



Faith Presbyterian Church



Order of Worship August 2, 2026
10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

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**The Congregation is Invited to Stand in Body or Spirit*

Prelude “Trumpet Voluntary” by Jeremiah Clarke (1673-1707)
Dan Reed-Trumpet, Jeff Sinley-Trumpet, Karen Martin-French Horn,
Mike Burt-Trombone, and Chuck Stewart-Tuba

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Greg Emery

Opening Prayer Rory Dowse

Call to Worship

Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice! Let your gentle spirit be known to everyone. The Lord is near.

We come to rejoice in God, who fills our lives with grace and steadfast love.

Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and pleading with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God.

And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will guard our hearts and our minds in Christ Jesus.

Have the same mindset as Christ Jesus, who humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death.

Therefore, God exalted Him to the highest place and gave Him the name above every name.

At the name of Jesus, every knee should bow...

And every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Let us worship God!

Special Music “Bach Chorales O Sacred Head”
 “Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light” -JS Bach (1685-1750)

Prayer of Confession

We are called to follow Christ; we are called to a life of humility. But what does that mean? Do we seek to exalt ourselves – to be lifted above others?

No. Does our sense of success depend on someone else's failure? No. Does our love of God entirely guide our relationships? We pray so. Rouse us, Lord, from any sense of complacency and show us where we can face change and opposition with courage. Show us Your ways.

Words of Assurance

Friends, God is at work in you! God is alive in us! God lives – but sin is dead, as our sins are forgiven through Christ, our Savior.

***Gloria Patri**

#579

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.**

***Welcome Wave / Passing of The Peace**

Special Music

“Just a Closer Walk”

Scripture

Philippians 3:12-16, 4:4-9, 2:1-11

Sermon

“Press on, young grasshoppers”

Pastor Greg Emery

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, Who art in Heaven.

Hallowed be Thy Name.

Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done

On earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

For Thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offertory “My Country Tis of Thee” - Thesaurus Musicus, 1744
 “Eternal Father Strong to Save” - John B. Dykes c1861

***Doxology** “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” #592

**Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***Prayer of Dedication**

Gracious God, we bring our gifts to You today with joyful hearts, remembering our partnership in Your good news. You have been so faithful to us. You began a good work in our lives, and we trust You to carry it on to completion.

Please take these tithes and offerings that we pray are acceptable and pleasing to You, and inspire us to use these resources to serve our neighbors and to spread the light of Christ. Amen.

Communion

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give You thanks, O God, ... we join their unending hymn,

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest,
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!**

... as we proclaim the mystery of faith,

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

God's gifts are ready for the people of God.

Please hold the elements until all have been served.

We now take and eat this bread so that we may share in the life of Christ.

We now take and drink this cup so that we may share in the Spirit and presence of Christ.

***Closing Hymn**

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

#281

**Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but Thou art mighty;
Hold me with Thy powerful hand;
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
Feed me till I want no more,
Feed me till I want no more.**

**Open now the crystal fountain,
Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through;
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer,
Be Thou still my strength and shield,
Be Thou still my strength and shield.**

**When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death, and hell's destruction,
Land me safe on Canaan's side;
Songs of praises, songs of praises,
I will ever give to Thee,
I will ever give to Thee.**

***Benediction**

May the peace of God, which goes beyond all human understanding, guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. And may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, now and forevermore. Amen and **Amen.**

***Postlude** “Bread of the World in Mercy Broken” Rory Dowse, Music Director

Welcome Visitors! Faith Presbyterian Church welcomes you. Everyone is invited to Illingworth Hall for fellowship following the service.

Our thanks to Dan Reed-Trumpet, Jeff Sinley-Trumpet, Karen Martin-French Horn, Mike Burt-Trombone, and Chuck Stewart-Tuba, and Rory Dowse, Music Director, for the beautiful music in worship this morning.

We will hold update meetings on the Faith Vision project at these times: Sunday, August 9 at 9:30 AM and Thursday, August 13 at 4:30 PM, both in Illingworth Hall (same agenda, two different times for your convenience).

This is especially important for those of you who are relatively new to Faith and have not had the benefit of seeing the process unfold, and for those of you who have not contributed to the capital campaign for the project.

We will also offer a Zoom option for out-of-towners (snowbirds) at 1:00 PM (AZ time) on Wednesday, August 12. Meeting ID is 532 292 1147, no password required.

Wednesday, August 19, 2026, Bob Hatcher - Celebration of Life will be held in the Sanctuary at 11:00am. Obituary link in the Thursday email blast.

Monday, August 3, 2026, Men’s Fellowship (Darts) Bell Rec Center at 1:30pm.

Wednesday, August 5, 2026, - Forward in Faith and “Morning Musings” at 10:00am in Westminster Room.

Hand & Foot will be meeting all summer on the second Wednesdays at 12:00pm in the Iona Room. All are invited.

Contact information for: Rev. Anne Emery, Honorably Retired
contact information is in the church directory.

Please prayerfully consider your contribution to the capital campaign for our vision of The Faith Center. If you did not receive a mailing, please let us know. Be sure to contact Vern Meury or Pastor Greg to discuss the various ways to give.



“Morning Grasshopper Musings”

Welcome!

Welcome to those who have no church home, need strength, have doubt, want to follow Christ, or do not believe. Welcome to those who have worshiped in this place for years! Welcome to our first-time guests! Welcome to all generations, single people, couples, believers, and to questioners, and, of course, to questioning believers! We hope you find peace and uplift in our worship today.

We are very glad you are here!

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FAITH CHURCH

"If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, great things are possible." (Matthew 17:20)

That is our theme. It plays out this way: we are big enough to flourish, but small enough to be personal; caring for the world & community, but above politics; take the Word seriously, but ourselves not so much.

Our pastor, elders, deacons and members are here for you.