**Welcome to worship! This morning, we wonder what it means to see Jesus in the "least of these" – and how it's safer to just trust that Jesus is in everyone!**

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

Worship Assistant: Jeff Krause
Ushers: Ellie & Jim DePhillips
Deacon Greeter: Beth Folio

Audio: Tracey Gill
Video: Mark Ingram
Fellowship: ADVENT[ure] light lunch

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***Order of Worship***
***November 22, 2026***

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## *THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP*
## *CHRIST THE KING*

***10:00 AM    NOVEMBER 22, 2026***
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THE FIRST NOTE OF THE PRELUDE begins our worship.
Please use the prelude time to turn your attention to God's presence and help.

✳*Those who are able are invited to stand.*

### *FOCUSING UPON GOD'S PRESENCE AND VOICE*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE    *"Come, Thou Almighty King"*

✳CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Behold, the Lord is king!

**All: If Jesus is a king, where is his crown? We want to see our King.**

One: Do you see the one who hungers? Do you see the one who is alone? Do you see the one holding out their empty cup for a drink of clear water?

**All: We see them.**

One: Do you see the child who is starving? Do you see the veteran who is homeless? Do you see the indigenous person who is told their identity isn't good enough?

**All: We see them.**

One: Do you see the father trying to bring his son across the border to a better life? Do you see the mother who is crying because war has killed her child? Do you see the victims of abuse and the elderly forgotten in nursing home hallways?

**All: Even when it makes us uncomfortable, we cannot help but see them.**

One: Do you see them?

**All: We see them.**

One: Then you have seen our King.

✳OPENING PRAYER

✳HYMN



# O Lord, You Are My God and King 270

(Psalm 145)




*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

Although this paraphrase of Psalm 145 is abbreviated (the original psalm has a verse for each letter of the Hebrew alphabet), it maintains the tone of praise that characterizes the final six psalms. In fact, the whole book takes its Hebrew name, *Tehillim* (praises), from them.

TEXT: *The New Metrical Version of the Psalms*, 1909, alt.
MUSIC: C. Hubert H. Parry, 1916; harm. Charles H. Webb, 1987
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LITANY OF AFFIRMATION

One: Our prayer of confession is a time to admit that we don't always live like Jesus is our one and only king. We don't always live like the person next to us is Jesus. So we confess the sin of our negligence not so we feel riddled with guilt, but so that we feel empowered to live more faithfully. Let us pray.

**All: God of love, you and you alone are King. We often turn to others who act like kings. We put our trust in them and feed on the empty promises. And this is our mistake, God. We don't look for you in the places that are messy, broken, or difficult. We don't expect our king to look like the least of these. We own this about ourselves because we are human. And we thank you that being human is what makes you love us even harder. We confess that we often turn away from what makes us uncomfortable. So turn us around, God. Give us a renewed vision of where you are so that we learn to recognize you in every other living being.**

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 100:1-5

1 Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.
2 Worship the LORD with gladness;
come into his presence with singing.
3 Know that the LORD is God.
It is he that made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
4 Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise.
Give thanks to him, bless his name.
5 For the LORD is good;
his steadfast love endures for ever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON — EZEKIEL 34:11-16, 20-24

11For thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them
out. 12As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep,
so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have
been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. 13I will bring them out from the
peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land;
and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the
inhabited parts of the land. 14I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain
heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land,
and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. 15I myself will be the
shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GOD.16I will seek
the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will
strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with
justice.

[20]Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep
and the lean sheep. [21]Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all
the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, [22]I will save
my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and
sheep.
[23]I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he
shall feed them and be their shepherd. [24]And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my
servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

THIRD SCRIPTURE LESSON MATTHEW 25:31-46

[31]"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit
on the throne of his glory. [32]All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will
separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats,
[33]and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. [34]Then the king
will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit
the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; [35]for I was hungry
and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a
stranger and you welcomed me, [36]I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick
and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' [37]Then the righteous will
answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty
and gave you something to drink? [38]And when was it that we saw you a stranger and
welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? [39]And when was it that we saw you
sick or in prison and visited you?' [40]And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just
as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to
me.' [41]Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from
me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; [42]for I was hungry and
you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, [43]I was a
stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick
and in prison and you did not visit me.' [44]Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it
that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did
not take care of you?' [45]Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not
do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' [46]And these will go away into
eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

MESSAGE *"Always Assume It's Jesus"*

✳HYMN




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 *"Let the Praise Go 'Round"*
Faithful Harmonizers

✳SONG OF RESPONSE #606 *"Doxology"*

✳PRAYER OF DEDICATION *(in unison)*

**Generous God, you have called us to see you in everyone around us. You have invited us to notice you in our neighbors and reach out in tangible, meaningful ways. We ask that you bless the gifts we share. May they empower us to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, visit the lonely, and satisfy the thirsty. May they empower us to do the best we can, with what we have, where we are in this world we share. Amen.**

✳HYMN #87 *"Comfort, Comfort Now My People"*
*(Sheet music on next page.)*

✳CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *"May God Be Gracious"*

*Please join us in Fellowship Hall after the postlude.*

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# Comfort, Comfort Now My People 87




This 17th-century German paraphrase of Isaiah 40:1–5 was one of the texts translated as part of the 19th-century British interest in German religious poetry. It is set here to one of the most popular Genevan Psalter tunes, probably derived from an earlier French folksong.

TEXT: Johannes Olearius, 1671; trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1863, alt.
MUSIC: Genevan Psalter, 1551

GENEVAN 42
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## *Prayer Concerns*

Please keep these people in your prayers.

- **JoAnne & Bill Herring** – ongoing health issues.
- **Heather Nicholas—**ongoing health issues/kidney-related.
- **Becky Shreck**—prayers are needed for ongoing issues with her autoimmune illness.

## *Military Service*

Please keep these people in your prayers.

- **Capt. Robert Call & Capt. Dana Call, US Army, South Korea,** grandson and granddaughter-in-law of Donna Call.
- **Isabel Krause, Lt. Cmdr., US Navy,** granddaughter of Jeff & Anita Krause.
- **Sophia Krause, USNA Class of 2027,** granddaughter of Jeff & Anita Krause.
- **Victoria Krause, Lt., US Navy,** granddaughter of Jeff & Anita Krause.
- **Jack Melnick, USMC.**
- **Kamryn McWhinney, West Point USMA Class of 2030**, daughter of Michelle and Tom McWhinney.

## *Faith Church Prayer Chain*

Please send prayer requests to prayers@faithchurchemmaus.org

## *Contact Information—Pastoral Care Needs*

For medical emergencies or death, contact Pastor Rebecca or one of the Co-Moderators of Deacons, Doug Boyd or Eleanor DePhillips.

## *Did You Know?*

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# Faith Life

## November 22, 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!**

### *Know Thyself*

In the midst of cold and flu season (and whatever else might be going around), remember to pay attention to how you are feeling and who is around you. Stay home if you aren't feeling well. Listen to your body and get rest when you need it. Masks are not required, but are welcome for anyone who feels more comfortable with one, or anyone who might be feeling even a little under the weather. We can love our neighbors as we love ourselves when we take consideration for everyone's physical health.




**A journey through the Christmas story**

This morning following worship, we hope you will join us as we prepare for Advent—the season of anticipation leading to Christmas. Help decorate the sanctuary, pick up an Advent devotional, and gather materials to make an Advent wreath for your home.

A light lunch will be provided. All ages are welcome to share in this time of preparation and fellowship!




### *Poinsettias! Last Call!*

It's 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.

**Today is the firm deadline!** Order forms are in the pews.



### *2026 Holiday Craft Fair*

**It's right around the corner!**
The Holiday Craft Fair will be held on **Saturday, December 5**, from 9:00 am to 2:00 p.m. There are many ways to help with this important community event!

**Vendor Support**
Sally Heimbach is co-coordinating the vendor portion of the fair. Outside vendors will set up on Friday, December 4, from 6:00–8:00 p.m. Sally could use assistance that evening, as well as one or two volunteers to help with vendor raffle prizes around 1:00 p.m. on Saturday. Please contact Sally if you are available.

**Setup, Cleanup, and Event Support**
Tim Bagnull is coordinating setup on Sunday, November 29, following worship, volunteer support during the fair, and cleanup at 2:00 p.m. on December 5. Please contact Tim if you can help.

**Kitchen Help**
Diane Policelli is coordinating the kitchen. Please contact Diane if you can lend a hand.

**Crafts, Bake Sale, and Basket Raffle**
The Women of Faith will offer crafts, a bake sale, and the extremely popular Basket Raffle! Contact Zona Farmer or Sue Lawall if you have crafts to donate or if you plan to bake.

Please consider how you can help make this year's Holiday Craft Fair a success!

**Don't forget to spread the word!**

### *Changes to the Weekly Email Blast*

Following our recent Communications meeting, it was decided that the weekly Faith Highlights email is repetitive and has too much to view. So a change is being made. Our weekly Faith Highlights email will feature upcoming events and deadlines. Click the Weekly Bulletin link in the email to see the full announcements and the church calendar.


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***Church Office Hours***
Monday-Thursday from 9:00 am to Noon
Closed Fridays




**Advent: Reflecting with the Christmons**

**November 29:** "Lord of All, Coming Soon"
(Mark 13:24-37)

**December 6:** "IYKYK (If You Know You Know)"
(Mark 1:1-8)

**December 13:** Christmas Cantata

**December 20:** "Gabriel's Spoilers"
(Luke 1:26-38)

**December 24:** "Christmas Storytellers"
(Luke 2:1-20)

**December 27:** Carol Sing




## ***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!

- **11/22: ADVENT[ure] with a light lunch, prepare the church for Advent**
- 11/29: Luminaries—prepare luminaries for distribution at the Holiday Craft Fair, Fellowship
- 12/6: Potluck luncheon (Diane Policelli hosts)
- 12/13: Congregational meeting – report of the Nominating Committee and Pastor Terms of Call, Work Camp Cookie Sale, Fellowship
- 12/20: Christmas song fest – join us for a spirited sing-along, Fellowship
- 12/27: Fellowship




## ***Advent Mission Project***

### Takeout Bags for Daybreak Clients



This Advent, the Ministry to the Community committee invites you to help fill takeout bags for Daybreak clients. We offered these bags earlier this year, and they were very well received.

Daybreak, a program of the Lehigh Conference of Churches in Allentown, provides meals, support, and companionship for adults facing challenges such as homelessness, poverty, mental illness, and addiction.

While clients receive warm meals at the center, some may have limited access to food and shelter at other times. These bags will provide food and warmth beyond their time at Daybreak.

Our goal is to pack and deliver 100 bags in January.

**We have already received a donation of 100 lip balms!**

We still need 100 of each of the following items:

- Hand warmers
- Individual servings of applesauce
- Individual servings of pudding
- Granola bars
- Individually packaged peanut butter crackers

Donations may be placed on the collection table in the Sanctuary from November 29 through January 10.

Thank you for helping us share Christ's love with our Daybreak neighbors this winter!



## ***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.

As of November 7, we held five shopping days during the 2026–27 school year, welcoming an average of 12 teachers each day and educators from 10 school districts. Teachers frequently express their gratitude for this support.

The Ministry to the Community team also thanks the congregation for its continued generosity through donations of supplies and financial gifts. Your support helps keep the closet stocked and ready to welcome teachers.

With 11 shopping days remaining this school year, donations are still needed. Please visit our Amazon wish list by scanning this code.

Next Dates:

- **Saturday, Dec. 5:** 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.
- **Wednesday, Jan. 20:** 3:30 to 5:00 p.m.

Supply donations may be dropped off at the church office or in the Teachers' Closet room. Financial gifts may be mailed to the church office.

**A volunteer is needed to host the shopping day on April 21, 2027**. Hosts help by greeting the teachers, signing them in, and offering assistance. Please contact Sally Heimbach if you can help or would like to learn more.




## ***Stewardship Update***

Over several weeks in October and November, our church leadership groups shared how Faith Presbyterian Church is carrying out its mission through worship, ministry, fellowship, outreach, and service. These presentations highlighted the many ways God is working through our congregation.

If you have not yet made a pledge for 2027, please prayerfully consider doing so. Every commitment, regardless of size, supports the ministries that strengthen our church family and help us serve our community with faith, compassion, and love.

Although we will continue to receive pledges through the end of the year, receiving yours soon will help church leaders prepare a realistic budget and plan our ministries for 2027. Thank you to everyone who has already pledged and to all who support the life and work of our church.

Pledge cards are available in the pews, or you may submit your pledge online.

## ***Winter is coming whether we want it or not.***

We have a company that plows and salts our parking lot, main entrance and the Cherokee Street pavement. They do not remove the snow from the following walkways:



- into the Fellowship Hall
- from the parking lot (back door)
- the 2nd St. (garbage corral)
- the Slype (emergency exit)

We will need to do these. There are shovels and salt available to use located at the exterior doors.

Please contact Jeff Krause or Sally Heimbach for additional information.

## ***Kitchen Request***

We are throwing out quite a bit of leftover food from the refrigerator and freezer.

If you are a Fellowship Time host and have leftover food, please take note of these requests:

- Take leftovers home or offer them to someone who can use them.
- If food must remain at church, please wrap it securely before refrigerating or freezing it. Label and date each container.

## ***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 22: Christ the King**
10:00 am: Worship Service
11:00 am: ADVENT[ure]
5:00 pm: Youth Group (5)

**Monday, November 23**
7:00 pm: Emmaus Chorale (S)

**Tuesday, November 24**
5:00 pm: Irish Dance Academy (FH)

**Wednesday, November 25**
8:00 am: Rotary Foods Program (FH)
9:30 am: Women of Faith (BR)
7:00 pm: Faithful Harmonizers (S)

**Thursday, November 26: Thanksgiving Office Closed**
7:00 pm: Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

**Friday, November 27: Office Closed**

**Saturday, November 28**
9:00 am: Zumba (FH)

# next week

**Sunday, November 29: Holiday Craft Fair Set-up**
10:00 am: Worship Service
5:00 pm: Youth Group Work Camp Meeting (5)

**Monday, November 30: Holiday Craft Fair Set-up**
7:00 pm: Emmaus Chorale (S)
7:15 pm: Ministry to the Congregation (P)

**Tuesday, December 1: Holiday Craft Fair Set-up**
7:00 pm: Ministry of Support Meeting (BR)

**Wednesday, December 2: Holiday Craft Fair Set-up**
8:00 am: Rotary Foods Program (FH)
9:30 am: Women of Faith (BR)
Noon: Word on Wednesday (P)
5:30 pm: Faithful Ringers (MR)
7:00 pm: Faithful Harmonizers (S)

**Thursday, December 3: Holiday Craft Fair Set-up**

**Friday, December 4: Office Closed**
7:00 pm: Emmaus Chorale Dress Rehearsal (S)

**Saturday, December 5: Holiday Craft Fair**
10:00 am: Teachers' Closet

- **Flyer deadline**—February 15, 2027 @ 9 am
- **Daybreak**—December 14
- **Ripple**—March 14, 2027
- **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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Dec. 13..... Cantata, Congregational Meeting
Work Camp Cookie Sale
Dec. 20..... Christmas Joy Offering
Dec. 24..... Christmas Eve
Dec. 25..... Christmas
Dec. 28..... Last day for year-end giving
Dec. 31..... Annual Reports due

Jan. 10, 2027..... Congregational Meeting
Jan. 31..... Annual Congregational Meeting
Feb. 7..... Talent Show
Feb. 14..... Souper Bowl Offering
Lenten Bible Study begins
Feb. 15..... Newsletter Deadline
Mar. 28..... Easter Breakfast
Apr. 11..... Spring Clean-Up Day