

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 9, 2026
10:00AM

Welcome and News of our Church Family

Prelude *Wondrous Love*
Stephen Sivley, Piano

† Call to Worship: Michael Bowe, Liturgist
L: Our hope is in the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.
A: God is our refuge and our strength, an ever-present help in times of trouble.
L: When our hearts are weary, God restores our souls.
A: When our spirits are broken, God renews our hope.
L: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases.
A: God's mercies are new every morning.

† Opening Songs *Speak O Lord*
By Faith

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)
Merciful God, you are amazing. You give us everything we need. But, too often we have searched for life in places that cannot satisfy, trusted in our own strength instead of your grace, and allowed sin to shape our choices more than your Spirit. We have wounded others by what we have done and by what we have left undone. Yet you are the God who redeems, restores, and makes all things new. Forgive us, O Lord. Break the chains that bind us. Restore what sin has broken. Renew us by your Holy Spirit, that we may walk in the freedom of Christ and become instruments of hope for a world. We pray in the name of our Redeemer and Restorer. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Assurance of Pardon

† Hymn 579 *Glory Be To the Father*

Passing of the Peace

Time for Little Presbyterians

Little Presbyterian Litany
A: We are children of God, sealed by the Holy Spirit, and marked as Christ’s forever. Nothing anyone ever says or does can make that not true.

Prayer of Illumination

First Scripture Lesson Psalm 85:8-13

Anthem *For the Sake of His Name*
By Chris Anderson and Greg Habegger
Arr. Dan Forrest
Stephen Sivley and Leah McKinney

Second Scripture Lesson Matthew 14:22-33

Sermon “How to Be A Hero” Tom Reynolds

† Hymn 384 *O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go*

Offering

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

Prayer of Dedication

† Affirmation of Faith: The Apostle’s Creed
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

† Closing Hymn 339 *Be Thou My Vision*

† Benediction

Postlude *Praise His Greatness*
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 classes resumed today.

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

Childcare is 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 today and August 16th from 11:10AM to 12:10PM. Steve Solley has agreed to coordinate the schedule and has been calling families to arrange appointments. However, you can help 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!

4th Sunday Lunch in the Fellowship Hall begins on Sunday, August 23, 2026 after 10AM Worship. Faith members are asked to bring sides and desserts! Fried and baked chicken and drinks will be provided.



Faith Rededication celebrating 50 years! Faith will celebrate 50 years of worshipping together by recreating the planting of the oak tree in the courtyard on September 6th following worship.

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

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

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