

# A Service of the Word, Prayer, and Sacrament

**Song of Ascent** Psalm 34 (Taste and See)

I sought the Lord, and He answered me and delivered me from ev'ry fear.  
Those who look on Him are radiant. They'll never be ashamed.  
They'll never be ashamed.

This poor man cried, and the Lord heard me and saved me from my enemies.  
The Son of God surrounds His saints; He will deliver them.  
He will deliver them.

*Refrain:* Magnify the Lord with me. Come exalt His name together.  
Glorify the Lord with me. Come exalt His name forever.

O taste and see that the Lord is good. O blessed is he who hides in Him.  
O fear the Lord, O all you saints. He'll give you everything.  
He'll give you everything.

*Bridge:* Let us bless the Lord ev'ry day and night.  
Never-ending praise, may our incense rise.

*Ending:* O taste and see that the Lord is good. He'll give you everything.  
He'll give you everything.

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**Call to Worship** 1 Chronicles 29:10b-13 Martin Wagner, Executive Pastor

**Leader:** Blessed are You, O LORD, the God of Israel our father, forever and ever.

**People:** Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is Yours. Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and You are exalted as head above all.

**Leader:** Both riches and honor come from You, and You rule over all. In Your hand are power and might, and in Your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all.

**All:** And now we thank You, our God, and praise Your glorious name.

**Song of Praise** My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus’ blood and righteousness;  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus’ name.

*Refrain:* On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;  
All other ground is sinking sand;  
All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace;  
In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil. *Refrain*

His oath, His covenant, His blood support me in the whelming flood;  
When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay. *Refrain*

When He shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in Him be found;  
Dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne. *Refrain*

## Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

**Call to Confession** 1 John 1:5-7

This is the message we have heard from Him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with Him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.

## Prayer of Confession

Father, You have been holy and good from all eternity. We have been sinful from our birth. You are faithful in all Your ways. We are guilty of hypocrisy. Forgive us for the ways we walk in darkness while we proclaim to walk with You. Have mercy on us, for we say we love Your name, yet we do not love our neighbors in need. We repent for remaining in the shadows of selfishness, and we take a step now into Your light, longing for grace and a renewed fellowship with You and one another. Faithier, we rest in Your unfailing love, and we hope in the precious blood of Christ, shed for the forgiveness of our sins. We thank You for the work of the Holy Spirit, sealing us as a guarantee for the eternal inheritance to come. Amen.

**Offer of Forgiveness** 1 John 1:9

**Leader:** If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

**Hymn of Rejoicing** O Praise the Name (Anástasis)

I cast my mind to Calvary, where Jesus bled and died for me.  
I see His wounds, His hands, His feet, my Savior on that cursed tree.

His body bound and drenched in tears, they laid Him down in Joseph's tomb.  
The entrance sealed by heavy stone, Messiah still and all alone.

*Refrain:* O praise the name of the Lord our God!  
O praise His name forevermore!  
For endless days we will sing Your praise,  
O Lord, O Lord, our God.

Then on the third at break of dawn, the Son of heaven rose again.  
O trampled death, where is your sting? The angels roar for Christ the King!  
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**Sacrament of Baptism** McGee Kilpatrick Gwaltney (8:15)  
Caroline Louise Schaffeld  
William Paul Carpenter  
Julia Evelyn Grace Wilson (11:00)

**Prayers of the People** Grady Trammell, elder

**Worship:** that we would set our hearts and minds on things above (Colossians 3:1-3)  
**Community:** for business owners and entrepreneurs  
**Mission:** for Stephen Merwin – RUF-I Minister, University of Alabama at Birmingham  
**All Generations:** for unity as a congregation as we work together in this building campaign

**Reading of the Scripture** Luke 22:7-23

<sup>7</sup> Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. <sup>8</sup> So Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, “Go and prepare the Passover for us, that we may eat it.” <sup>9</sup> They said to Him, “Where will You have us prepare it?” <sup>10</sup> He said to them, “Behold, when you have entered the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him into the house that he enters <sup>11</sup> and tell the master of the house, ‘The Teacher says to you, Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with My disciples?’” <sup>12</sup> And he will show you a large upper room furnished; prepare it there.” <sup>13</sup> And they went and found it just as He had told them, and they prepared the Passover. <sup>14</sup> And when the hour came, He reclined at table, and the apostles with Him. <sup>15</sup> And He said to them, “I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. <sup>16</sup> For I tell you I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.” <sup>17</sup> And He took a cup, and when He had given thanks He said, “Take this, and divide it among yourselves. <sup>18</sup> For I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.” <sup>19</sup> And He took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to them, saying, “This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me.” <sup>20</sup> And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, “This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in My blood. <sup>21</sup> But behold, the hand of him who betrays Me is with me on the table. <sup>22</sup> For the Son of Man goes as it has been determined, but woe to that man by whom He is betrayed!” <sup>23</sup> And they began to question one another, which of them it could be who was going to do this.

**Preaching of God's Word** The Last Supper Jason Sterling, Senior Pastor

## Invitation: Words, Welcome, Warning

**Leader:** On the night that Jesus was betrayed He took bread, and after giving thanks, He broke it, gave it to His disciples, and said, take, eat, this is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me. In the same manner, He also took the cup, and after giving thanks, He gave it to the disciples, saying, this cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for many for the remission (forgiveness) of sins. Drink from it, all of you. The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Leader:** Lift up your hearts!

**People:** We lift them up to the Lord.

**Leader:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**Leader:** Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed for us.

**People:** Hallelujah! Let us keep the feast.

**Leader:** The gifts of God for the people of God.

**All:** Thanks be to God!

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

## Distribution of the Elements

**Communion Hymn** Down at the Cross arr. Vicki Hancock Wright

**Closing Hymns** Almighty God

Almighty God, to You all hearts are open. Search and know our thoughts and anxious fears.  
Wash us in the fountain of Your mercy. Come with Your light — we cannot hide from You.

Almighty God, to You all hearts are open. With gratitude we raise our song to You.  
Come and fill the praises of Your people. In grace and truth You make us new again.

*Refrain:* Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Almighty God, to You all hearts are open. We long for more than what this world provides.  
No shallow spring will ever satisfy us, but Your river deep floods over everything.

Almighty God, to You all hearts are open. You take away our sickness and our sin.  
Oh, Lamb of God, we gather at Your table. In bread and wine You have supplied our needs.  
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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*  
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## Doxology

## 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.

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# Upcoming at Faith

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

**Make plans for Good Friday and Easter at Faith.** Our Good Friday Worship Services (indoor) are on Friday, April 18, at 4:30 and 6:00 p.m. Our Easter Sunday services are on Sunday, April 20, with two outdoor services, at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.











**FSM Summer Registration:** Registration for JrHi and SrHi summer trips is now open.

**Congregational Meeting:** The session has called a congregational meeting on April 6 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.

 <b>FAITH STUDENT MINISTRIES</b> Room 234 <i>7th-12th graders</i>	 <b>GENESIS</b> Room 101 <i>Singles and married couples in their early 20s</i>	 <b>EXODUS</b> Room 102 <i>Singles and married couples in their mid 20s to early 30s</i>
 <b>MOSAIC</b> Room 168 <i>Singles and married couples in their late 20s to early 30s</i>	 <b>COVENANT</b> Room 144 <i>Singles and married couples with or without young children in their late 20s to mid 30s</i>	 <b>COMMON GROUND</b> Room 104 <i>Parents of early elementary-age children; singles and couples in their mid 30s to mid 40s</i>
 <b>CORNERSTONE</b> Room 145 <i>Parents of older elementary–junior high students; singles and couples in their late 30s or 40s</i>	 <b>CROSSROADS</b> (across Buckton Road) <i>Parents of senior high and college students; singles and couples primarily in their mid 40s or 50s</i>	 <b>SOJOURNERS</b> Room 214 <i>Parents of adult children; singles and couples primarily in their late 50s or 60s</i>
	 <b>TAPESTRY</b> Room 103 <i>Singles and couples primarily in their late 60s, 70s, or 80s</i>	

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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.