



Faith Presbyterian Church



Order of Worship October 4, 2026
10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

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THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP
October 4, 2026 – 10:00am

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

Prelude

“Let Us Break Bread Together”
“Fairest Lord Jesus”
“Faith of Our Fathers”

Rory Dowse, Music Director

Minute for Mission

Ann Kennaly, Thursdays@Faith – blanket drive

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Greg Emery

Opening Prayer

Rory Dowse

Call to Worship

Good Teacher, what must we do to inherit eternal life?

We look to the one who is good, seeking the way of truth and love.

Jesus looks upon us with love and invites us to let go of what holds us back.

He calls us to lay down our treasures of earth and follow Him.

What is impossible for human strength is possible with God.

With joyful and open hearts, let us worship our God! Alleluia!

Special

“Wonderful Peace”

Jean Flower & Rory Dowse

Prayer of Confession

Like the rich man who came to Jesus, we ask what it takes to inherit eternal life, yet we turn away in sorrow when Your way asks too much of our comfort, our security, and our possessions. We confess that it is easy to claim we follow You, but much harder to let go of the things that separate us from Your radical love.

Forgive us for our fear of emptiness, our attachment to control, and our reluctance to give freely. Lord, have mercy on us. Pierce our hardened hearts, loosen our grip on the world, and make us a people who trust in Your abundant grace rather than our own security.

Words of Assurance

Hear the good news of the Gospel: When the disciples asked, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for all things are possible with God."

When we come with our empty hands, recognizing our failures, our self-reliance, and our inability to save ourselves, Christ meets us with mercy. He invites us out of our bondage to worldly securities and into the freedom of His kingdom.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, released from our heavy burdens, and welcomed as children at the table of communion. Thanks 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**

Choir "Forward By Faith"

Scripture Mark 10: 17-31

Sermon "The Sphere" (not the Las Vegas one) 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”

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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

Gracious God, as we bring our gifts to Your altar today, we remember the rich ruler who walked away sad because he held too tightly to his earthly wealth. Forgive us when we let possessions or fears master our hearts. Free us from the illusion that we can earn or buy our way into Your grace. Bless these tithes and offerings. Use them to break the chains of poverty, to comfort the hurting, and to build up Your kingdom. Give us open hands and trusting spirits, that we might not only give our money, but truly follow Jesus with our whole lives. In His holy name, we pray.

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**

“I Surrender All”

**All to Jesus I surrender,
All to Him I freely give;
I will ever love and trust Him,
In His presence daily live.**

[Refrain]

**I surrender all, I surrender all;
All to Thee, my blessed Savior,
I surrender all.**

**All to Jesus I surrender,
Make me, Savior, wholly Thine;
Let me feel Thy Holy Spirit,
Truly know that Thou art mine. [Refrain]**

**All to Jesus I surrender,
Lord, I give myself to Thee;
Fill me with Thy love and power,
Let Thy blessing fall on me. [Refrain]**

***Benediction**

Go forth into the world with courage, remembering that what is impossible for mortals is possible with God. May you look upon the world with the radical love of Christ, letting go of the heavy burdens that weigh down your spirit. And may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the boundless love of God, and the fellowship of the Spirit surround you, holding you a hundredfold in community, now and forevermore. Amen and **Amen**.

***Postlude**

“Trust and Obey”

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 Choir, Jean Flower and Rory Dowse, Music Director, for the beautiful music in worship this morning.

Flower bouquet 1 is given to the glory of God by The Family of Carol Preston in loving memory of our mom Carol Preston.

Flower bouquet 2 is given to the glory of God by Gerri Crothers in loving memory of my sister Carol Preston.

Congregational Election meeting is scheduled after worship on October 18, 2026.

Monday, October 5, 2026, Men's Fellowship (Billiards) Bell Rec Center at 1:30pm.

Wednesday, October 7, 2026, Forward in Faith/Morning Musings at 10:00 am in Westminster.

Choir Rehearsal – October 8, 2026, at 2:00pm in the Choir Room. Everyone welcome!

Thoughtful Thursdays – October 8, 2026, Medicare: What's New & What Are Your Opportunities? If you have any questions, contact Joanna Conde'.

Yarn Angels on October 5, will go back to winter hours from 12:00-3:00pm in the Iona Room.

Yee-haw! Don your western gear! LONE MOUNTAIN BAND gets the first Thursday @ Faith event of the season off to a boot-scootin' start on October 22. This kick-off event will again emphasize Faith's commitment to mission. You are invited to participate in a **BLANKET DRIVE** for the families of **St. Peter's Indian Mission School** in Bapchule, AZ. Please bring new or gently used blankets of any size to the church on October 11, 18, or the night of the concert. **Thank you warmly!!** T@F tickets are on sale in the Narthex on October 11 and 18. Deadline for purchase is noon Monday, October 19, 2026.

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

Book Club will meet Monday, October 12, 2026, at 10:00am to enjoy the book, “Theo of Golden” by Allen Levi; discussion leader is Pamela Kohlhaus.

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.

Your Spherical 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.