

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 2, 2026
10:00AM

Welcome and News of our Church Family

Minute for Mission

Prelude *Church In the Wildwood*
Stephen Sivley, Piano

† Call to Worship: Carol Mebane, Liturgist
L: God continues to do amazing things!
A: God continues to be faithful to all generations.
L: God is doing a new thing.
A: New things are springing up.
L: Making a way through the wilderness.
A: So that all creation may declare God's praise.

† Opening Hymn 420 *God of Grace and God of Glory*

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)
Gracious and ever-faithful God, we like things the way they are. We love our routines and find comfort in what is familiar. Yet you are always at work, calling your people into deeper faith and new expressions of your grace. Too often we resist your leading. We hold tightly to our own preferences instead of trusting your wisdom. Forgive us when fear keeps us from following where you lead. Open our hearts to your Spirit. Give us the courage to embrace your will, the humility to love one another, and the faith to trust that your purposes are always good. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Prayer

† Prayer Response *Open the Eyes of My Heart (Chorus)*

Assurance of Pardon

Passing the Peace

Time for Little Presbyterians

Centering Song *Open the Eyes of My Heart*

First Scripture Lesson Isaiah 43:18–21

Anthem *Worthy of Worship*
Mark Blankenship
Stephen Sivley and Leah McKinney

Second Scripture Lesson Hebrews 10:19-25

Sermon “Together” Dr. Bowe

Second Hymn 421 *The Church of Christ in Every Age*

Communion

Offering

† Doxology Hymn 592 *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

Prayer of Dedication

† Affirmation of Faith: Adapted From the Confession of 1967
We believe that the life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ have set the pattern for the Church's mission. Therefore, to live and to serve is to confess Christ as Lord. The forms of the Church may change as its mission requires in different times and places, but the Church remains one in Jesus Christ. We gather to praise God, to hear God's Word, to celebrate the Sacraments, to pray for the world, and to be strengthened for service. Then we are sent into the world to bear witness to the love of Christ in word and deed. To the glory of God, we commit ourselves anew to Christ's mission in the world. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

† Closing Hymn *O Church, Arise*

† Benediction

Postlude *A New Name Written Down In Glory*
Improv. Sivley, Piano

† You are invited to stand.



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WELCOME TO WORSHIP. Would you like to know more about the life and ministry of Faith Presbyterian Church? We invite you to scan the QR code or go to our website <https://presby.org/worship-contact/> to submit a form requesting information.



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Regular Sunday School will resume at 9AM on August 9, 2026.

Rally Day for Children’s Sunday School will be on Sunday, August 23, 2026.

Childcare will be available in Room #120 at 9AM on Sundays.

Thursday Morning Bible Studies:

Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study is taking a break until August 20th.

Men’s Bible Study at 11:00AM-Noon in the Parlor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



A big THANK YOU to everyone who brought canned peas and green beans during July. **The Items of the Month for August are canned carrots and mixed vegetables.** They will go into the Elderly Mission Project (EMP) boxes which volunteers pack and deliver each month to seniors who need additional food toward the end of the month. There is a basket in the narthex for your donations. You are making a difference!

We are beginning a much-needed update to our church directory, and we need everyone to schedule a time for a new family photo. Henry Norton has graciously volunteered to take the photos on the following Sundays from 11:10AM to 12:10PM: July 26, August 2, August 9, and August 16. Steve Solley has agreed to coordinate the schedule and will be calling families soon to arrange appointments. However, you can get a head start by choosing your preferred date and time now. To schedule your family's photo, please call Steve Solley. Thank you for helping us create an updated directory that reflects our wonderful church family!

There will be a Mission Committee Meeting today following worship. Anyone interested is welcome to attend.

The 2026 Nominating Committee will place the following names in nomination for the 2027 Nominating Committee:

Joel Robinson
Anna Norton
Allison Cole
Jean Sturmfels
Bob Captain
Jim Duncan
Bob Nicholson

The floor will be open for additional nominations, but please secure the agreement of the nominee before making the nomination.

The Women's Bible Study is taking a break until August 20th. Beginning on August 20th they will be studying the Gospel of John using the book, *N. T. Wright for Everyone Bible Study Guide*. **Please let the church office know by August 9th if you want a book. All women are invited – bring a friend!**



The Men's Bible Study is continuing the study of the New Testament. All who are interested are invited.

Faith Presbyterian Church

Welcome to Worship



Engage, Nurture, Bless

*Faith Presbyterian Church wishes to **engage** the community with meaningful worship, to **nurture** this wonderful community with lasting discipleship and warm fellowship, and to **bless** the larger world with an amazing heart for mission.*

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Dr. Michael Bowe, Pastor

Stephen Sivley, Director of Music Ministry

Dr. Beth Cape, Director of Evangelism

Clara Reed-Lee, Director of Christian Education

Cheryl Adams, Preschool Director

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