

A Service of the Word, Prayer, and Sacrament

Song of Ascent

Surely as the Morning

What a joy to live in the fold of God. My Shepherd good, You lead me on.
Ev'rywhere I go You will hold my life, from pastures green to rivers dry.

Refrain: Even in the valley of the shadow of death, even in the barren wilderness,
Never will You leave wherever I run, surely as the morning greets the sun.

Will there be a day when Your goodness fades? In waves of grief or fires of pain?
Even at the grave You will bury my fears. My Shepherd good, You're drawing near.

Bridge: Surely I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever, forever.
Surely love and mercy will follow me forever, forever.

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Call to Worship

Psalm 111:1-4, 7-9

Chris Duncan, pastoral intern

Leader: Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

People: Great are the works of the LORD,
studied by all who delight in them.

Leader: Full of splendor and majesty is His work,
and His righteousness endures forever.

All: He has caused His wondrous works to be remembered;
the LORD is gracious and merciful.

Song of Praise

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near; join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee!
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee;
Ponder anew what the Almighty will do, if with His love He befriend thee!

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the amen sound from His people again; gladly forever adore Him.

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

Call to Confession

Proverbs 28:13

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

Prayer of Confession

Gracious Father, we confess in us there is an abundance of sin, but in You there is an abundance of mercy. Forgive us for trusting our own wisdom instead of trusting the wisdom of Your Word. Forgive us for welcoming and following our evil desires instead of shunning them. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Restore us, that may we love You with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength, delighting in all Your paths. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Offer of Forgiveness

1 John 2:1-2

Leader: My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin.
But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

All: We receive Your great mercy, O God!

Hymn of Rejoicing

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease;
My comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save.
'Til on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied,
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.
There in the ground His body lay, light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.
No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand;
'Til He returns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.
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Prayers of the People

Tyler Whitson, elder

Worship: that our entire lives would be lived as worship (Romans 12:1-2)
Community: for those in government service to lead with wisdom, justice, and compassion
Mission: for Latasha Allston, RUF Campus Staff, Howard University
All Generations: for the new building to be a welcoming space for people to come to know Christ

Reading of the Scripture

Romans 2:17-29

¹⁷ But if you call yourself a Jew and rely on the law and boast in God ¹⁸ and know His will and approve what is excellent, because you are instructed from the law; ¹⁹ and if you are sure that you yourself are a guide to the blind, a light to those who are in darkness, ²⁰ an instructor of the foolish, a teacher of children, having in the law the embodiment of knowledge and truth— ²¹ you then who teach others, do you not teach yourself? While you preach against stealing, do you steal? ²² You who say that one must not commit adultery, do you commit adultery? You who abhor idols, do you rob temples? ²³ You who boast in the law dishonor God by breaking the law. ²⁴ For, as it is written, "The name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles because of you."

²⁵ For circumcision indeed is of value if you obey the law, but if you break the law, your circumcision becomes uncircumcision. ²⁶ So, if a man who is uncircumcised keeps the precepts of the law, will not his uncircumcision be regarded as circumcision? ²⁷ Then he who is physically uncircumcised but keeps the law will condemn you who have the written code and circumcision but break the law. ²⁸ For no one is a Jew who is merely one outwardly, nor is circumcision outward and physical. ²⁹ But a Jew is one inwardly, and circumcision is a matter of the heart, by the Spirit, not by the letter. His praise is not from man but from God.

Preaching of God's Word

The Heart of the Matter Jason Sterling, Senior Pastor

Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
 Maker of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
 and born of the virgin Mary.
 He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried;
 He descended into hell.
 The third day He rose again from the dead.
 He ascended into heaven
 and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
 From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
 the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.

Invitation: Words, Welcome, Warning

Matthew 26:26-29

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Distribution of the Elements

Communion Hymn Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy arr. Mary McDonald

Closing Hymns

Bountifully with Me

I will sing my praise to the Lord, for the Lord has dealt bountifully with me.
I will sing my praise with joy, give thanks, rejoice. He has dealt bountifully with me.
I will trust God's love never fails, for the Lord has dealt bountifully with me.
I will trust God's love remains through sun and the rain. He has dealt bountifully with me.
I will fix my hope on the cross, where the Lord has dealt bountifully with me.
I will fix my hope on the Son, His scars, His love.
He has dealt bountifully with me.
I can't wait for the day He returns, when the Lord will deal bountifully with me.
What a day when the faith will be sight, every wrong be made right.
He has dealt bountifully with me.
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Is He Worthy?

Do you feel the world is broken? (We do.) Do you feel the shadows deepen? (We do.)
But do you know that all the dark won't stop the light from getting through? (We do.)
Do you wish that you could see it all made new? (We do.)
Is all creation groaning? (It is.) Is a new creation coming? (It is.)
Is the glory of the Lord to be the light within our midst? (It is.)
Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? (It is.)
Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?
Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?
The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave,
He is David's root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave.
Is He worthy? Is He worthy of all blessing and honor and glory?
Is He worthy of this? (He is.)
Does the Father truly love us? (He does.) Does the Spirit move among us? (He does.)
And does Jesus our Messiah hold forever those He loves? (He does.)
Does our God intend to dwell again with us? (He does.)
Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?
Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?
The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave,
He is David's root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave.
From every people and tribe, every nation and tongue,
He has made us a kingdom and priests to God to reign with the Son.
Is He worthy? Is He worthy of all blessing and honor and glory?
Is He worthy? Is He worthy? Is He worthy of this? He is!
Is He worthy? Is He worthy? He is! He is!
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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.

Note for Children: Children 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
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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
January 2026	\$ 604,979	\$ 455,000
YTD 2026	\$ 604,979	\$ 455,000

Percentage of Budget Remaining: 90 %

Upcoming at Faith

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

Sanctuary Dedication: We are excited to announce our Sanctuary Dedication Service on Sunday, March 29, at 5 p.m. Our first Sunday in the new sanctuary will be Easter Sunday.

Men's Retreat: Save the dates for our men's retreat, April 17–19.

Easter Choir: Rehearsals for Easter choir will begin on Wednesday, February 11, from 6:15-7:45 p.m. in the sanctuary. If you are interested in singing with us or have questions, please contact Sarah Remetich (sremetich@faith-pca.org).

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 215
7th-12th graders



GENESIS

Room 152
Singles and married couples in their early 20s



EXODUS

Room 169
Singles and married couples in their mid 20s to early 30s



MOSAIC

Room 136
Singles and married couples in their late 20s to early 30s



COVENANT

Room 133
Singles and married couples with or without young children in their late 20s to mid 30s



COMMON GROUND

Room 154
Parents of early elementary-age children; singles and couples in their mid 30s to mid 40s



CORNERSTONE

Room 134
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 167
Parents of adult children; singles and couples primarily in their late 50s or 60s



TAPESTRY

Room 153
Singles and couples primarily in their late 60s, 70s, or 80s

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