dressings: 10 oz. plastic bottle
  Thousand Island, Basalmic, Italian Ranch
- BBQ Sauce: 18 oz. plastic bottle
- Chef Boyardee: 15 oz. can
- Pancake Syrup: 24 oz. plastic bottle
- Kids Cereal: 10-12 oz. boxed
- Granola Bars: 7.5 oz. boxed

Ongoing Needs:

- Gift cards from Aldi, Giant, Wegmans, and Weis
  (used to purchase food when needed)
- Any non-perishable food within its "use by/best by" date.

Please, no:

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

Too busy to shop?
There is an Amazon wishlist:

Garden Update

The garden is in full production. Tomatoes are coming in, as well as potatoes and peppers.

Harvest days are Mondays, when we pick, wash, and deliver the vegetables. Extra helping hands are always welcome and appreciated.





Emmaus Community Yard Sale
Saturday, September 12
8 am - 1 pm

We are excited to participate once again in the Emmaus Community Yard Sale on Saturday, September 12.

Setup Details:

- Setup will take place on Friday, September 11.
- If you would like to reserve a table, please reach out to Sally Heimbach.

Donations:

- If you have items to donate, feel free to bring them, properly priced, on the setup day.

The community yard sales provide us with an opportunity to welcome visitors into our space, where they can enjoy our facilities and a light lunch.

If you are available to help with setup or assist during the sale, please contact Sally Heimbach.



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, August 16
10:00 am: Worship Service - Tom Dilts

Monday, August 17: Office Closed **Flyer Deadline**
8:00 am: Garden
7:00 pm: Ministry to the Community (P)

Tuesday, August 18
6:00 pm: Irish Dance Academy (FH)

Wednesday, August 19
8:00 am: Rotary Foods Program
9:30 am: Women of Faith (BR)
1:00 pm: Lehigh Valley Pride Event (ArtsQuest)
3:30 pm: Teachers' Closet

Thursday, August 20
7:00 pm: Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

Friday, August 21: Office Closed

Saturday, August 22

nextweek

Sunday, August 23
9:30 am: Worship Service: Joe Smits

Monday, August 24: Office Closed
8:00 am: Garden

Tuesday, August 25
6:00 pm: Irish Dance Academy (FH)

Wednesday, August 26
8:00 am: Rotary Foods Program
9:30 am: Women of Faith (BR)

Thursday, August 27
7:00 pm: Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

Friday, August 28: Office Closed

Saturday, August 29

Pastor Becki is on sabbatical until September 28.

Flyer deadline—August 17 @ 9 am
Daybreak—September 14
2026 Per Capita—$50.00

Ripple Wish List

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

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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Aug. 30.....Lehigh Valley Pride Event
Sept. 12.....Yard Sale
Sept. 13..... Worship @ Devonshire Park
Sept. 14..... Regular Office Hours Resume
Sept. 19.....Farewell to Summer
Sept. 27.....Peace & Global Witness Offering
Oct. 4..... World Communion Sunday @ The Barn
Oct. 12..... Indigenous Peoples' Day (office closed)
Oct. 18..... Crop Walk for Hunger
Nov. 15..... Winter Flyer Deadline
Nov. 21..... One Night Without a Home
Nov. 26..... Thanksgiving
Dec. 5..... Craft Fair
Dec. 13..... Work Camp Cookie Sale
Dec. 25..... Christmas