

# A Service of the Word, Prayer, and Sacrament

**Song of Ascent** God So Loved

Come, all you weary. Come, all you thirsty.  
Come to the well that never runs dry. Drink of the water. Come and thirst no more.

Come, all you sinners. Come find His mercy.  
Come to the table; He will satisfy. Taste of His goodness. Find what you're looking for.

*Refrain:* For God so loved the world that He gave us  
His one and only Son to save us. Whoever believes in Him will live forever.

Bring all your failures. Bring your addictions.  
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross. Jesus is waiting there with open arms.

*Refrain:* For God so loved the world that He gave us His one and only Son to save us.  
Whoever believes in Him will live forever. The power of hell forever defeated,  
Now it is well; I'm walking in freedom. For God so loved, God so loved the world.

*Bridge:* Praise God, praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise Him, praise Him for the wonders of His love.

*Ending:* Bring all your failures. Bring your addictions.  
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross.  
Jesus is waiting. God so loved the world.

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**Call to Worship** Psalm 96:1-6 Martin Wagner, Executive Pastor

**Leader:** Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth!  
Sing to the LORD, bless His name; tell of His salvation from day to day.

**People:** Declare His glory among the nations,  
His marvelous works among all the peoples!  
For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;  
He is to be feared above all gods.

**Leader:** For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols,  
but the LORD made the heavens.

**All:** Splendor and majesty are before Him;  
strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.

**Song of Praise** Fairest Lord Jesus

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, O, thou of God and man the Son!  
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, and all the twinkling, starry host:  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels heaven can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations! Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine.

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## Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

**Call to Confession** Proverbs 15:4

A gentle tongue is a tree of life, but perverseness in it breaks the spirit.

**Prayer of Confession**

Father, we confess the wickedness of our tongues. Instead of speaking gracious,  
encouraging words, we have said things that wound and dishearten others. Forgive us  
for using our voice to tear others down, rather than building others up in love. Spirit,  
change us and make us more like Christ. May our mouths be used as instruments for  
righteousness, speaking words that bring life to the world around us. Through Jesus  
Christ we pray, amen.

**Offer of Forgiveness** 1 Timothy 1:15

**Leader:** The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus  
came into the world to save sinners.

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

**Hymn of Rejoicing** 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus *Trnity Hymnal* No. 679

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take Him at His word;  
Just to rest upon His promise; just to know, "Thus saith the Lord."

*Refrain:* Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him!  
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er!  
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!  
O for grace to trust Him more!

## Recognition of Graduates

**8:15** William Payne Ainsworth, Kathryn Elizabeth Brantley, Hannah Elizabeth Butler,  
Anna Waite Carmichael, Harrison Doss Cavin, Addison Hayes DeCoudres,  
Dorothea Lee Friedman, Emma Catherine Hindman, Katherine Cobb Llewellyn,  
Austin Kyle Nix, Drake Harris Oliver, Lillian Joanne Petersen, Anne Mae Peterson,  
James Hudson Segrest, Helen Elizabeth Sterling, William Locke Tyree

**11:00** Emily Catherine Appleby, Weaver Gray Caldwell, Currin Still Carter,  
Anna Elizabeth Chapman, Benjamin Redden Cobb, Paul Clayton Conner III,  
Charles Bryan Davis, James Gadsby Dettling, Hannah Elizabeth Duncan,  
Henry Owen Freeman, Benjamin Everett Grant, Wesley Kate Harris,  
George Hayes Henry, Robert Fowler Jackson, Katelyn Joy Merrill,  
Grant Louis Scherer, Joseph Wrenn Smith, Sadler Thompson Christopher Smith,  
Mason Grant Thompson, Whitaker Bryan Thornton, Reid Garrett Woodward

**Prayers of the People** Patrick Bush, FSM Director

**Worship:** for teachable, undivided hearts that fear God's name (Psalm 86:11)  
**Community:** for our graduating seniors  
**Mission:** Kirk Norris – RUF-I Minister, Washington University in St. Louis  
**All Generations:** that God would provide for every financial need

**Reading of the Scripture** Romans 8:12-25

<sup>12</sup> So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. <sup>13</sup> For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup> For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. <sup>15</sup> For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” <sup>16</sup> The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup> and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with Him in order that we may also be glorified with Him. <sup>18</sup> For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. <sup>19</sup> For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. <sup>20</sup> For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it, in hope <sup>21</sup> that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. <sup>22</sup> For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. <sup>23</sup> And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup> For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? <sup>25</sup> But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

**Preaching of God's Word** Children of God Jason Sterling, Senior Pastor

**Invitation: Words, Welcome, Warning** Luke 22:14-20

And when the hour came, He reclined at table, and the apostles with Him. And He said to them, “I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. For I tell you I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.” And He took a cup, and when He had given thanks He said, “Take this, and divide it among yourselves. For I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.” 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.” And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, “This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in My blood.”

## Prayer of Thanksgiving and Distribution of the Elements

**Communion Hymns** Jesus, Lover of My Soul arr. Lloyd Larson  
I Need Thee Every Hour arr. Anna Laura Page

**Closing Hymns** Good and Gracious King

I approach the throne of glory, nothing in my hands I bring,  
But the promise of acceptance from a good and gracious King.

I will give to You my burden as You give to me Your strength.  
Come and fill me with Your Spirit as I sing to You this praise. *Refrain*

*Refrain:* You deserve the greater glory! Overcome, I lift my voice  
To the King in need of nothing; empty-handed I rejoice!  
You deserve the greater glory! Overcome with joy, I sing.  
By Your love I am accepted!  
You're a good and gracious King.

O what grace that You would see me as Your child and as Your friend.  
Safe, secure in You forever, I pour out my praise again. *Refrain*

*Bridge:* Holy, holy, Lord Almighty! Good and gracious.  
Holy, holy, Lord Almighty! Good and gracious King.

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Grace Will Prevail

Grace will prevail, though the darkness is strong and the burden weighs heavy and long.  
Grace will prevail, for our God is the Light. Rending the cover of night, grace will prevail.

Grace will prevail in the valleys of shame, where the echoes of failure remain.  
Grace will prevail with the cry to the Lord. There's a mountain of mercy in store; grace will prevail.

*Refrain:* Wait for the Lord, our God.  
Wait for the Lord, our God.  
Wait for the Lord, our rest and reward and our peace.

Grace will prevail through the wreckage and stormand the brokenness washed on the shore.  
Grace will prevail though an ocean we cry. He is with us and weeps by our side  
'Til the day they forever run dry! *Refrain*

*Bridge:* Take heart! He has overcome the world!  
He has overcome! *Refrain*

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## Doxology

## Benediction

## 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 your row, and you will exit to the side. We encourage families to come together. Please take a piece of bread and a cup as the 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 table. Return to your seat by way of the center aisle. 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.

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## 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.


  
**FAITH STUDENT MINISTRIES**  
Room 215  
*7th-12th graders*


  
**COLLEGE**  
Room 153  
*Students, singles, and married couples in their late teens and early 20s*


  
**GENESIS**  
Room 170  
*Singles and couples primarily in their early-mid 20s*


  
**EXODUS**  
Room 169  
*Singles and couples primarily in their mid 20s-early 30s*

  
**MOSAIC**  
Room 158  
*Singles and couples primarily in their late 20s-early 30s*


  
**COVENANT**  
Room 134  
*Parents of young children; singles and couples primarily in their late 20s-30s*

  
**COMMON GROUND**  
Room 133  
*Parents of elementary-age children; singles and couples primarily in their mid 30s-40s*

  
**CORNERSTONE**  
Room 159  
*Parents of JrHi-age children; singles and couples primarily in their late 30s-40s*

  
**CROSSROADS**  
Room 157  
*Parents of SrHi-age children or college students; singles and couples primarily in their mid 40s-50s*

  
**HARVEST**  
Room 151  
*Parents of adult children; singles and couples primarily in their mid 50s-60s*

  
**SOJOURNERS**  
Room 167  
*Singles and couples primarily in their mid 60s-70s*

  
**TAPESTRY**  
Room 155  
*Singles and couples primarily in their late 70s-80s*

### Children

For children ages K5 - 6th grade, KingdomKids meets Sunday at 9:45 a.m. The Children's Ministry check-in is in the new building on the first floor. Please follow the signs.

### Nursery

For children birth - 4 years old, nursery is provided for both worship services and during Kingdom Communities. Check-in is available in the new building on the first floor. Please follow the signs.

## Upcoming at Faith

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

**Kingdom Kids:** We are looking for men and women who want to serve as Kingdom Kids teachers for children K4-6th grade. Please contact Steve Hood ([shood@faith-pca.org](mailto:shood@faith-pca.org)) for more information!

**Women's Summer Study:** Join us for a summer study of Jesus in the Book of John on Tuesday evenings or Wednesday mornings! More information can be found on the Faith website.

**Women's Summer Hangouts:** Sign up for one or more of our fellowship events this summer on the Faith website!

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