

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

July 19, 2026
10:00AM

Welcome and News of our Church Family

Prelude *God of Grace and Glory*
Linda Webster, Piano, Stephen Sivley, Organ

† Call to Worship: Keith Bucher Liturgist
L: The mystery of God is deeper than our understanding and greater than our imagination.
A: Yet God invites us to come and seek.
L: God is the refiner who purifies, the builder who tests, and the Savior who restores.
A: We embrace the mystery of God's judgment and the wonder of God's grace.

† Opening Hymn 443 *O Christ, the Great Foundation*

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)
Eternal God, we have erred. We think we have things figured out. We are often quick to speak where we should be slow to listen, certain where we should be humble, and confident in our own understanding rather than trusting Your wisdom. Forgive us for the ways we have resisted Your refining work. We confess that we cling to what is comfortable instead of allowing You to shape us into the people You created us to be. Purify our hearts, O Lord. Burn away all that keeps us from loving You and loving our neighbors. Give us courage to welcome Your transforming grace, trusting that Your work in us is always faithful and good. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Assurance of Pardon

Hymn 579 *Glory Be To the Father*

Passing the Peace

Time for Little Presbyterians

Prayer of Illumination

First Scripture Lesson Malachi 3:1–3

Anthem *Not I, But Christ*
Stephen Sivley and Leah McKinney
Mac Lynch, Arr. Sivley

Second Scripture Lesson 1 Corinthians 3:10–15

Sermon “Judgement or Refinement?” Dr. Bowe

Second Hymn 379 *My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less*

Offering and Prayer of Dedication

Doxology *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

† Affirmation of Faith:
L: How are you righteous before God?
A: Only by true faith in Jesus Christ. Even though my conscience accuses me of having grievously sinned against all God's commandments and of never having kept any of them, and even though I am still inclined toward all evil, nevertheless, without my deserving it at all, out of sheer grace, God grants and credits to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ, as if I had never sinned nor been a sinner, as if I had been as perfectly obedient as Christ was obedient for me. All I need to do is to accept this gift of God with a believing heart. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

† Closing Hymn 414 *As Those of Old Their First Fruits Brought*

† Benediction

Postlude *His Matchless Worth*
Arr. Norman Johnson, Sivley, Organ

† 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.



Regular Sunday School will resume at 9AM on August 9th. Rally Day for Children’s Sunday School will be on Sunday, August 16, 2026.

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

Thursday Morning Bible Studies:
The Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study is taking a break until August 20th.
Men’s Bible Study meets at 11:00AM-Noon in the Parlor.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Faith is continuing a Faith Forum style adult Sunday School class at 9:00AM in the Sanctuary followed by one worship service at 10:00AM in the Sanctuary. The book that Dr. Bowe is using to lead discussion is *Erasing Hell* by Francis Chan and Preston Sprinkle.

The **Items of the Month for July** are **canned peas and green beans**. They 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. Your help is greatly appreciated!



Help students start the school year equipped! We are collecting school supplies for Whitesburg Elementary School (some are name brand) and for ANVOO (Alabama Non-violent Offenders Organization). The lists are on the table in the narthex. Take advantage of the tax-free weekend that ends at midnight tonight and choose from the lists on the table in the bulletin. **Donations need to be at church by July 26.** Containers are in the Narthex.

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for July 26th at 9:45AM in the Sanctuary for the purpose of hearing a report from the nominating committee for nomination to the Nominating Committee for 2026-2027.



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 a book, *N. T. Wright for Everyone Bible Study Guide*. **Please let the church office know by August 9th if you want a book.**

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

The Community Free clinic does not need any pill bottles right now – please do NOT bring them to the church until they are needed again.

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 12:10 PM: 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!

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Welcome to Worship



Gustave Dore: The Last Judgment 1865

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

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