

A Service of the Word, Prayer, and Sacrament

Gathering Music

Song of Ascent

Arise, My Soul, Arise

Arise, my soul, arise; shake off your guilty fears;
The bleeding sacrifice on my behalf appears;
Before the throne my Surety stands, before the throne my Surety stands;
My name is written on His hands.

Refrain: Arise (Arise), arise (arise), arise, arise, my soul, arise.
Shake off your guilty fears and rise!

He ever lives above for me to intercede;
His all-redeeming love, His precious blood to plead;
His blood atoned for every race; His blood atoned for every race
And sprinkles now the throne of grace. *Refrain*

My God is reconciled; His pard’ning voice I hear;
He owns me for His child; I can no longer fear.
With confidence I now draw nigh; with confidence I now draw nigh
And “Father, Abba, Father” cry. *Refrain*

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Call to Worship

Psalm 100:1-5 Jamie Peterson, Asst.Pastor of Discipleship

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!
Serve the LORD with gladness!
Come into His presence with singing!

People: Know that the LORD, He is God!
It is He who made us, and we are His;
we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

Leader: Enter His gates with thanksgiving,
and His courts with praise!
Give thanks to Him; bless His name!

All: For the LORD is good;
His steadfast love endures forever,
and His faithfulness to all generations.

Song of Praise

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners *Trinity Hymnal* No. 498

Jesus! what a Friend for sinners! Jesus! Lover of my soul;
Friends may fail me, foes assail me; He, my Savior, makes me whole.

Refrain: Hallelujah! what a Savior! Hallelujah! what a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, He is with me to the end.

Jesus! what a strength in weakness! Let me hide myself in Him;
Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing, He, my strength, my vict’ry wins. *Refrain*

Jesus! what a help in sorrow! While the billows o’er me roll,
Even when my heart is breaking, He, my comfort, helps my soul. *Refrain*

Jesus! what a guide and keeper! While the tempest still is high,
Storms about me, night o’ertakes me, He, my pilot, hears my cry. *Refrain*

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

Call to Confession

Zechariah 7:10

Do not oppress the widow, the fatherless, the sojourner, or the poor, and let none of you devise evil against another in your heart.

Prayer of Confession

From the *Worship Sourcebook*

Merciful God, You pardon all who truly repent and turn to You. We humbly confess our sins and ask Your mercy. We have not loved You with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with You, our God.

Have mercy on us, O God, in Your lovingkindness. In Your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart and renew a right spirit within us. Restore to us the joy of Your salvation and sustain us with Your bountiful Spirit through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Offer of Forgiveness

Philippians 1:6

Leader: And I am sure of this, that He who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

All: We receive Your great mercy, O God!

Hymn of Rejoicing

He Will Hold Me Fast

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold through life’s fearful path,
For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast.

Refrain: He will hold me fast; He will hold me fast.
For my Savior loves me so. He will hold me fast.

Those He saves are His delight; Christ will hold me fast.
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast.
He’ll not let my soul be lost; His promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast. *Refrain*

For my life He bled and died. Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast
Till our faith is turned to sight when He comes at last. *Refrain*

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New Member Introductions

8:15: Caroline Knight; Tank and Amy Tankersley
11:00: Scott and Allison McKeen; Judy Moore

Prayers of the People

This Week’s Prayer Focus James Albritton, elder

Worship: that we would abide in Christ
Community: for business owners and entrepreneurs
Mission: for Tyler Harris with Unbound Grace, Addiction Counseling
All Generations: for the architects, contractors, and others who are helping with the project

Reading of the Scripture

Ephesians 4:17-24

¹⁷ Now this I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. ¹⁸ They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. ¹⁹ They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. ²⁰ But that is not the way you learned Christ!— ²¹ assuming that you have heard about Him and were taught in Him, as the truth is in Jesus, ²² to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, ²³ and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, ²⁴ and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

Preaching of God's Word

The Old and New Jason Sterling, Senior Pastor

Invitation: Words, Welcome, Warning

Matthew 26:26-29

Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, “Take, eat; this is My body.” And He took a cup, and when He had given thanks He gave it to them, saying, “Drink of it, all of you, for this is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father’s kingdom.”

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Distribution of the Elements

Communion Hymn

Beneath the Cross arr. Faye López

Closing Hymns

I Have Paid It All

Come, let us reason; bring your burden; bring your shame;
Name all your failures, vain behaviors, vilest ways.

Refrain: I have paid it all. I have paid it all.
Guilt no more remains. I have paid, I’ve paid it all.

Sin deep as scarlet, I have washed it white as snow.
Will you receive it? Rest forgiven. Doubt no more. *Refrain*

Ending: Come, let us reason; bring your burden; bring your shame.
I am before the throne. You stand in Me complete.
I died your soul to save. O hear My lips repeat.

Kirk Sauers | Paul Ranheim. Bold Canary Music | Mellow Toad Music.

Ancient of Days

Though the nations rage, kingdoms rise and fall, there is still one King reigning over all.
So I will not fear, for this truth remains, that my God is the Ancient of Days.

Refrain: None above Him, none before Him, all of time in His hands,
For His throne, it shall remain and ever stand, all the power, all the glory.
I will trust in His name, for my God is the Ancient of Days.

Though the dread of night overwhelms my soul, He is here with me; I am not alone.
O His love is sure, and He knows my name, for my God is the Ancient of Days. *Refrain*

Though I may not see what the future brings, I will watch and wait for the Savior King;
Then my joy complete, standing face to face in the presence of the Ancient of Days. *Refrain*

Songwriters: Jesse Reeves / Michael Farren / Rich Thompson / Jonny Robinson. Ancient of Days lyrics © Farren Love And War Publishing, Integrity’s Alleluia! Music, Cityalight Music.

Benediction

Sending

Partaking of the Lord’s Supper at Faith

If you know and love the Lord Jesus Christ, are earnestly repentant of your sins, are willing to renew your commitment to Christ, and are a member in good standing with a branch of Christ’s church that preaches Jesus Christ as the only way to God the Father, we welcome you to partake of this sacrament with us. An usher will dismiss rows starting at the front of each section.

Please come forward using the center aisle, and wait until an usher directs you to one of the stations. We encourage families to come together. Please take a piece of bread and a cup as the trays of elements are passed. Cups with wine and cups with juice are marked on the trays. You will consume the elements while you are at the front. Return to your seat by way of the outside aisles. If you cannot come forward, please ask someone near you to alert a server, and an elder will bring the elements to you.

Children and adults who have not yet professed their faith in Christ or been admitted to the Table are encouraged to come forward with their families for prayer. Children and adults should partake only after professing their faith publicly.

Church Officers

Ruling Elders

James Albritton	Eric Henry	Chris Ryan
Dicky Barlow	Johnny Johnson	Hal Shepherd
Bryan Becker	Bradley Moore	Scotty Stanford
John Benner	Mike Murphy	Tyler Whitson
David Breland	Randy Pigg	
Clay Conner	Karl Potts	

Deacons

Brad Adair	Tom Gardner	Jeremy Shank
Robert Atherton	Andrew Glennon	Hunter Shepherd
Brent Cobb	James Goree	Tim Smith
Clay Collie	Dan Gwaltney	Sammy Smoke
Brian Conley	Derrick Helm	Randal Snook
Patrick Cunningham	Josiah Helms	Carey Sullivan
Felder Davis	Todd Jackson	Luke Trammell
Shaun DeCoudres	Mitchell Lewis	Ed Wright
Jeff Dixon	David Marsh	
Brent Dorner	James Oliver	

To All

*who desire to worship and pray;
To all who are seeking and desire to find;
To all who are searching and want to know;
To all who sin and need a Savior;
To all who are wayward and need a Lord;
To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
To all who mourn and long for comfort;
To all who struggle and desire freedom;
To all who are lonely or strangers and want fellowship;
To all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
And to whosoever will come,
Faith Presbyterian Church offers welcome
In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

Financial Snapshot of Faith

	Income	Anticipated Income
February 2024	\$ 325,693	\$ 370,000
YTD 2024	\$ 637,570	\$ 601,250
Percentage of Budget Remaining: 86 %		

Upcoming at Faith

For more information, visit us online at faith-pca.org or on the Faith PCA app.

Good Friday + Easter Sunday: On Good Friday, we will have two services, at 4:30 and 6 p.m. Nursery will be provided for both. On Easter Sunday we will have one outdoor service at 10 a.m. Nursery will be provided up to age 3.

Men’s Retreat: Register now for our FPC men’s weekend, April 5–7.

Church Workday: Help with our annual spring cleaning of the church on Saturday morning, April 13.

Congregational Meeting: The Session has called a congregational meeting on April 14 at 10:40 a.m. in the sanctuary to elect elders and deacons.

Sundays at Faith

Adults and Students


Kingdom Communities meet at 9:45 a.m. A map of classroom locations is available at the welcome desk in the upper gathering hall.



FAITH STUDENT MINISTRIES
Room 234
7th-12th graders



GENESIS
Room 101
Singles and married couples in their early 20s




EXODUS
Room 102
Singles and married couples in their mid 20s to early 30s




MOSAIC
Room 168
Singles and married couples in their late 20s to early 30s




COVENANT
Room 144
Singles and married couples with or without young children in their late 20s to mid 30s



COMMON GROUND
Room 104
Parents of early elementary-age children; singles and couples in their mid 30s to mid 40s




CORNERSTONE
Room 145
Parents of older elementary–junior high students; singles and couples in their late 30s or 40s



CROSSROADS
(across Buckton Road)
Parents of senior high and college students; singles and couples primarily in their mid 40s or 50s



SOJOURNERS
Room 214
Parents of adult children; singles and couples primarily in their late 50s or 60s



TAPESTRY
Room 103
Singles and couples primarily in their late 60s, 70s or 80s

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Children

For children ages K5 - 6th grade, KingdomKids meets Sunday mornings at 9:45 a.m. Children’s Ministry check-in is at the bottom of the worship center stairs.

Nursery

For children birth - 4 years old, nursery is provided for both worship services and during Kingdom Communities. Check-in is available at the nursery entrance on the upper level.