



Order of Worship
September 27, 2009

Faith Presbyterian Church of Emmaus

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**THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

10:30 AM

SEPTEMBER 27, 2009



PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Dear Lord, as your Word instructs us to go, teach, and baptize, we pray that we will always be available to “fill in” when called upon and to befriend all persons in your name. We praise you for your transforming power that can change the inner spirit that was previously led by outside circumstances. We pray for release from addiction and addictive behavior. In Christ’s name. Amen.

(To continue preparation for worship, read the rest of page 273 in the Mission Yearbook in the pew.)

THE FIRST NOTE OF THE PRELUDE begins our worship. Please use the prelude time to listen for God’s invitation to praise Him.

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE *“Prelude & Fugue in F Major”* J. S. BACH

WELCOME

*SONG FOR ASSEMBLY *“For Surely I Know the Plans”* G. S. OATEN
Come gather my friends and see, The Fruits of the Spirit lived out:
As we see Jesus in One and all, We rise to administer grace.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Call: Rich and poor have this in common:

Response: The Lord is the Maker of them all.

Call: Men and women, boys and girls have this in common:

Response: The Lord is the Maker of them all.

Call: Young and old, weak and strong have this in common:

Response: The Lord is the Maker of them all.

Call: Faithful and faithless, hopeful and hopeless have this in common:

Response: The Lord is the Maker of them all.

Call: Moral and immoral, right and wrong have this in common:

Response: The Lord is the Maker of them all.

**Together: No matter our lot, Lord God,
no matter our circumstance and our place in life,
no matter our situation,
we recognize you, and you alone, as our Maker.
May we find you at work in us today, just as we seek to find ourselves in you.**



*HYMN #488

"The God of Abraham Praise"

LEONI

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

CALL TO CONFESSION AND SILENT CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, you come to us, but we do not recognize you; you call, but we do not follow; you command, but we do not obey, you bless us, but we do not thank you.

Please forgive and help us.

Lord, you accept us, but we do not accept others; you forgive us, but we do not forgive those who wrong us; you love us, but we do not love our neighbors.

Please forgive and help us.

Lord, you showed us how to carry out your mission, but we still insist on our own way; you identified yourself with outcasts, the needy, and the poor, but we do not bother to find out what is happening to them; you suffered, and died, and gave yourself for the sake of all, but we do not readily give to you or to others.

Please forgive and help us, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

HYMN #572

KYRIE

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*HYMN #592

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him, above ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.



*PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP: Mission Fair

STEWARDSHIP

JOYS AND CONCERNS

INTERCESSIONS AND PETITIONS

LORD'S PRAYER (*Please use "debts & debtors".*)

PRESBYTERIAN HYMNAL – PG. 16

THE WORD OF GOD

A WORD WITH THE CHILDREN

MATTHEW 5:17-19—17 'Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

FIRST LESSON

OT – Pg. 10 in the gray Bible, Pg. 9 in the blue Bible

GENESIS 12:1-4 AND 21:1-7

PSALM 20

Leader: In times of trouble and distress, God is always present with us.

People: When we call out, God hears us.

Leader: The name of the Lord brings comfort to heavy hearts.

People: In God's name alone do we put our trust.

Leader: The Lord will help those who seek God.

People: God will answer the prayers of the people.

Leader: Some take pride in their might and accomplishments.

People: We will boast in God alone.

Leader: We rise and stand on the righteousness of God.

People: Let us worship God who is faithful, merciful and just!

—BASED ON PSALM 20

*HYMN 289

"O God of Every Nation"

LLANGLOFFAN

SECOND LESSON

NT – Pg. 221 in the gray Bible, Pg. 217 in the blue Bible

MATTHEW 1:1-17, 22-23

SERMON

"God's Faithfulness Sustains the Generations"

REV. ROBERTA J. KEARNEY

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERTORY

Senior Choir Anthem

"Blest Are They"

DAVID HAAS

*DEDICATION HYMN

Freely, freely, you have received.

Freely, freely give.

Go in my name and because you believe

Others will know that I live.

"Freely, Freely"

CAROL OWENS

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

A PORTION OF "OUR SONG OF HOPE"
REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA, 1978

We sing to the Lord a new song; we sing into our world a sure hope:
Our God loves this world, God called it into being, God renews it through Jesus Christ,
God governs it by the Spirit. God is the world's true hope.

Our only hope is Jesus Christ.

After we refused to live in the image of God,

**he was born of the virgin Mary, sharing our genes and our instincts, entering
our culture, speaking our language, fulfilling the law of our God.**

Being united in Christ's humanity, we know ourselves when we rest in him.

Jesus Christ is the hope of God's world.

**In his death, the justice of God is established;
forgiveness of sin is proclaimed.**

**On the day of his resurrection, the tomb was empty; his disciples saw him;
death was defeated; new life has come.**

God's purpose for the world was sealed.

Our ascended Lord gives hope for two ages.

**In the time to come, Christ is the judge, rejecting unrighteousness, isolating
God's enemies to hell, blessing the new creation in Christ.**

**In this age, the Holy Spirit is with us, calling nations to follow God's path,
uniting people through Christ in love.**

Come Lord Jesus: we are open to your Spirit. We await your full presence. Our world
finds rest in you alone.

*CLOSING HYMN #285 *"God, You Spin the Whirling Planets"* AUSTRIAN HYMN

*CHARGE

*CHORAL BENEDICTION *"May the Grace of Christ our Savior"* JOHN STAINER

*POSTLUDE *"Fanfare on 'Austrian Hymn'"* GORDON YOUNG



*Those who are able are invited to stand.

❖❖❖❖❖Latecomers may be seated.



IF YOU ARE A VISITOR, we welcome you to Faith Presbyterian Church. We invite you to join us for fellowship following worship. Also, we would be pleased if you filled in a visitor card and placed it in the offering plate. If you would like to know more about Faith Church, you may speak to an usher or check the appropriate box on the visitor card.

Announcements

Worship Assistant Informational Gathering

This morning—following worship

If you will serve as a worship assistant in October, November or December, or are interested in leading worship, come find out how the opportunities for worship assistant are growing.

Please join us in the sanctuary this morning, following worship.



New Nursery Caregiver

We have a new child care provider for the nursery. Let me introduce Danielle Freeman. She is a junior at Cedar Crest College majoring in biochemistry with a concentration in forensics. She has three brothers, the youngest of which is 7 years old. She is one of the oldest of 13 cousins who all live in the same town in New York, so she has a lot of experience with babysitting. She will be in the nursery from 8:45 to 11:45 am on Sunday mornings.

Coming Soon!

Watch for a new Parish
Life adventure for
all Faith women!



Peacemaking

The Peacemaking Offering was created in 1980 to support the efforts of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) to live out a deeper commitment to peacemaking as part of our faithfulness to God. Most churches receive the Offering on World Communion Sunday, the first Sunday in October, which this year is October 4. As is our tradition, Faith Church will receive and dedicate its offering on World Communion Sunday.

Each congregation is encouraged to retain 25% of the Offering it receives to use for local ministries of peacemaking within the church and its community. 25% is used by presbyteries and synods, and 50% is used by the General Assembly ministries through the Presbyterian Peacemaking Program. **Faith Church will donate it's 25% to CROP Walk this year.**



CROP Walk

The annual CROP walk takes place this year on October 11th. At this time Faith Presbyterian Church does not have a coordinator for the event, so if you would like to participate you may do so by contacting St. Timothy's Lutheran Church at Ott & Walnut Streets, Allentown...(610) 435-6512.

Church World Service
CROP WALK
"We walk because they walk."

Daybreak needs your help!

We prepare a meal at Daybreak once a month, and provide cookies, too. But there is another way you can help. ..Travel-sized toiletries are needed, shampoo, conditioner, etc. like the ones you get at a hotel. Note cards are also needed. Those who would like to donate can do so by placing items in the box in Fellowship Hall.

For more information, please talk to Laurie Payea (610-366-9099).



My Time with God

Preparing to Feast with God

My Time with God is a great resource for couples, families, Bible studies or small groups hungry to spend time with God and one another.

There are at least three different times during the week when you can meet with a group to discuss what you are discovering.

- Wednesdays at noon
- Sunday mornings at 9 am
- Thursday mornings 9:30 am with the Devotional Fellowship Group

Contact Sue Vitale or Roberta Kearney with any questions you may have.

Copies of *My Time with God* are available in the church office at \$10 per copy. When picking up a copy please leave a note in the box (for Sue Vitale) with your name on it.

Devotional Fellowship Group

Thursdays...9:30—11 am

Study Material: "*My Time with God*"

Locations of the meetings:

- Oct. 1 Sue Vitale
- Oct. 8 Deanna Robinson
- Oct. 15 Lynn Ingram
- Oct. 22 Sue Vitale
- Oct. 29 Susan Moring
- Nov. 5 Patty Colson
- Nov. 12 Susan Moring

We welcome any who would like to join us for one or more of the sessions. Directions available in the church office or contact Deanna Robinson (610-395-0669) at DSWRobinson@ptd.net

My Time With God

Week #2

For this week we are reading

Matthew 6:16 —10:40





Fairly Traded Coffee

The Mission Committee is offering the congregation the opportunity to purchase Equal Exchange Fairly Traded Coffee. Both "regular" and "de-caf" drip coffee is available for \$7.00 per bag. Now, for your further coffee enjoyment, we also offer "whole bean" and "hazelnut crème" flavored, at the same price

of \$7.00 per bag.

Fairly traded coffee is served at our fellowship hour following worship if you'd like to get a taste before buying. Please look for the display on the table in Fellowship Hall. If paying by check, please write "Fair Trade Coffee" on the memo line.



Are you interested in joining Faith Presbyterian Church?

Please contact Ann Lowell by phone: 610-398-8267; or by email: lowellga@ptd.net with any questions regarding the process of becoming a member of our church.

The next Membership conversation series will take place in October.



Faith Presbyterian Church of Emmaus

Concert Series 2009-2010

A Gift to the Community



Organ Plus

*Organ plus instruments,
Guest Organist*

October 18, 2009 ✦ Sunday, 3:00 PM
Reception

Sounds, Sights, and Snacks

January 31, 2010 ✦ Sunday, 3:00 PM

Heidelberg

Concert Handbell Choir

Jackie Laudenslager, Director
April 25, 2010 ✦ Sunday, 3:00 PM

Concert featuring Young Musicians

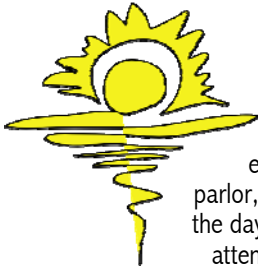
To be announced at a later date.



Free will offering.

Information: please contact Eleanor Focht

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First Thursdays Sunrise Devotional

Join us the first Thursday of each month, at 6:30 am in the parlor, for a brief devotional to start the day. There is no commitment to attend every month. Drop in if you need prayer, support or just want to try it out. The group meets at 6:30 am sharp and closes promptly at 7:00 am.

Come if you have a question about your faith, want to talk more about Sunday's sermon, are wondering about something, or need prayer or support. For questions see Janie Slamon or Louise Schaefer. **Next meeting, October 1, 6:30 AM.**



**SUNDAY
OCTOBER 4**

MISSION FAIR

“BUILDING THE KINGDOM”

Emmaus Chorale

Singers are welcome and needed for the Winter Concert. Rehearsals begin Monday, September 28 at 7:30 pm at the Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit on S. Cedar Crest Blvd. in Emmaus. The Concert date is December 4, time TBA, at Bethel Church, Emmaus, with Mark Suter directing.



Lend a Hand—Give a Can

The Mission Committee is extending the food drive thru Thanksgiving. During this difficult economic time, there are even more families in need. Please consider adding a few canned goods when you shop this week and bring them into Church. All donations are now being delivered to the Emmaus Food Bank.

Activity at the DevonHouse

Attention Parents: Our next visit to the DevonHouse is scheduled for Wednesday, October 7th at 10:00 AM. Our visiting schedule is the first Wednesday of every even numbered month.

The DevonHouse is an Assisted Living facility located at 1930 Bevin Drive in Allentown (behind Perkins, next to the South Mall). This is a wonderful opportunity for our children to visit with the older members of our community, and also for the older members of our community to visit with our children!

If you and your children are interested in participating in this visit, please contact Ann Lowell (610) 398-8267.



Joys & Concerns

Keep these people in your prayers!

- ◆ **Ruth Murray**, mother of **Laurie Payea**, recovering from surgery; and **Larry Murray**, Laurie's brother, who is dealing with health issues.
- ◆ **Ann Greenwood** and her family, on the death of her granddaughter **Emma Takacs**, daughter of **Ann Mick**.
- ◆ **Melanie Shimer**, as she recovers from a broken leg.
- ◆ **Dave Weber**, as he undergoes another round of chemo.
- ◆ **Bruce Yaeck**, brother of **Joanne Rath**, as he recovers from a serious injury.
- ◆ **Lorraine Whaley**, sister of **Kathy Hemberger**, on her recent cancer diagnosis and treatment.
- ◆ The grandfather of **Chad Gorr**, as he continues his ongoing battle with ALS.
- ◆ **Blanche Ring**, mother of **Debbie Lillegard**, under-going treatment for cancer.
- ◆ All **church members** & their families who are experiencing job loss and economic uncertainty.

We respect your privacy. If you have a joy or a concern you would like printed in the bulletin, please contact your deacon, or call the church office (610) 967-5600.

In **MILITARY SERVICE**

Keep these people in your prayers!

- ◆ **Bethany Kauffman**, niece of **Jim & Penny Pantano**, serving in the Middle East.
- ◆ **Charles Van Heest**, grandson of **Kay & Dave Weber**.
- ◆ **Doland J. Miller**, son-in-law of **George J. Smits**
- ◆ **Amanda** and **Jeremy Miller**, grandchildren of **George J. Smits**.
- ◆ **Lucas Whittington**, grandnephew of **Cliff & Donna Lucas**.

LEHIGH PRESBYTERY CHURCHES

Please remember to pray for your brothers and sisters of the Lehigh Presbytery.

- ◆ **Church of the Mountain**—Delaware Water Gap
- ◆ **College Hill Presbyterian Church**, Easton



September 28—Phillip Martin

October 3— Jenny Webb

We're on the Web!

Our Faith Presbyterian Church website (<http://www.faithchurchemmaus.org>) is an incredible resource for access to our church news and information—available 24 hours a day. You can check out the bulletins days ahead of Sunday Worship. You can review past issues of The Faith Flyer. You can learn about our many committees...and so much more! Please direct questions and/or comments pertaining to our website to Mark Heimbach at mheimbach@yahoo.com.

Two Weeks of Faith

Room Numbers, indicating where meetings will be held (when known), are shown in parenthesis following the listing.

This Week

Sunday, September 27

9:00 am— Sunday School
10:30 am— Worship Service
11:30 am— Worship Assistant Information
11:45 am— Alpha Choir (7)
6:00 pm— G.L.U.E.* (3)

Monday, September 28

6:00 pm— PNC
6:30 pm— Partnership

Tuesday, September 29

7:00 pm— Quilting (FH)

Wednesday, September 30

Noon— Bible Exploration
6:00 pm— Handbell Choir Rehearsal (S)
7:30 pm— Senior Choir Rehearsal (S)

Thursday, October 1

6:30 am— 1st Thursday Sunrise Devotional (P)
9:30 am— Devotional Fellowship Group (Vitale)
7-10 pm— Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

Friday, October 2

Saturday, October 3

9:00 am— Set up for Stewardship Mission Fair (FH)

Next Week

Sunday, October 4

World Communion

9:00 am— Sunday School
10:30 am— Worship Service: Peacemaking

Monday, October 5

Pastor Roberta on Interim training leave thru 10/12
7:00 pm— Worship

Tuesday, October 6

7:00 pm— W.O.F.** (FH)
7:30 pm— Admin

Wednesday, October 7

10:00 am— Play Group Activity (DevonHouse)
Noon— Bible Exploration
6:00 pm— Handbell Choir Rehearsal (S)
7:30 pm— Senior Choir Rehearsal (S)

Thursday, October 8

9:30 am— Devotional Fellowship Group (Robinson)
7-10 pm— Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

Friday, October 9

Saturday, October 10

**God Leads Us Everywhere (Youth Group)*

***Women of Faith*

REGARDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please plan for your announcements to be printed in the church bulletin and bring or email them to the church office no later than Wednesday afternoon.

Office hours: Monday through Thursday—9:00 am to 2:00 pm...Closed Friday
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