

God's People Gather to Worship

8:30AM Faith In the Morning

Welcome and News of our Church Family Dr. Michael Bowe

Call to Worship Dr. Michael Bowe

† Opening Songs *Here I Am to Worship*
10,000 Reasons

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Silent Prayer

Assurance of Pardon

Passing of the Peace

Time for Little Presbyterians

Centering Song *What A Friend We Have In Jesus*

First Scripture Lesson Malachi 3:6-12

Centering Song *What A Friend We Have In Jesus*

Second Scripture Lesson Matthew 23:23

Sermon “Sermons That I Hate: I Am A Thief” Dr. Michael Bowe

Communion

Special Music *Untitled Hymn (Come to Jesus)*

† Offering/Prayer of Dedication

† Affirmation of Faith

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

† Closing Song *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

† Benediction

† Those who are able may stand.

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10:30AM Traditional Worship

Welcome and News of our Church Family

Prelude *Softly and Tenderly*
Improv Stephen Sivley, Piano

Introit *Lead Me, Lord*
Samuel Wesley, Sanctuary Choir

Call to Worship: John Haley Liturgist

L: God of abundance, you provide every good thing!

A: In gratitude we thank you.

L: Loving Christ, you bear our forgiveness to us with wounded hands and a generous heart.

A: In gratitude we praise you.

L: Holy Spirit, you fill us with your love and courage, your deep desire for justice and mercy.

A: In gratitude we serve you with our whole lives, we worship you. Alleluia!

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

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession:

Gentle God, trusting in your tender mercy, we confess our sin to you with one another. We confess that we forget you. We get so concerned with our own comfort that we forget you. We are so attached to our own will that we forget yours. We are so aware of our need, we forget our calling. Bring us back to mindfulness, God. Forgive us, and be generous with your grace. Heal our hearts, restore your Spirit in us, and re-create us in your image. Awaken us to your gifts in us, that we might live by them with trust and courage. Lord, have mercy on us, and grant us your peace. Amen

Silent Prayer

Assurance of Pardon

† Congregational Response Hymn 579 *Glory Be To The Father*

Passing of the Peace

Time for Little Presbyterians

Prayer of Illumination

First Scripture Lesson Malachi 3:6-12

Anthem *Holy Spirit, Truth Divine*
Lloyd Larson, Sanctuary Choir

Second Scripture Lesson

Matthew 23:23

Sermon “Sermons That I Hate: I Am A Thief” Dr. Michael Bowe

† Second Hymn 101 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

Communion

Presentation of our Gifts, Tithes, and Offerings

† Doxology *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

† Prayer of Dedication

† Affirmation of Faith: (Apostles' 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 Spirit, 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 Spirit; 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 Lord's Prayer

† Closing Hymn 276 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

† Benediction

Congregational Response *Chorus to Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

Postlude *Give Me Jesus*
Improv Sivley, Piano

† Those who are able may stand.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP. We are delighted that you joined us this morning. We encourage families with children to sit near the front. Childcare is provided for children ages 4 and under throughout the service in Room 120.

Hearing Aids Available – We provide hearing aids for the service. An usher will be happy to assist you.

Are you visiting? Welcome! 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.





The Faith congregation is generous and faithful! You provided many boxes of cereal and packets of oatmeal as Items of the Month in August to replenish the pantry. That saves mission-budget money for other food that Lynn Bucher buys to go into the boxes which are distributed monthly by Faith volunteers to seniors who need extra food toward the end of the month. Lynn's husband, Keith, says when they shop they sometimes have to tell a curious fellow shopper that they don't have that many children! All this is part of the Elderly Mission Project. The **Item of the Month for September is canned chicken**. There are baskets in the narthex and Fellowship Hall for your donations. Thank you for helping!

The fall session of the **ESL Handbell Group** will begin on Thursday, September 19, at 11:20AM in the Sanctuary. New ringers are welcome. This group will meet every other Thursday through December, and will lead worship in early December. Please let Dr. Beth Cape know if you are interested in joining this group.



The **Mission Committee** will meet in Room 109 this Wednesday, September 4, following the supper, about 6:15. All are welcome to attend.



It is only September 2024, however, to get the best travel options at the lowest prices we need to start planning for 2025 soon. We are looking for interested Faith members and friends to help put together the most appealing travel option available for the Fall (October or November) of 2025.

The best days to meet with the travel agent are October 5th, October 26th or November 9th, from 10:45 to 12:00. If you can help select our 2025 Faith cruise, or if you have any questions, please email Robert Perry ASAP at (perry3947@knology.net). There will be no more than two meetings in the Franklin Center. A second meeting will only be necessary if more time is needed to gather additional information.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

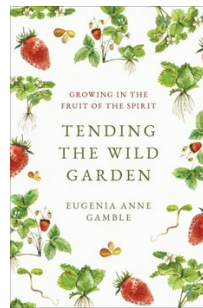
September 4, 2024 at 5:30pm
Menu: Pot Luck

Names: _____
 _____ Adults (\$7.00) _____ Children (\$5.00) (10 and under)
 Please indicate ages of children 10 and under _____

Confirmation Class and dinner for ages 12-14 on Sunday evenings, September 8, 15, 22, 29 in Room 109 at 5:00PM. Interested youth should sign up with Michael.



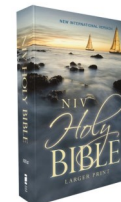
Faith Voyagers Sunday School Class resumed August 4th. They are continuing the series on the New Testament in room 109 at 9:30. All are welcome.



Tuesday Afternoon Women's Study

There will be a **Women's Bible Study on Tuesdays at 3:30PM beginning on September 17, 2024 in the Franklin Center**. The study will be *Tending the Wild Garden* by Eugenia Gamble. It is about Growing the Fruits of the Spirit and is available from Amazon for \$20. All women are invited to participate.

There are **Large Print Bibles** on the table in the Fellowship Hall and the back table in the Sanctuary for use during Sunday Services .



- Wednesday, September 4, Mission Committee Meeting**
- Sunday, September 8, Confirmation Classes Begin**
- Tuesday, September 17, Tending the Wild Garden Women's Bible Study @ 3:30PM in the Franklin Center**
- Thursday, September 19, ESL Handbells @11:20AM in the Sanctuary**
- Saturday, October 26, Society of St. Andrew Seed Packing**
- Sunday, October 27, Franklin Center Dedication after Service followed by Chili Cook Off and Team Food Drive**
- Monday, October 28, First Stop Celebration Dinner at The Jackson Center**

Faith Presbyterian Church

Welcome to Worship



Engage, Nurture, Bless

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

September 1, 2024

Dr. Michael Bowe—Pastor
 Stephen Sivley—Director of Music Ministry
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