

Faith Presbyterian Church

Order of Worship November 15, 2026

10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

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THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP
November 15, 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 Pastor Greg Emery

Call to Worship

We gather together in the name of Jesus Christ—
members of God's family,
and brothers and sisters to one another.
There are no outsiders here among us,
no one has any special standing or bragging rights.
For we have been brought together by the redeeming love of Jesus.
Let's join together in worship!

Hymn "God of Grace and God of Glory" #420

God of grace and God of glory,
on Thy people pour Thy power;
crown Thine ancient church's story,
bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us
scorn Thy Christ, assail His ways!
From the fears that long have bound us,
free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,

for the living of these days,
for the living of these days.

Set our feet on lofty places;
gird our lives, that they may be
armored with all Christ-like graces
Pledged to set all captives free.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
that we fail not them nor Thee!
That we fail not them nor Thee!

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we celebrate that You chose to bring unity and peace through Jesus Christ, who broke down walls of hostility. Yet we confess that we still build barriers of division, prejudice, and fear rather than embracing one another as Your children.

Forgive us when we prefer the comfort of our own circles over the reconciliation Christ accomplished on the cross. We confess that anxiety and self-protection often close our hearts to the stranger in our midst. Renew us by Your grace, tear down our walls, and bind us together by Your Spirit into a welcoming household of peace.

Words of Assurance

"For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast."

Hear and receive this good news: In Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are not saved by your own effort, but by the boundless grace of God. Rest in His peace and walk in the good works He has prepared for you.

***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**

Choir Anthem "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring"
Rong Lecchesi and Rory Dowse, Music Director

Scripture Ephesians 2

Sermon "You are no longer strangers" (Méros déftero) 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**

Because we are Your workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, we return a portion of what You have first entrusted to us. Bless these tithes and offerings, and bless the hands that gave them. Use them to proclaim Your peace, build up Your church, and accomplish the good works You have prepared for us to explore.

***Closing Hymn** "Soldiers of Christ Arise"

Soldiers of Christ, arise,
and put your armor on,
strong in the strength which God supplies
thro' His eternal Son;
strong in the Lord of hosts
and in His mighty power,
who in the strength of Jesus trusts
is more than conqueror.

Stand then in His great might,
with all His strength endued,
and take, to aid you in the fight,
the panoply of God.
From strength to strength go on,
wrestle and fight and pray;
tread all the powers of darkness down
and win the well-fought day.

Leave no unguarded place,
no weakness of the soul;
take every virtue, every grace,
and fortify the whole.
That, having all things done
and all your conflicts past,
ye may overcome thro' Christ alone
and stand complete at last.

***Benediction**

As you leave this place, remember that you are no longer strangers or outsiders, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of God's own household, built upon the foundation of Christ Jesus the cornerstone.

Now go in peace, joined together by the Spirit, to love and serve the world in the confidence of His grace. Amen and **Amen**.

***Postlude** "Take My Life, and Let It" 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 Faith Choir, Rong Lecchesi and Rory Dowse, Music Director, for the beautiful music in worship this morning.

Next Sunday, November 22, 2026, Cowboy/Cowgirl Sunday. Wear your gear!

Sunday, November 15, 2026, Quilt Group & Yarn Angels Craft Sale after church in Illingworth Hall. More details in the November Mustard Seed.

Monday, November 16, 2026, Men's Fellowship (Billiards) Bell Rec Center at 1:30pm.

Tuesday, November 17, 2026, Thanksgiving Singalong at 5:30pm – Illingworth Hall

Choir Rehearsal – November 19, 2026, at 2:00pm in the Choir Room. Everyone welcome!

Faith Church,
On behalf of Mary Chmura's family, John and I want to thank you from the bottom of our hearts for the prayers, cards, and warm hospitality shown to us during the celebration of life and reception. A special thank you to Pastor Greg presiding even when you're not feeling well, Gretchen the music was beautiful, Bill and Paul for your sound support. Deacons you all are amazing people ready to serve in any way. Your love and support reminded us of God's grace when we needed it the most.
God bless you all, MaryJo & John/The Family of Mary Chmura

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.

A new flag is flying for the next 3 months in honoring Susan Edwards grandson, Capt. Ian Russell as he continues his career as a military lawyer. Thank you.

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!

Deadline for December Mustard Seed is Friday, November 20, 2026. Please submit information to MaryJo at office@scfaith.org. Thank you.

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.

Wednesday, 10:00 AM



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.