



Faith Presbyterian Church



Order of Worship November 1, 2026

10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

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THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP
November 1, 2026 – 10:00am

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

Prelude

“At Calvary”
“Deep River”
“Battle Hymn of the Republic”

Rory Dowse, Music Director

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Greg Emery

Opening Prayer

Rory Dowse

Call to Worship

Love never gives up.

Love cares more for others than for self.

Love doesn't want what it doesn't have.

Love doesn't strut,

Doesn't have a swelled head,

Doesn't force itself on others,

Love is never “me first,”

Doesn't fly off the handle,

Doesn't keep score of the sins of others,

Doesn't revel when others grovel,

Love takes pleasure in the flowering of truth,

Puts up with anything,

Trusts God always,

Love always looks for the best,

Never looks back,

But keeps going to the end.

Love never dies.

Hymn

“Hymn of Promise”

**In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree;
In cocoons, a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be,**

Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.
There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody;
There's a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity;
In our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity,
In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

Prayer of Confession

Lord, Your word says love is patient and kind. But we confess the times when we have been impatient and unkind.

Your word says that love is not rude, and that it is not self-seeking. But we confess that in many ways we have been inconsiderate of those around us, thinking only of ourselves.

Your word tells us that love is not easily angered, and that it keeps no record of wrongs. But we confess how quickly we fly off the handle, and how carefully we keep score when we have been wronged.

Help us, Lord, not to take pleasure in what is evil, but to always rejoice in the truth of Your love. Protect us with Your love, Lord, and help us to choose the way of trusting You, putting our hope in You, and persevering in Your ways, knowing that love never fails, and that You never fail. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Dearest brothers and sisters, listen to the promise of God's unfailing love. Though our own love often feels shallow, impatient, and we keep-score, the One who was rejected for us does not count our sins against us.

In Christ, His perfect love covers our failings. Hear the good news: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. **Praise be to God!**

***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 Music

Rachmaninov: Prelude in D major, Op. 23 No. 4

“Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it.”
Song of Songs 8:7

Rory Dowse, Music Director

Scripture

1 Corinthians 13: 1-13

Sermon

“Luther, Calvin ... Knox, Wesley ... next?”

Pastor Greg Emery

Offertory

***Doxology**

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

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**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**

Abiding in Faith, Hope, and Love: As faith, hope, and love remain—and the greatest of these is love—let these gifts go forth to build up Your kingdom, enduring long after worldly things pass away, in the name of the Redeemer, 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.

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.

***Closing Hymn**

"Rejoice, The Lord is King"

Verses 1,2, & 4

**Rejoice, the Lord is King:
Your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks and sing,
And triumph evermore.
Lift up your heart,
Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!**

**Jesus, the Savior, reigns,
The God of truth and love;
When He has purged our stains,
He took his seat above;
Lift up your heart,
Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!**

**Rejoice in glorious hope!
Our Lord and judge shall come
And take His servants up
To their eternal home:
Lift up your heart,
Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!**

***Benediction**

As you leave this place, may you be filled with God's patience, walk in His kindness, and let His unfailing love lead your steps. May you trust steadily, hope unswervingly, and love extravagantly. And may the God of peace go with you now and always. Amen and **Amen**.

"brief fellowship time in the narthex"

Welcome Visitors! Faith Presbyterian Church welcomes you.

All Saints of Remembrance

Baldwin	Mike	11/3/2025	Deacon
Mitchell	Bob	12/2/2025	Elder
Haskell	Betty	2/11/2026	
Walker	Karen	3/13/2026	Deacon
Branson	Irene	3/19/2026	
Rogers	Elsie	3/19/2026	
Westbrook	Jeep	4/8/2026	
Rice	Tal	4/29/2026	Elder
Sipes	Jay	5/20/2026	
Currier	Joyce	6/18/2026	Deacon/Elder
Edris	Earl	6/22/2026	
Mitchell	Sara	7/1/2026	Elder
Hatcher	Bob	7/3/2026	Deacon
Oliver	Dottie	7/7/2026	Friend
Manus	Ann	7/31/2026	Deacon
Fribley	Steve	8/4/2026	Deacon/Elder
Liem	Sue	8/5/2026	Friend
Sheetz	John	9/3/2026	

Our thanks to Rory Dowse, Music Director, for the beautiful music in worship this morning.

Today “Town Hall” meeting November 1, 2026, after service at 11:10am - Sanctuary.

Monday, November 2, 2026, Men’s Fellowship (Darts) Bell Rec Center at 1:30pm.

Choir Rehearsal – November 5, 2026, at 2:00pm in the Choir Room. Everyone welcome!

Saturday, November 7, 2026, Celebration of Life for Mary Chmura (Godmother to MaryJo Steger) at 11:00am in the Sanctuary. Lunch to follow in Council/Iona Room.

New Member Sunday will be Sunday, November 8, 2026.

Free Painting Class (almost full) – Friday, November 13, 2026, in the Council Room at 10:00am.

Pastor Greg mentioned that there is a recently released four-part series entitled "Christianity at a Crossroads", a film by Martin Doblmeier, which aired on PBS. It is available on YouTube by simply searching for the name of the series. Though it is rather far-reaching, many aspects of the program are important for our congregation to see and understand. Please take the time to view.

Clothing Donations for W.H.E.A.T. - Ladies, this is the month to start bringing in your clothing donations for W.H.E.A.T.! You may drop off your donations at the reception area in the church office. We are collecting gently used or new women's clothing, along with new undergarments. Your generous donations help support W.H.E.A.T. and its mission of providing clothing, mentoring, and training to women entering or re-entering the workforce. We are excited to welcome W.H.E.A.T. to our **November Ladies Luncheon on Thursday, November 19, 2026!** They will also bring a wonderful selection of handmade items from The Fair Trade Store, offering a great opportunity to shop while supporting artisans from around the world. Thank you for your continued generosity and support of our missions. Together, we can make a difference!

NEWS FLASH! Hand and Foot is now offered twice a month on the first and second Wednesdays! Join friends for an afternoon of fun, conversation, and light refreshments. **When?** Wednesday, November 4 and 11. **Where?** Iona Room. **What time?** 12 – 3 p.m. **Cost to play:** \$0.50/person. Prizes awarded! **Questions?** Call **Gerri Crothers**, or **Nancy Stockton**, **contact information is in the church directory.**

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.

JOIN US FOR

THANKSGIVING SINGALONG

"GOD'S THUMBPRINTS"

TUESDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2026

5:30-7:30

FAITH'S ILLINGWORTH HALL

SNACKS TO SHARE WELCOME

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

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GREETERS Diana Pomeroy

WELCOME CENTER Kris King &
Georgia Sherman

GOLF CART Kerry King

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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.