

# A Service of the Word, Prayer, and Sacrament

## Gathering Music

### Song of Ascent

Jesus Is Alive

There is now a hope that lasts beyond our days,  
For the One who once was buried lives again.  
Now the tomb is bare and empty, and the stone is rolled away.  
Praise the risen One who overcame the grave.

All you brokenhearted, all you worn and weak,  
Come find living water, everlasting streams.  
To the wand'ring spirit, lost and searching, wanting something more,  
Find the risen King who overcomes the world.

*Refrain:* Let there be dancing in the darkness,  
And let our song break through the night.  
Lift your voice and sing that Christ is King,  
For Jesus is alive.

No more condemnation, no more doubt and fear,  
For our sin and shame, they have no power here.  
In His resurrection perfect love has set the captives free.  
Praise the risen King, who stands in victory! *Refrain*

*Bridge:* Hallelujah! Death is undone! Hallelujah! Jesus has won!  
Hallelujah! We overcome! Oh, in Jesus, oh, in Jesus.

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### Call to Worship

Revelation 15:3b-4      Martin Wagner, Executive Pastor

**Leader:** “Great and amazing are Your deeds,  
O Lord God the Almighty!  
Just and true are Your ways, O King of the nations!

**All:** Who will not fear, O Lord, and glorify Your name?  
For You alone are holy.  
All nations will come and worship You,  
for Your righteous acts have been revealed.”

### Song of Praise

Holy, Holy, Holy!      *Trinity Hymnal* No. 100

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,  
Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,  
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see;  
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,  
Perfect in pow’r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
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## Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

### Call to Confession

Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper,  
but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy.

Proverbs 28:13

### Hymn of Confession

Lord, Lord, Lord

Lord, Lord, Lord, please restore our trust.  
We've lost our way. Lord, we've strayed from love.  
We've broken vows; we've wasted breath;  
We've stolen life; we've tasted death.

*Refrain:* Lamb of God, take away our sin.  
Have mercy; have mercy.  
Jesus Christ, holy sacrifice,  
have mercy, have mercy on us.

We need You now to forgive our sin.  
Replace our stone hearts with flesh again.  
Undo the curse, and heal our faith.  
Unleash Your power, Lord. Come and save.  
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### Offer of Forgiveness

Ephesians 2:4-5

**Leader:** But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ — by grace you have been saved.

**All:** We receive Your great mercy, O God!

### Hymn of Rejoicing

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners

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 guide and keeper! While the tempest still is high,  
Storms about me, night o’ertakes me, He, my pilot, hears my cry. *Refrain*  
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### Prayers of the People

Prayer Focus      Steve Hood, FaithKids Director

**Worship:** that we would clothe ourselves with humility (1 Peter 5:5-6)  
**Community:** for our FSM interns (Libby, Margaret, Jay, and Davis) as they return to school/jobs  
**Mission:** for Escuela Bíblica Nueva Providencia in Medellín, Colombia  
**All Generations:** for the architects, contractors, and others who are helping with the project

### Reading of the Scripture

Matthew 7:13-14

<sup>13</sup> “Enter by the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. <sup>14</sup> For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few.

### Preaching of God's Word

A Narrow Community      Adam Shields

### 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

His Robes for Mine      arr. Molly Ijames

### Closing Hymns

Behold

The empty filled, the wounded healed, the broken back together;  
The poor are blessed; the weary rest. We will dance forever.

The blinded see; the chained are free; the doubtful, now believer;  
The outcast known, the orphan home; You are my Redeemer.

*Refrain:* Behold, behold, behold what love can do.  
Behold, behold, He's making all things new.

The lost return; the voiceless heard, the mourner now rejoicing;  
The mountains shake; the world awake, creation all composing.

The sad untrue, the earth renewed; the song has found its singer.  
The darkness light, the dead alive; You are my Redeemer.

*Bridge:* We've been struck down; we're not destroyed.  
We've sown in tears; we'll reap in joy.  
We've been struck down; we're not destroyed.  
We've sown in tears; we'll reap in joy.  
Our eyes are open; our eyes are open.

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### Christ Is Mine Forevermore

Mine are days that God has numbered; I was made to walk with Him.  
Yet I look for worldly treasure and forsake the King of kings.  
But mine is hope in my Redeemer; though I fall, His love is sure.  
For Christ has paid for ev'ry failing; I am His forevermore.

Mine are tears in times of sorrow, darkness not yet understood.  
Through the valley I must travel, where I see no earthly good.  
But mine is peace that flows from heaven and the strength in times of need.  
I know my pain will not be wasted; Christ completes His work in me.

Mine are days here as a stranger, pilgrim on a narrow way.  
One with Christ I will encounter harm and hatred for His name.  
But mine is armor for this battle, strong enough to last the war.  
And He has said He will deliver safely to the golden shore.

And mine are keys to Zion city; where beside the King I walk.  
For there my heart has found its treasure; Christ is mine forevermore.

Come rejoice now, O my soul; for His love is my reward.  
Fear is gone and hope is sure; Christ is mine forevermore.  
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## 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.

## Mission Partners

### Global Missions

Alex and Maggie Halbert — *Mission to the World, Honduras*  
Alex and Suzanne Sarran — *Mission GO, France*  
Argyris and Dina Petrou — *AMG International, Greece*  
Bradley and Sara Cordell — *Mission to the World, Birmingham/Ukraine*  
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### Regional Missions

RUF at Jacksonville State University  
Danny Harry — RUF Intern, University of Tennessee Knoxville  
Latasha Allston — RUF Campus Staff, Howard University  
Michael Alsup — RUF-I Minister, Auburn University  
Stewart Swain — RUF Minister, University of Alabama  
Tanner Crum — RUF Minister, Auburn University

### Local Missions

Aaron Long — *Restoration Academy, Fairfield, Alabama*  
Amy Hudson — *RUF Campus Staff, University of Alabama at Birmingham*  
Ben Griffith — *RUF Minister, Samford University*  
Brad Owens — *RUF Minister, University of Alabama at Birmingham*  
Cameron Patterson — *Unbound Grace, Addiction Counseling*  
Grace House Ministries — *Fairfield, Alabama*  
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John Steakley — *Unbound Grace, Addiction Counseling*  
*Lifeline Children's Services*  
Restoration Academy — *Fairfield, Alabama*  
Sav-A-Life — *Shelby County*  
Stephen Merwin — *RUF-I Minister, University of Alabama at Birmingham*  
Tyler Harris — *Unbound Grace, Addiction Counseling*  
Young Life — *Birmingham South (Shelby County)*

To serve, to give, or if you have questions about missions, please contact Johnny Johnson ([jjohnson@faith-pca.org](mailto:jjohnson@faith-pca.org)).

## Evangelism Conference Sign-up

Scan this QR code:



## Upcoming at Faith

For more information, visit us online at [faith-pca.org](http://faith-pca.org) or on the Faith PCA app.

**Evangelism Conference:** Register for our evangelism conference, August 23–25.

**Men's Work Day:** Contact Adam Shields ([ashields@faith-pca.org](mailto:ashields@faith-pca.org)) to help revamp the Buck building across the street on August 3.

**All Generations Parking:** If you are able, please park across the street at Jeff State, and utilize our shuttle system on Sunday mornings.


## 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*

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


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


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


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

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

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

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

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

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

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### Children

For children ages K5 - 6th grade, KingdomKids meets Sunday mornings at 9:45 a.m.

### 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.