

A Service of the Word, Prayer, and Sacrament

Welcome

Song of AscentOn Jordan's Stormy Banks

On Jordan’s stormy banks I stand and cast a wishful eye
To Canaan’s fair and happy land, where my possessions lie.

All o’er those wide extended plains shines one eternal day;
There God the Son forever reigns and scatters night away.

Refrain: I am bound (women echo), I am bound (women echo),
(All) I am bound for the Promised Land.

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath can reach that healthful shore;
Sickness, sorrow, pain, and death are felt and feared no more. *Refrain*

When shall I reach that happy place and be forever blest?
When shall I see my Father’s face and in His bosom rest? *Refrain*
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Call to WorshipPsalm 23:1-6Braxton Baker, Assistant Pastor

Leader: The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul.
He leads me in paths of righteousness
for His name's sake.

People: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil,
for You are with me;
Your rod and Your staff,
they comfort me.

Leader: You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
You anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

All: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD
forever.

Song of PraiseO for a Thousand Tongues / And Can It Be

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace.

Jesus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;
’Tis music in the sinner’s ears; ’tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the pow’r of reigning sin; He sets the pris’ner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean; His blood availed for me.

Refrain: Amazing love! how can it be
That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

He speaks, and, listening to His voice, new life the dead receive,
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.

Glory to God, and praise and love be ever, ever giv’n
By saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heaven.
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Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

Call to ConfessionProverbs 3:5-7

Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding.
In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make straight your paths.
Be not wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD, and turn away from evil.

Prayer of Confession

Offer of ForgivenessEphesians 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 RejoicingWhat a Beautiful Name It Is

You were the Word at the beginning, One with God, the Lord Most High.
Your hidden glory in creation, now revealed in You, our Christ.

Refrain: What a beautiful (wonderful) name it is. What a beautiful name it is,
The name of Jesus Christ, my King. What a beautiful name it is.
Nothing compares to this. What a beautiful name it is, the name of Jesus.

You didn’t want heaven without us, so, Jesus, You brought heaven down.
My sin was great; Your love was greater. What could separate us now? *Refrain*

Bridge: Death could not hold You. The veil tore before You.
You silence the boast of sin and grave; the heavens are roaring
The praise of Your glory, for You are raised to life again.
You have no rival; You have no equal.
Now and forever, God, You reign; Yours is the kingdom.
Yours is the glory. Yours is the name above all names.

Refrain: What a powerful name it is. What a powerful name it is,
The name of Jesus Christ, my King. What a powerful name it is.
Nothing can stand against. What a powerful name it is, the name of Jesus.
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Prayers of the PeopleTyler Whitson, elder

Worship: for hearts that are quick to repent (2 Corinthians 7:10)
Community: for business owners and entrepreneurs
Mission: for Sav-A-Life, Shelby County
All Generations: that this new building would be a space where people experience the welcome of Jesus Christ

Reading of the ScriptureRomans 11:25-32 (page 963)

²⁵ Lest you be wise in your own sight, I do not want you to be unaware of this mystery, brothers: a partial hardening has come upon Israel, until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in. ²⁶ And in this way all Israel will be saved, as it is written, “The Deliverer will come from Zion, He will banish ungodliness from Jacob”; ²⁷ “and this will be My covenant with them when I take away their sins.” ²⁸ As regards the gospel, they are enemies for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. ²⁹ For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰ For just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹ so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. ³² For God has consigned all to disobedience, that He may have mercy on all.

Preaching of God's WordNothing but MercyJason Sterling, Senior Pastor

Invitation: Words, Welcome, WarningLuke 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

Distribution of the Elements

Communion HymnThe Lord Is My Salvationarr. Molly Ijames

Closing HymnsGreat Is Thy FaithfulnessTrinity Hymnal No. 32

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not;
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Refrain: Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see:
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided —
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. *Refrain*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! *Refrain*

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

Upcoming at Faith

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

Foundations of Faith: Register through the Faith website for our fall Foundations of Faith class, to be held on October 18, October 25, and November 1.

Faith Women's Hometown Dinners: Registration is now open for a wonderful evening of food and fellowship on October 23 at 6:30.

Fall Break Weekend Schedule: On Sunday, October 11, there will be no Sunday p.m. activities.

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 <i>7th-12th graders</i>	 COLLEGE Room 153 <i>Students, singles, and married couples in their late teens and early 20s</i>	 GENESIS Room 151-152 <i>Singles and couples primarily in their early-mid 20s</i>
 EXODUS Room 169 <i>Singles and couples primarily in their mid 20s–early 30s</i>	 MOSAIC Room 158 <i>Singles and couples primarily in their late 20s–early 30s</i>	 COVENANT Room 134 <i>Parents of young children; singles and couples primarily in their late 20s–30s</i>
 COMMON GROUND Room 133 <i>Parents of elementary-age children; singles and couples primarily in their mid 30s–40s</i>	 CORNERSTONE Room 159 <i>Parents of JrHi-age children; singles and couples primarily in their late 30s–40s</i>	 CROSSROADS Room 157 <i>Parents of SrHi-age children or college students; singles and couples primarily in their mid 40s–50s</i>
 HARVEST Room 170 <i>Parents of adult children; singles and couples primarily in their mid 50s–60s</i>	 SOJOURNERS Room 167 <i>Singles and couples primarily in their mid 60s–70s</i>	 TAPESTRY Room 155 <i>Singles and couples primarily in their late 70s–80s</i>

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.

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