Welcome to worship! As we approach Christ the King Sunday, we reflect on what it means to prepare our hearts for God's kingdom through faith, love, and service.

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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Order of Worship

November 8, 2026

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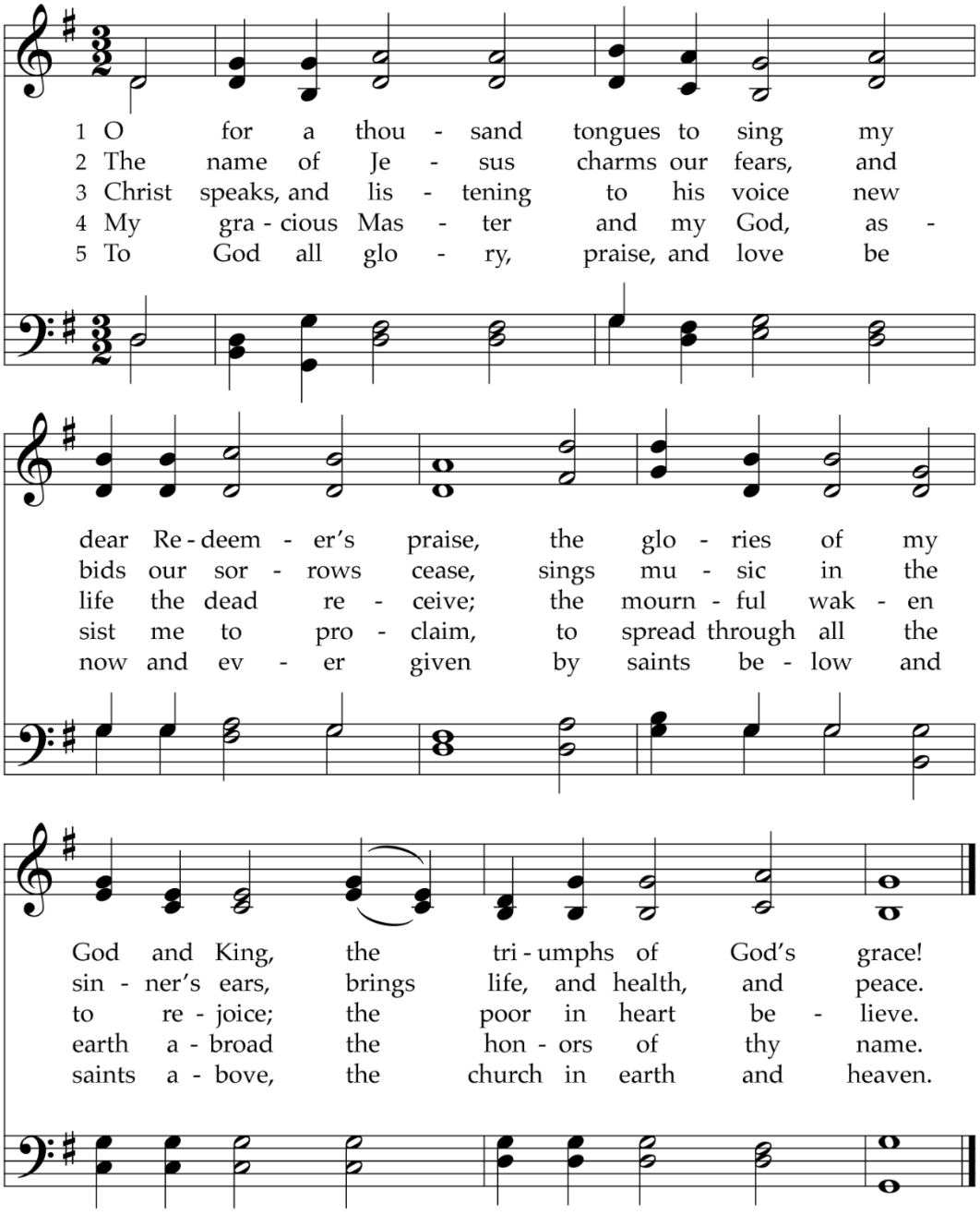
You can support the mission and ministry of our church by donating online at https://bit.ly/39QO3dQ. You can scan this QR code, which will take you directly to the donate page on our website. We deeply appreciate your generosity and are so thankful for each of you!

THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP
32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10:00 AM ***NOVEMBER 8, 2026***

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O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing 610



SPANISH

1 Mil voces para celebrar
a mi Libertador,
las glorias de su majestad,
los triunfos de su amor.

KOREAN

1 만 입이 내게 있으면
그 입 다 가지고
내 구주 주신 은총을
늘 찬송하겠네

This text comes from an eighteen-stanza hymn the author wrote to mark the first anniversary of his life-changing conversion experience. It is now customarily the first hymn in Methodist hymnals worldwide. This tune, adapted from a German composer, is the usual North American setting.

TEXT: Charles Wesley, 1739, alt.; Spanish trans. Federico J. Pagura; Korean trans. The United Methodist Korean Hymnal Committee, 2001
MUSIC: Carl Gotthelf Gläser, 1828; arr. Lowell Mason, 1839

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LITANY OF AFFIRMATION

One: Family of faith, sometimes we rush out the door without making sure we have everything we need. We forget to clothe ourselves with compassion or meet one another with grace. We forget to pack our welcome or fill our lamps with the oil of respect. We are often unprepared for how God shows up in the world. Our time of confession helps us pause and consider how we can pay more attention so that when Jesus shows up in the person next to us, we are ready. Let us pray.

All: Almighty God, we aren't ready. We may say that we are, but we aren't. We still have things on our to-do lists. We still have anxieties that want us to push quickly to and beyond the next thing. We speed up to make sure we get through the yellow light before it turns red (and, if we're honest, we rush through the first few seconds of the red light anyway). And we aren't ready for you: for the way you welcome. We aren't ready for the way you stand for justice and offer mercy. We aren't ready to be living reflections of your love. So God, we ask you to come into our hearts again today and help us get ready. Help us lace up our shoes well and help us pause with eyes that notice our neighbors – the ones you tell us to love as we love ourselves. Help us be ready to meet you in ways that still help us live faithfully now. In your name, we come to you seeking forgiveness.

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 — PSALM 78:1-7

1 Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
2 I will open my mouth in a parable;
I will utter dark sayings from of old,
3 things that we have heard and known,
that our ancestors have told us.
4 We will not hide them from their children;
we will tell to the coming generation
the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might,
and the wonders that he has done.
5 He established a decree in Jacob,
and appointed a law in Israel,
which he commanded our ancestors
to teach to their children;
6 that the next generation might know them,
the children yet unborn,
and rise up and tell them to their children,
7 so that they should set their hope in God,
and not forget the works of God,
but keep his commandments;
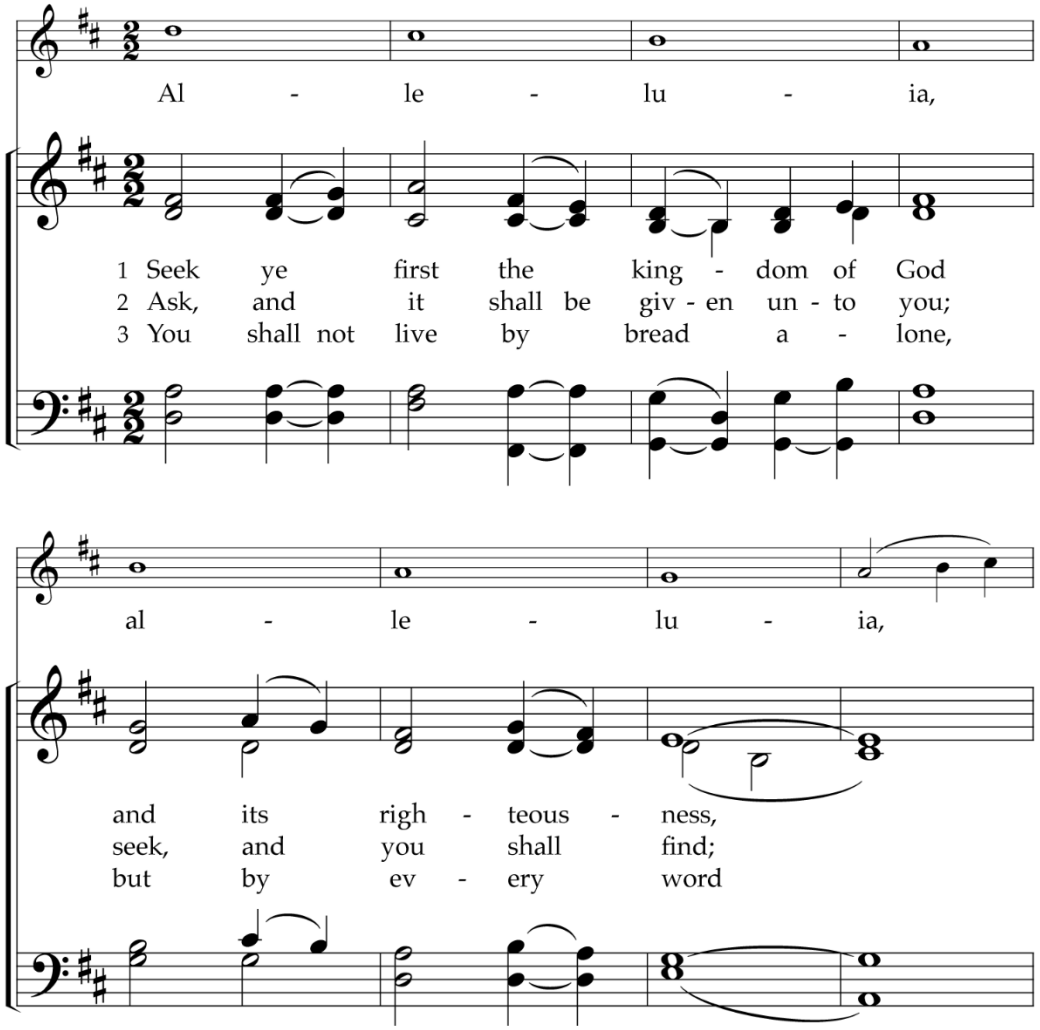
SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON — MATTHEW 25:1-13
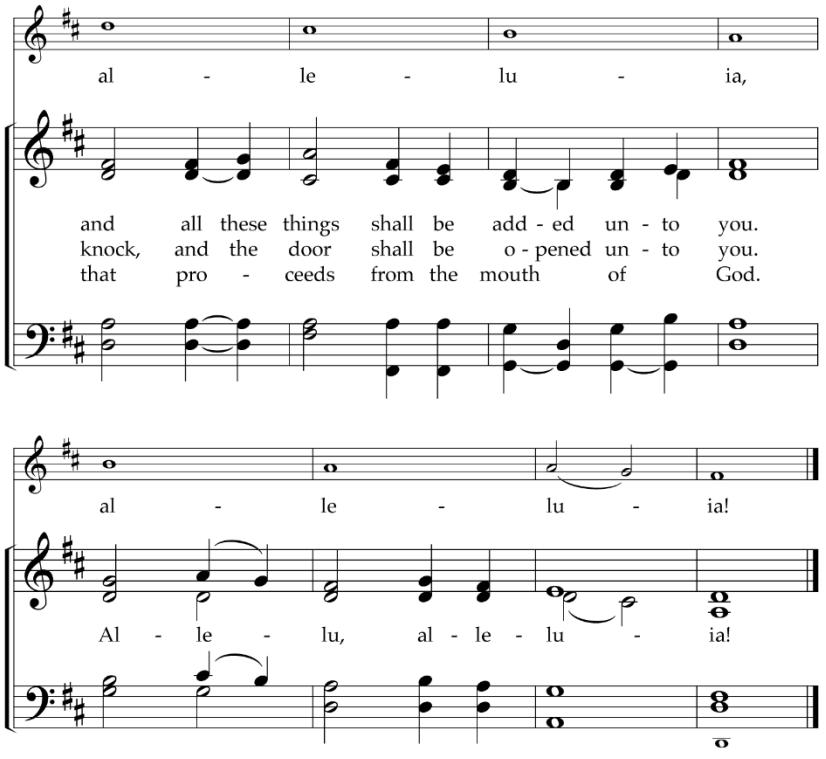
25 "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten young women[a] took their lamps
and went to meet the bridegroom.[b] **2** Five of them were foolish, and five were wise.
3 When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, **4** but the wise took
flasks of oil with their lamps. **5** As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became
drowsy and slept. **6** But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom!
Come out to meet him.' **7** Then all those young women[c] got up and trimmed their
lamps. **8** The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going
out.' **9** But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had
better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' **10** And while they went to buy it,
the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding
banquet, and the door was shut. **11** Later the other young women came also, saying,
'Lord, lord, open to us.' **12** But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' **13** Keep
awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

MESSAGE — *"Being Prepared"*

175 Seek Ye First

Descant





SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS
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 — *"Make Broad the Path"*
Faithful Harmonizers

✳SONG OF RESPONSE #606 — *"Doxology"*

✳PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in Unison)

Gracious and generous God, we are thankful for all the ways you have given us to do ministry together. We pray that your Spirit would always pour out through these gifts to remind us that this isn't about us; it's about *you*. And it's always about and for *you*. Inspire us and empower us to keep growing together. Amen.

✳HYMN #313 — *"Lord, Make Us More Holy"*
(Sheet music on next page.)
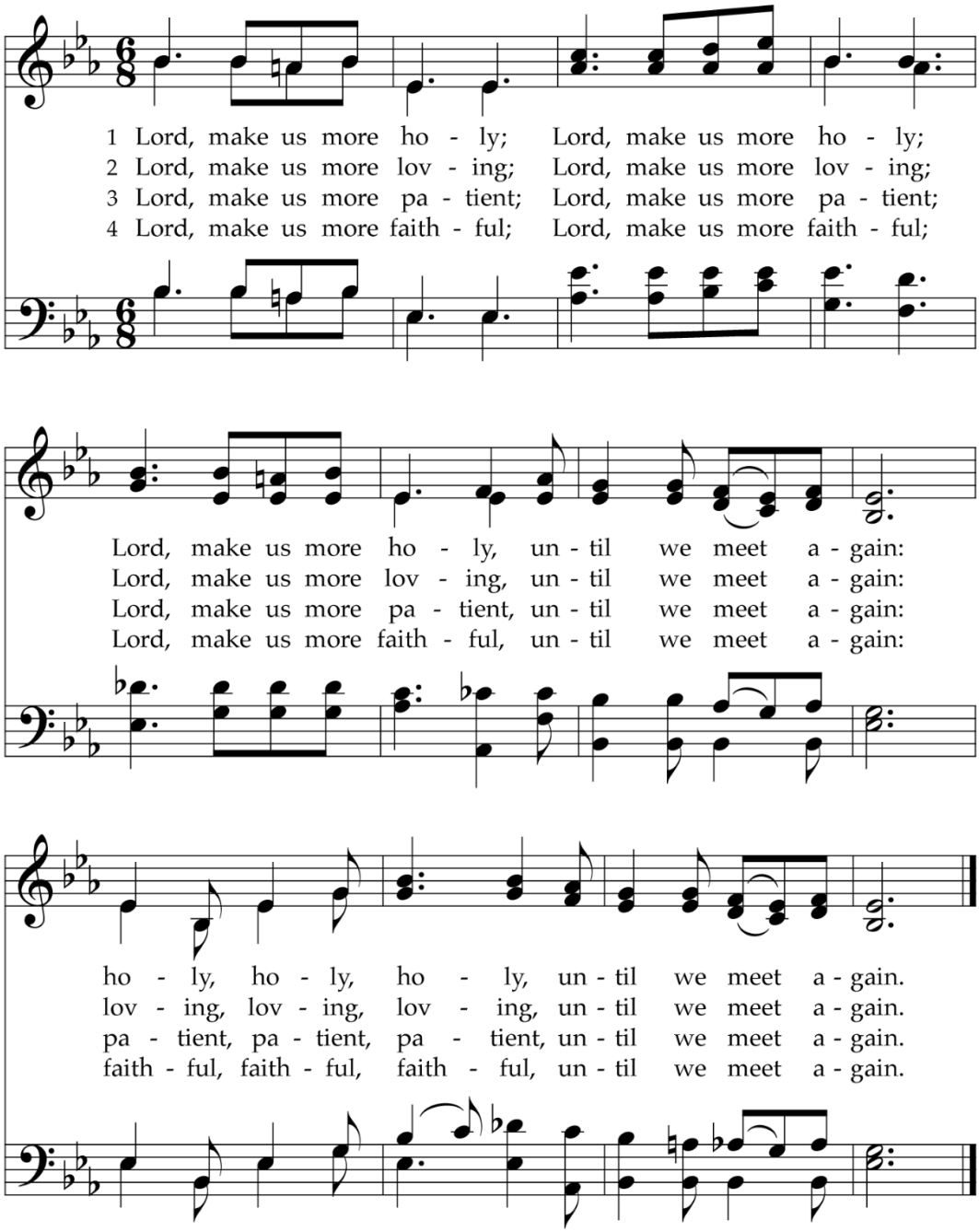
✳CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE — *"May God Be Gracious"*
Faithful Harmonizers

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

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313 Lord, Make Us More Holy



Like many African American spirituals, this one creates a framework for almost endless expansion beyond the four stanzas given here. This sung prayer is notable as an affirmation of God's active care for the once-gathered community while dispersed and of hope to be reunited.

TEXT and MUSIC: African American spiritual

LORD, MAKE US MORE HOLY
6.6.6.6.6.6

Faith Life

November 8, 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!





Ripple Wish List

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



It's Time to Order Poinsettias!

It may only be early November, but it's already time to order the poinsettias that will beautify our sanctuary during the Christmas season!

Please consider honoring or remembering someone special with a poinsettia this year. Prices have increased slightly since last year, but your contribution will help fill our sanctuary with the beauty of the season.

The deadline for orders is Sunday, November 22, and it is FIRM! If you plan to mail your order, please do so right away to ensure it arrives on time. Late orders cannot be accepted.

Order forms are available in the pews and will also be included in the weekly email blast and posted on our Facebook group page.



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Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday from 9:00 am to Noon
Closed Fridays

IMPORTANT!

End of Year Giving

Dear Faith Family,

As we approach the end of the year, we want to thank you for your faithful generosity and continued support of Faith Presbyterian Church.

We are writing to inform you of an important change to our year-end giving procedures.

All contributions, both in person and online, intended to be processed as 2026 giving must be received in the church office or online no later than 9:00 am Monday, December 28, 2026. There will be no exceptions.

If your contributions are sent directly to the church through a financial institution, investment firm, or retirement account, please notify them of our new deadline. Be sure to arrange for your year-end contribution to be sent early enough to arrive at the church office prior to Christmas. Because processing and mailing times can vary, we encourage you to contact your financial institution well in advance to avoid delays.

In previous years, we were able to process contributions received during the first week of January as part of the previous year's giving records. Beginning this year and continuing in future years, this practice will no longer be possible.

Our financial procedures now require that all contributions be received and entered into the church's financial software during the calendar year. The deadline each year will change to accommodate our counting schedule.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in helping us make this transition. Most importantly, we are grateful for your generosity and the many ways you support the life and ministries of Faith Presbyterian Church.
With gratitude,

Janie Slamon, Elder
Terry Eck, Elder
Ministry of Support Co-Chairs
Faith Presbyterian Church





November 15: “Don’t Bury Your Talent”
(Matthew 25:14-30)

November 22: “Always Assume It’s Jesus”
(Matthew 25:31-46)

Advent: Reflecting with the Christmons

November 27: “Lord of All, Coming Soon”
(Mark 13:24-37)



Schedule

Sunday Morning Together is a welcoming, intergenerational time of fellowship, outreach, and fun following worship. All are invited to stay, connect, and grow together in faith!

- **11/8: Cleanup Day with a light lunch**
- 11/15: Deacon card making—decorate greeting cards for the upcoming holiday seasons, sympathy cards, and get-well cards, Fellowship
- 11/22: ADVENT[ure] with a light lunch, prepare the church for Advent
- 11/29: Luminaries—prepare luminaries for distribution at the Holiday Craft Fair, Fellowship



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. The teachers in our area are deeply grateful for this support.

Hosts are needed for April 3 and April 21. There is a sign-up sheet for volunteers in the narthex.

Next Dates:

- **Wednesday, Nov. 18: 3:30–5:00 p.m.**
- **Saturday, Dec. 5: 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.**

Please continue to support the closet through our Amazon Wish List. Scan the QR code or go to https://bit.ly/46Pjb7l.

Highest needs: Tissues, hand sanitizer, Crayola crayons, colored pencils, Crayola markers, watercolor paint sets, Scotch tape, masking tape, earbuds, Band-Aids, and AAA batteries.

Also needed: Small pencil sharpeners, glue sticks, pencils, rubber bands, stickers, highlighters, magnets, Croc charms, composition books, Play-Doh, and whiteboard markers.



Conversations

Conversations is on hiatus until the new year. If you have any questions about Conversations, speak to Anne Laubach or Donna Call.



Stewardship Update

Thank you for all the pledges we have received so far. While pledges will be accepted through the end of the year, the sooner we receive them, the better! Early commitments help us plan responsibly for the coming year and support the ministries and mission of our church.

Pledge cards are available in the pews.

If you are using the QR code in your letter to pledge online, please scroll down and complete the fields under the heading "Financial Stewardship Commitment for 2027."





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
K Kitchen
MR Music Room
P Parlor
PL Parking Lot
S Sanctuary
Z Zoom

this week

Sunday, November 8
10:00 am: Worship Service
11:00 am: Clean-Up Day

Monday, November 9
7:00 pm: Emmaus Chorale (FH)

Tuesday, November 10
5:00 pm: Irish Dance Academy (FH)
7:00 pm: Session (BR)

Wednesday, November 11
8:00 am: Rotary Foods Program
9:30 am: Women of Faith (BR)
Noon: Word on Wednesday (P)
5:30 pm: Faithful Ringers (MR)
7:00 pm: Faithful Harmonizers (S)
7:00 pm: East Penn Neighbors Helping Neighbors (P)

Thursday, November 12
10:30 am: Sound Sprouts (2)
5:30 pm: Communications Task Force (P)
7:00 pm: Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

Friday, November 13: Office Closed

Saturday, November 14
9:00 am: Zumba (FH)

next week

Sunday, November 15
10:00 am: Worship Service
2:30 pm: Ripple Meal (carpool leaves at 2:00)
5:00 pm: Youth Group (5)

Monday, November 16
9:00 am: **Flyer Deadline**
7:00 pm: Ministry to the Community (P)
7:00 pm: Emmaus Chorale (S)

Tuesday, November 17
5:00 pm: Irish Dance Academy (FH)
6:00 pm: Deacons' Meeting (BR)

Wednesday, November 18
8:00 am: Rotary Foods Program
9:30 am: Women of Faith (BR)
Noon: Word on Wednesday (P)
3:30 pm: Teachers' Closet
5:30 pm: Faithful Ringers (MR)
7:00 pm: Faithful Harmonizers (S)

Thursday, November 19
10:30 am: Sound Sprouts (2)
7:00 pm: Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

Friday, November 20: Office Closed

Saturday, November 21
9:00 am: Zumba (FH)
10:00 am: Quilters (FH)

- **Flyer deadline**—November 16 @ 9 am
- **Daybreak**—December 14
  (not serving in November)
- **Ripple**—November 15
- **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:_____

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Nov. 22..... ADVENT[ure]
Nov. 26..... Thanksgiving
Dec. 5..... Craft Fair
Dec. 13..... Congregational Meeting
Work Camp Cookie Sale
Dec. 24..... Christmas Eve
Dec. 25..... Christmas
Jan. 31, 2027..... Annual Congregational Meeting
Feb. 7..... Talent Show
Feb. 14..... Lenten Bible Study begins
Mar. 28..... Easter Breakfast