



Mission Statement of Faith Church

Our common ministry as the people of Faith Presbyterian Church is rooted in the saving love of God shown in Jesus Christ and matures as we trust God to provide love and grace for our lives.

We invite others to celebrate the Good News of Salvation with us and to share in the renewing experience we have in showing God's love.

Thus we will live and worship in a way that welcomes others to journey with us as we serve and are served, teach and are taught, love and are loved, hear and are heard and as we enjoy our life together in the body of Christ.

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

9:15 AM

AUGUST 23, 2009



PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Jesus Christ, light of the world, help us to see the young people in our midst as reflectors of your light. Help us fan the flames of their young hearts. Show us the way to love them, to encourage them, to see them as you see them. We give you thanks for the life Chelsea MacLean lived with us, for the witness to you she was and is, and for the young people like Chelsea who remind us to be hopeful. Amen.

(To continue preparation for worship, read the rest of page 238 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

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

ARR. MELODY BOBER

WELCOME

*SONG FOR ASSEMBLY

"For Surely I Know the Plans"

G. S. OATEN

Come gath - er my friends and see _____ The Fruits of the
Spi - rit lived out: _____ As we see Je - sus in
One and all, We rise to ad - min - is - ter grace.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather in the name of Jesus Christ,
the head of the church and Savior of the world.

**Not because we have invited Christ into our house,
but because Christ has invited us into the house of the Lord.**

We have come, not to tell Christ what we will do,
but to learn from Christ who we are and what we are to do.

We have come to receive Christ's gracious gift of love,
to place our minds, our hearts, our will in his hands.

We come to listen to Christ.

Speak, O Lord, so we, your servants, may hear.



*HYMN #341

"Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine"

ASSURANCE

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION
CALL TO CONFESSION AND SILENT CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

Lord, listen to your people praying. Your faithfulness is all around us, in the green of the hill, in the rushing of the rivers, and in the life that surrounds us. You created it all without our help. God, this is your world, given to us, and your presence is indeed in this place. Help us to love you for who you are, and not for the things we want you to do for us. Help us to love your world for what it is, and not because we carelessly use up what you provide. Help us to praise you for your people, for the way you made each and every person. God of wonder, God of each precious moment, help us to know to be close to you.

HYMN #572

KYRIE

Lord, Have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*HYMN #579

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen. Amen.



*PASSING OF THE PEACE
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
JOYS AND CONCERNS
INTERCESSIONS AND PETITIONS
LORD'S PRAYER *(Please use "debts & debtors".)*

THE WORD OF GOD

WORD WITH THE CHILDREN

FIRST LESSON

OT – Pg. 2 in the gray Bible, Pg. 1 in the blue Bible

GENESIS 1:29-2:3

*HYMN #326

"I Will Trust in You"

WORDS/MUSIC BY
DANNY DANIELS

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1. When I can't see You, I know You're here, when I can't
2. And when the bat - tle is close at hand, I know You're
3. And when the dark - ness is clos - ing in, and I am
4. 'Cause when I'm stand - ing up - on that shore, and all the

Bm7

feel You, I will not fear. I will
with me to help me stand. I will
run - ning a - gainst the wind, I will
bat - tles, they have gone be - fore, I will

G D Bm7 G D

trust in You, and I will not be a - fraid. I will

Bm7 F#m7

not be a - fraid, I will

Bm7 F#m7

not be a - fraid. I will trust in

G Em7 A D

You, I will trust in You.

SECOND LESSON

NT – Pg. 183 in the gray Bible, Pg. 180 in the blue Bible

EPHESIANS 1:3-10, 20, 2:4-9

SERMON

“First Things First”

REV. ROBERTA J. KEARNEY.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD’S WORD

OFFERTORY

Men’s Quartet

“Boundless Love”

DIANE WILKENSON

*DEDICATION HYMN

“Freely, Freely”

CAROL OWENS

“Free - ly, free - ly, you have re - ceived,
free - ly, free - ly give. Go in my name, and be -
cause you be - lieve, oth - ers will know that I live.”

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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

A BRIEF STATEMENT OF FAITH, COMMISSIONED IN 1983, AND
THE HEIDELBERG CATECHISM, COMPOSED IN 1562

In life and in death we belong to God.

Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,

and the communion of the Holy Spirit,

we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.

Question 1: What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

Answer: That I belong – body and soul, in life and in death – not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready to live for him.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN #379 *"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"* SOLID ROCK

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE TO THE BENEDICTION *"Holy is the Lord"* FRANZ SCHUBERT
Men's Quartet

*POSTLUDE *"Blessed Assurance"* ARR. BOBER



*Those who are able are invited to stand.

❖❖❖❖❖❖Latecomers may be seated.

Special Music for Summer

Our organist, Eleanor Focht, is on vacation today. This morning's special music is offered by a Male Quartet: Jim Robinson, Joe Smits, Chas Shimer, and George Smits, accompanied by Suzanne Seem. We thank them for sharing the gift of their talent. Next Sunday, we will be treated to music offered by the Kreider family.



Senior Choir Ensemble

Next Sunday, after worship, the Senior Choir Ensemble will rehearse in the sanctuary. The ensemble will sing for worship on September 6.



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

Camping Weekend

If it seems a little empty in worship this morning, it's because over 40 of our Faith family are participating in the Faith Church Camping Weekend. Please be sure to talk to them next Sunday about their experience. Maybe you'll want to be part of the crowd next year!

Yard Sale

September 12 @ 8:00 am

The yard sale is nearly upon us and time is running out for summer projects like cleaning out your garage, your attic, your extra bedrooms, etc. We are accepting donations of items for sale right up until September 11th. If you need something picked up, please contact Jack or Lisa Decker (610-966-4798). Pick-ups will be scheduled for over Labor Day weekend.

Are you interested in joining Faith Presbyterian Church?



Please contact Ann Lowell at 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 the Fall.

Wedding Invitation

Katy Schaefer and Adreck McDonald invite you to celebrate their wedding ceremony on September 5, 2009 at 2 p.m. here at Faith Presbyterian Church.



Nursery Volunteers Needed!

There will be no paid staff in the nursery this summer. Therefore it is necessary for congregation members to sign up for nursery duty.

Consider helping with this ministry. One adult and one youth would be the perfect mix to oversee the children who need nursery care during our worship services this summer.

A sign up sheet is on the door of the nursery. Please sign up for one or more Sundays.

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, especially in the summer months, with kids out of school and not receiving government assisted breakfasts and lunches. 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.



Get Fed this Fall

Many of you are saying you are hungry for more of God in your life – through scripture and faith conversation with each other.

In September, you will have a chance to pull up a chair at God's table with time to feast on His word.

Using the daily devotional, *My Time with God: 15 Minute Devotions for the Entire Year*, we will read through the New Testament. Every day in *My Time with God*, there is also an Old Testament reading and an insight piece for reflection and discussion. There will be at least three weekly opportunities to join a discussion of what you hear God saying.

You may order the book from a variety of sources. Or, to get a copy at a discounted price of \$10 you may order thru Sue Vitale, 610 967-4689.



PEPper *(Prayer Enthusiastic People)*

PEPper is reorganizing and taking a break. We'll be back in the autumn. PEPper meets weekly on Thursdays from 6:30 am - 7:00 am for devotions and prayer before the start of the day. It's a great way to start the day.

For more information see Janie Slamon (610) 967-4899 or Louise Schaefer (610) 965-3544. All are welcome! Meetings will resume on September 10.



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.

What is Equal Exchange?

Equal Exchange was founded to create approach to trade that includes informed consumers, honest and fair trade relationships and cooperative principles. As a worker-owned co-op, they accomplish this by offering consumers fairly traded gourmet coffee direct from small-scale farmer co-ops in Latin America, Africa and Asia. More information can be found in the July/August issue of The Faith Flyer.

Devotional Fellowship Group

Fall session begins September 17, 2009

Join your friends and make new ones on **Thursday mornings** for a time of fellowship, study, and prayer. We meet from **9:30 – 11 a.m.** in each others' homes. This fall our study will use *My Time with God* devotional book and the “Lectio Divina” method to help each other hear God's word to us. Fall session will run for 9 weeks, from Sept. 17 – Nov. 12. Books are available for \$10 each. Come and bring a friend !

Our first meeting will be held at the home of
Deanna Robinson.

Directions available in the church office or email
Deanna at DSWRobinson@ptd.net



August 23—Wesley Johnston

August 27—Jan Vitale

August 28—Frances Gledhill, Sally Showalter

What's around the corner?

- Check the Faith Flyer for all the choir rehearsal dates. The music program is ready to roll!
- Worship schedule returns to 10:30 on Sunday, September 13th!
- Sunday School begins for everyone on Sunday, September 13th, at a new time...9:00 am!

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.





Joys & Concerns

Keep these people in your prayers!



- ◆ **Dave Weber**, as he undergoes another round of chemo.
- ◆ **Joe Smits**, on his continued recovery.
- ◆ **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.
- ◆ **Emma Takacs**, in her daily walk with cerebral palsy.
- ◆ **Blanche Ring**, mother of **Debbie Lillegard**, undergoing 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**.
- ◆ **Doug Durn**, son of **Bob & Brynn Durn**.
- ◆ **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.

- ◆ **First Presbyterian Church**, Weatherly
- ◆ **White Haven Presbyterian Church**

Loretta Connor
 Mitchell Connor
 Mark Heimbach
 Matthew Heimbach
 Sally Heimbach
 Stephen Heimbach
 Bonnie Hillman
 Jack Hillman
 Hannah Lingold
 Judith Lingold
 Katherine Lingold

Hank Rath

Deacon of the Month—Care Group # 10

Phoebe Lingold
 Ryan Lingold
 Bruce Luff
 Elizabeth Luff
 Samuel Luff

Thomas Luff
 Susan McCracken
 Pam Mongi
 Joe Payea
 Laura Payea

Lauren Payea
 Laurie Payea
 Donald Perry
 Helen Perry
 Janie Slamon
 Darcy Trop
 Karen Trop
 Kelly Trop
 Bruce Wagner
 Jean Wagner

Two Weeks of Faith

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

This Week

Sunday, August 23

9:15 am— Worship Service

Monday, August 24

7:00 pm— Christian Education

Tuesday, August 25

7:30 pm— Stewardship

Wednesday, August 26

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Thursday, August 27

7-10 pm— Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

Friday, August 28

Saturday, August 29

7 am to 3 pm— Outside group using Fellowship Hall
and 2 classrooms

Next Week

Sunday, August 30

9:15 am— Worship Service

10:15 am— Senior Choir Ensemble Rehearsal

Monday, August 31

7:30 pm— Worship

Tuesday, September 1

7:00 pm— Admin

Wednesday, September 2

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Thursday, September 3

7-10 pm— Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

Friday, September 4

4:00 pm— Schaefer/McDonald Rehearsal

Saturday, September 5

9 am-9 pm— Schaefer/McDonald Wedding & Reception

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.

Summer Office hours: Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday 9:00 am to 2:00 pm...Closed Wednesday & Friday
faithchurch@faithchurchemmaus.org

