



# **Faith Presbyterian Church**



**Order of Worship August 9, 2026**  
**10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary**

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**THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP**  
**August 9, 2026 – 10:00am**

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

**Prelude**            “There Is a Balm in Gilead”, “This Is My Father’s World”,  
                                 “We Gather Together”

Rory Dowse, Music Director

**Welcome and Announcements**

Pastor Greg Emery

**Opening Prayer**

Rory Dowse

**Call to Worship**

God has saved us by grace, making us one family through Jesus Christ.

**We come together to praise the Lord, who opens our hearts and guides our steps.**

By His Holy Spirit, He directs our paths, calling us to share His good news in every place.

**Even in the darkest night, our hearts will sing praises and give thanks to God.**

Come, let us worship the living God with joy and gladness!

**Hymn**

“It Is Well With My Soul”

**When peace like a river, attendeth my way  
When sorrows like sea billows roll  
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say  
It is well, it is well, with my soul**

**[Refrain]**

**It is well (it is well)  
With my soul (with my soul)  
It is well, it is well with my soul**

**Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come  
Let this blest assurance control  
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate  
And hath shed His own blood for my soul [Refrain]**

**My sin, oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!  
My sin, not in part but the whole  
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, o my soul!**

**It is well (it is well)  
With my soul (with my soul)  
It is well, it is well with my soul  
It is well (it is well)  
With my soul (with my soul)  
It is well, it is well with my soul.**

### **Prayer of Confession**

**Merciful God, we come before You acknowledging our faults and failures.  
You saved us by the free gift of Your grace, yet we often try to add rules  
and conditions to Your love, judging those who are different from us.**

**Forgive us, Lord, for our stubborn pride that breaks our fellowship with one  
another. Forgive us for the times we have ignored the nudging of Your  
Holy Spirit, holding tightly to our own plans instead of walking where You  
lead. Cleanse our hearts, heal our divisions, and renew a right spirit within  
us, through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

### **Words of Assurance**

**Hear the good news from God's Word: In Christ, God has not placed a heavy  
yoke of judgment on your shoulders, but has opened the door wide to His mercy.  
If you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, your sins are washed away, your past is  
undone, and you are welcomed into His family with joy. Rest in His grace; you  
are forgiven and set free.**

**\*Gloria Patri**

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**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**                    “If Ye Love Me” by Thomas Tallis (c. 1505–1585)  
Priscilla Hoskins, Jean Flower, Ray Mahoney, Alan Conover, and  
Rory Dowse, Music Director

**Scripture**                    Selected Acts 15 & 16

**Sermon**                    “Welcome, Timothy, but first ...”                    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**

**\*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 thank You for saving us by grace alone, for opening our hearts like You opened Lydia's, and for guiding our steps by Your Holy Spirit. Please bless these tithes and offerings to fund the spread of Your good news to new communities just as You directed Paul and his companions.

**\*Closing Hymn**

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

Lord, the light of your love is shining  
In the midst of the darkness, shining  
Jesus, Light of the world, shine up on us  
Set us free by the truth you now bring us  
Shine on me, shine on me

**[Refrain]**

Shine, Jesus, shine  
Fill this land with the Father’s glory  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze  
Set our hearts on fire  
Flow, Jesus, flow  
Flood the nations with grace and mercy  
Send forth your word  
Lord, and let there be light

Lord, I come to your awesome presence  
From the shadows into your radiance  
By the blood I may enter your brightness  
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness  
Shine on me, shine on me [Refrain]

As we gaze on your kingly brightness  
So our faces display your likeness  
Ever changing from glory to glory  
Mirrored here may our lives tell your story  
Shine on me, shine on me [Refrain]

**\*Benediction**

May the Holy Spirit give you songs in the darkest night and open doors in unexpected places. Go forth in joy and peace, knowing the Lord goes before you to open hearts and build His kingdom. Amen and **Amen**.

**\*Postlude**

“Eternal Father, Strong To Save”

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** Priscilla Hoskins, Jean Flower, Ray Mahoney, Alan Conover, and Rory Dowse, Music Director, for the beautiful music in worship this morning.

**The next update meeting on the Faith Vision project is Thursday, August 13, 2026, at 4:30 PM, in Illingworth Hall (same agenda, as the Sunday meeting).**

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.**

**Ann Manus passed on Friday, July 31, 2026**, sister to Pat Green. Ann's memorial service will be Saturday, August 22, 2026, at 10:00am in the Chapel. Our prayers go out to Pat and David Green and their family.

**Steve Fribley passed peacefully Tuesday, August 4, 2026**, with his children in town. Our prayers go out to his family and to Carole Bentley, his dear friend.

**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 and in the August Mustard Seed.

**Monday, August 10, 2026, Men's Fellowship (Billiards) Bell Rec Center at 1:30pm.**

**Wednesday, August 12, 2026, - Forward in Faith and "Morning Musings" at 10:00am in Westminster Room.**

**Wednesday, August 12, 2026, - Hand & Foot in the Iona Room at 12:00noon.** All are invited.

**Little Dinner Groups!** October – December. Singles and couples are welcome to enjoy a meal once a month for 3 months with friends, old and new, in groups of 6-8. Contact Laurie Cathey at (623) 238-3826 or [spkplg1941@hotmail.com](mailto:spkplg1941@hotmail.com).

**Contact information for: Rev. Anne Emery, Honorably Retired**  
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**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.**



**"NAME DROPPING"**  
SUMMER SINGALONG  
THURSDAY 13 AUGUST  
**5:30 TO 7:30**  
ILLINGWORTH HALL  
BRING A SNACK TO SHARE IF YOU WISH

Kim  
John  
Rebecca  
Michelle  
Dave  
Chris

**August 13, 2026**  
**Faith Vision Project**  
**update at 4:30pm. in**  
**Illingworth. Stay for**  
**the Singalong.**

Note the time...  
If you want to eat  
first, 5:30pm is a  
good time to arrive.

Program begins at  
6:00pm promptly.

**"Morning 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!*

## PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor Greg Emery – [greg@scfaith.org](mailto:greg@scfaith.org)

## MINISTERS All Members

## WELCOMING TEAM

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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.