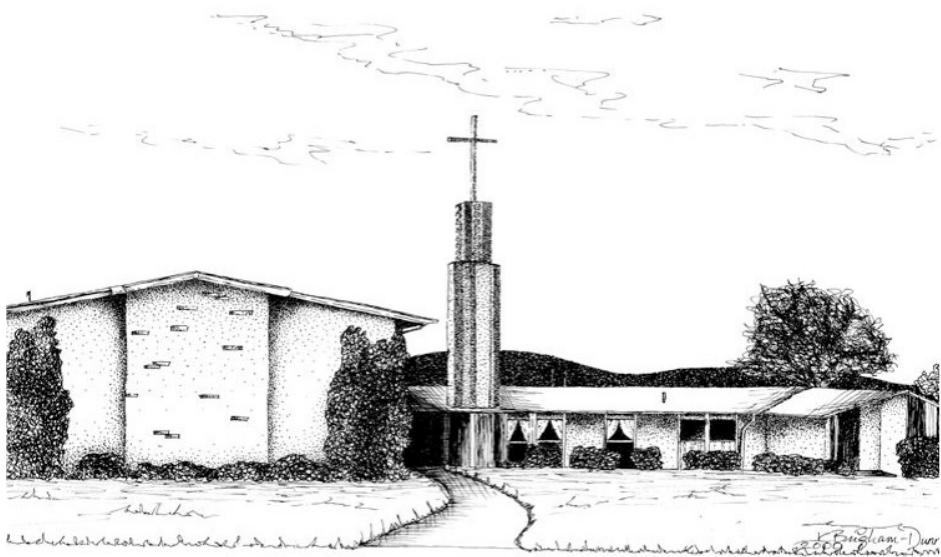


# Faith

CHURCH

Presbyterian Church in America

## A Worshiping Community of Grace



Worship the LORD  
in the splendor of his holiness  
I Chr. 16:29

Sunday School for All Ages 9:15am  
Worship Service 10:45am  
Evening Worship on 1st Sundays at 5pm

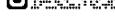
# Welcome!



If you are visiting with us today, we're glad you're here! In order that we can serve you best, please reach out to us by scanning this QR code, or by filling out the welcome card in the pew rack and placing it in the offering plate.

**Your children are welcome in our Sanctuary!** Pick up activity bags at the Welcome Table for use during the service. Children 4 and under are also welcome in our nursery with secure drop off/pick up procedures.

**Giving is an act of worship.** Offering plates are passed during every worship service, and you can also drop your offering any time into the black box just inside the sanctuary doors. Checks can be made out to 'Faith Church.' **Online giving is available through our [website](#) or app**, found at this QR code.



## Stay in the know!

Receive our weekly email, and subscribe to our Slack Channel, Website and app! To sign up, email Heidi at [admin@faithreformed.org](mailto:admin@faithreformed.org). Also, find us on Facebook: Faith Church, Frederick MD.

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If you need hearing assistance or a Large Print Bible during the service, please ask an usher.

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## Let us all prepare our hearts

with silent Bible reading, meditation, and prayer  
before the service begins.

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**Faith Church**, a Reformed Presbyterian congregation, is a member of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), a denomination faithful to the Scriptures, true to the Reformed Faith, and obedient to the Great Commission.

**Our Mission:** *"Faith Church exists to worship and glorify God, to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ, and to promote God's kingdom by standing as a gracious and faithful witness to the surrounding community and the world."*

Sunday School for All Ages, 9:15am \* Worship Service, 10:45am \* Evening Worship on 1st Sundays, 5pm

# Order of Worship

Sunday, February 22, 2026

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## PRAISE: We Acknowledge God's Majesty

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### Prelude

\*Opening Song All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

\*Call to Worship Leader: Sons and daughters of the Lord, everyone who is called by his name, whom he created for his glory, whom he formed and made—come and declare his praise!

Isaiah 43

All: The Lord, our Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel, gives water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to his chosen people, the people he formed for himself, that we might declare his praise.

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\*Praise Songs Christ Our Hope in Life and Death  
We Will Feast in the House of Zion

### \*Invocation

Corporate  
Confession  
Adapted from Psalm 23

All: Lord, You are our Shepherd, yet we still want. You promise us rest, but we refuse to be still. You are our righteousness, but we look to our own works. You are with us, but yet, we still fear and do not trust Your promises of protection; and we cower at our enemies. Lord, forgive us. Cause us to embrace Your goodness and mercy, that we may truly believe that You will be with us all the days of our lives. We pray this in the Name of Christ, Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon     "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."  
1 John 1:9

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## CONSECRATION: We Surrender Our Lives to Christ

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Scripture Reading     [Revelation 19](#)

\*Hymn 295     Crown Him With Many Crowns

The Offering     "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing?"  
Matthew 6:25

Offertory

\*Hymn 732     Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of Intercession  
Charlie Van Meter

Sermon     Christ Our Helper  
John Armstrong     [Hebrews 2:14-18](#)

\*Hymn 498     Jesus, What A Friend For Sinners

\*Benediction

Postlude

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

# Sermon Notes

# At Home Worship This Week

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## Bible Reading

2026: 5 Day Bible Reading Plan by Ligonier Ministries.

Date	OT	Psalm	NT
Mon. Feb. 23	Leviticus 8-11	110	Hebrews 4
Tues Feb. 24	Leviticus 12-14	111	Hebrews 5
Wed. Feb. 25	Leviticus 15-18	31	Hebrews 6
Thurs. Feb. 26	Leviticus 19-20	--	Hebrews 7
Fri. Feb. 27	Leviticus 21-23	--	Hebrews 8

## Westminster Larger Catechism

### **Q. 100. What special things are we to consider in the ten commandments?**

A. We are to consider in the ten commandments, the preface, the substance of the commandments themselves, and the several reasons annexed to some of them the more to enforce them.

### **Q. 101. What is the preface to the ten commandments?**

A. The preface to the ten commandments is contained in these words, I am the Lord thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Wherein God manifesteth his sovereignty, as being Jehovah, the eternal, immutable, and almighty God; having his being in and of himself, and giving being to all his words and works: and that he is a God in covenant, as with Israel of old, so with all his people; who, as he brought them out of their bondage in Egypt, so he delivereth us from our spiritual thralldom: and that therefore we are bound to take him for our God alone, and to keep all his commandments.

*Ex. 20:2; Isa. 44:6; Ex. 3:14; Ex. 6:3; Acts 17:24, 28; Gen. 17:7; Rom. 3:29; Luke 1:74-75; 1 Pet. 1:15-18; Lev. 18:30; Lev. 19:37.*

## Hymn:

347 The Church's One Foundation

## Sermon Text for Next Week:

Hebrews 3:1-6

# Prayer Requests

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## World

Pray for your persecuted brothers and sisters in Christ in Mauritania, for peace in, Europe, and the Middle East, and for the goodness of God to be made known among the nations.

## United States

Ask the Lord to bless our churches nationwide with deeper connection to one another and to the watching world. Ask for more Spirit-leading in facing our cultural struggles.

## PCA

PCA Administrative Committee

## Faith Church

Pray for the sick among us, and for those who are recovering, that their bodies, minds and souls are strengthened in the love of Christ.

## Discipleship Ministry

Bruce Brierly Small Group Leader

## Music Ministry

Gwen Grant, Choir Director

## 1st Quarter Sunday School Offering

Jim and Karen with Mission to the World in West Africa

## Faith Church Supported Missionaries and Ministries

Beyond Shelter, Frederick *Nick Brown*

## February Missions Moment

Care-Net Pregnancy Center in downtown Frederick is a vital ministry which gives counseling advice to pregnant women in difficult circumstances, gently helping them navigate their options. As a Christ centered ministry, they trust that their clients choose life but do not force a decision. Pray that these women would bring their pregnancies to full term and that they would see their greater need to turn to Jesus for salvation. The women are not charged for the services provided, including baby care products, parenting classes, and counseling services. The 2026 Care Net Annual Fund Raising Banquet is on Saturday, March 28. Mark your calendars!

# This Week at Faith

<b>Sunday, February 22</b>	9:15am	Sunday School
	10:45am	Worship Service
	12:00pm	Children's Choir Rehearsal
	3:45pm	Communicants' Class
	5:00pm	Youth Group
<b>Monday, February 23</b>	7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal
<b>Wednesday February 25</b>	12:00pm	Men's Lunch Bunch
	7:00pm	Online Prayer Meeting
<b>Thursday, February 26</b>	7:00pm	ESL Ministry
<b>Friday, February 27</b>	10:30am	Fiber Fellowship
<b>Saturday, February 28</b>	9:00am	Inquirer's Class
	10:30am	Downtown Chr. Fellowship
<b>Sunday, March 1 Communion Sunday</b>	9:15am	Sunday School
	10:45am	Worship Service
	12:00pm	Children's Choir Rehearsal
	3:45pm	Communicants' Class
	5:00pm	Youth Group
	<b>5:00pm</b>	<b><i>First Hymn Movie Night</i></b>

## Announcements

**Movie Night!** Join us NEXT SUNDAY, March 1 at 5pm for The First Hymn Documentary, followed by a fellowship meal. The film describes the journey of "bringing the first hymn back to life. From a scrap of parchment in the ruins of an ancient Egyptian city to every church in modern America." You don't want to miss it!

**Baby Shower for Carmen O'Neill—it's a BOY!** All the ladies are invited to come together to bless this family, new to our church! Sunday, March 8 from 12:30-2pm in the Fellowship Hall. Time is short, so please sign up at the Welcome Table asap, and indicate if you are willing to contribute a food item!

**Ladies' BRUNCH** All Women in the church are invited to "BRUNCH" (**B**uilding **R**elationships and **U**NIty in **C**HRist), Saturday, March 28th from 10:00 am - 12:30pm at Faith Church. This will be a fun event where we will spend time in fellowship and getting to know one another better, as well as hear thoughts from various women on a panel. A sheet will be available to sign up for Brunch items. Should you have any questions, please see Grace Rochford, Anna Newman or Christine Stalnaker.

**TONGUES OF FIRE XIV** Our Annual Chili Cook-Off takes place in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, March 7 at 6pm. Bring your best chili for competition, a side dish or dessert, or just come to taste, vote, and enjoy the fun. Please sign up by [clicking here](#) or scanning this QR code, OR you can sign up on the paper form on the Welcome Table. (No need to sign up in both places.) **If you're bringing chili, please arrive by 5:30 to set up.** The Tongues of Fire Apron Trophy awaits you!



**Have You Ever Seen a Flying Cow?** Here's your chance!! Join us to watch Frederick's semi-pro basketball team, the Flying Cows take on the San Diego Sharks on Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at the Woodsboro Bank Arena on the Hood College Campus. It's a loud, fast-paced, family-fun event! Sign up at the Welcome Table so we can get group rates! See Noah Passarelli for more info.

**Inquirer's Class** Are you thinking about becoming a member of Faith? Just want to know more about what we believe? This is the class for you! Join Pastor John this Saturday, February 28 from 9-1pm in the Fellowship Hall, lunch included. Please sign up at the Welcome Table.

**Souper Sunday, Frederick Rescue Mission** Support the Frederick Rescue Mission with their annual fund raiser on March 22 from 12-3pm. Enjoy mouthwatering soups, salads, and desserts from Frederick's finest, and take home a unique handmade ceramic bowl. Tickets are available here: <https://therescuemission.org/souper-sunday-26/>

**Men's Bible Study with Charlie Van Meter** The group meets on alternating Tuesdays at noon in the Fellowship Hall. Next ones are March 3, 17, 31. All men are welcome!

**Are You Connected?** If you're not receiving our weekly email, monthly Tapestry newsletter, prayer requests, etc., it might be because you're not subscribed! To sign up, contact Heidi at [admin@faithreformed.org](mailto:admin@faithreformed.org). On Facebook: 'Faith Church, Frederick MD'

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## **COMING EVENTS. Save the Dates, More Info Coming.**

Inquirer's Class	Sat. 2/28/26 9am-1pm
First Hymn Documentary	Sun. 3/1/26 5pm
Tongues of Fire XIV, Chili Cook Off	Sat. 3/7/26 6pm
Baby Shower for Carmen O'Neill	Sun. 3/8/26 12:30pm
Frederick Flying Cows Basketball Game	Fri. 3/20/26
Fred. Rescue Mission Souper Sunday	Sun. 3/22/26 12-3pm
Faith Church Ladies' BRUNCH	Sat. 3/28/26 10am
Care Net Fund Raising Banquet	Sat. 3/28/26 6pm
Kids' Easter Event	Sat. 4/4/26 10am
Annual Church Retreat	Fri-Sun May 29-31
VBS	Mon-Fri July 6-10

# Get Involved!

Contact any of these ministry leaders through the Church Directory or on Slack. (Email Heidi at [admin@FaithReformed.org](mailto:admin@FaithReformed.org) to connect!)

## Women

**Ladies' Bible Study** 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays in the Sanctuary, 8:45am Sept-May. Christine Stalnaker.

**Annual Christmas Luncheon** December 6, 2025

**Conferences & Service Projects**

Christine Stalnaker

**Fiber Fellowship**, Fridays Sept.-May at the Church, 10:30am (bring your knitting, quilting, or any other fiber craft or come to learn!) Mary Hudzinski

## Children and Youth

**Youth Group** during the school year, grades 6-12 Sunday evenings 5-7pm. Quentin Johnston

**Children's Choir**, Sept.-May, rehearses for 15 minutes immediately after the service. Sings the Prelude every third Sunday. Gwen Grant

**VBS**, for grades pre-K to 5<sup>th</sup> grade each summer. Hannah Paugh

## COMMITTEES & CHAIRS

**Building Committee** Tom Maestri

**Christian Discipleship** Susan Hauver

**Disaster Response** Bruce Brierly

**Finance** George Johnson

**Global Missions** Bert Hauaver

**Information Technology** Matt Yost

**Local Missions** Bob Miller

**Outreach** Angie Custer

**Safety and Security** Rich Rochford

**Women's Ministry** Christine Stalnaker

**Worship Planning** Quentin Johnston

## Men

**Men's Breakfast**, 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays in the Fellowship Hall, 8:30am Rich Rochford

**Annual Canoe Trip**, Rich Rochford

**Men's Bible Study**, every other Tuesday 12-1pm at the church, Charlie Van Meter.

## Everyone

**Sunday School**, Sundays at 9:15am

**Small Groups** various times and places

**Evening Worship**, 1<sup>st</sup> Sundays 5:30pm

**Faith Choir**, rehearses Mondays 7pm during the school year. Gwen Grant

**Meal Ministry**, serves ill and recovering church family as well as a few receptions per year. Anna Newman

**ESL Ministry**, serves our community by teaching English and forming relationships. Thurs evenings, Sept-May Jacquie Johnston, [esl@faithreformed.org](mailto:esl@faithreformed.org)

**Downtown Christian Fellowship**

Serves the homeless and working poor of Frederick with a worship service and lunch every Saturday at 10:30am, Brown Community Center 629 N. Market St. Frederick. Tom Maestri

**Autumn Lake Nursing Home—**

**Ballenger Creek** 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of every month, 3-4pm. Singing old familiar hymns, sharing the gospel, and spending time talking to the people. Tom Maestri

**Semi Annual Sparkle Day**

**Outreach and Service Projects**

**Annual Church Retreat**, end of May.

# Currently Open Small Groups

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Contact any of these ministry leaders through the Church Directory or on Slack. (Email Heidi at [admin@FaithReformed.org](mailto:admin@FaithReformed.org) to connect!)

## Ezra and Nehemiah

Wednesday evenings at the Brierlys' in Middletown. Bruce Brierly

## Journey Through the Bible

Thursdays 6AM, Mountain View Diner, 1300 W. Patrick St. Frederick.

John Armstrong

## Origins and Faith

Johnstons' Home, 2nd and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays

5-7pm, Food, Prayer, and Study in

Origins. David Johnston

## Women in the Word

Walkersville, (though location varies),

Tuesdays 7:30pm. For young female

professionals and moms with young  
children. Arliss Veldhuizen

## Ladies' Bible Study

Sanctuary: Third Saturdays 8:45am.

Christine Stalnaker

## Ladies' Book Study

Fellowship Hall, alternate Wednesdays  
1:30pm Mary Hudzinski

## Young Adults Group

Johnston's home, Thursdays 6:30-

8:30pm for ages 18-34, singles and

couples, childcare available.

Quentin Johnston and Noah Passarelli

## Men's Bible Study

Fellowship Hall Every other Tuesday,

12-1pm. Book of Zechariah

Charlie Van Meter

## Wednesday Lunch Bunch (for men)

Fellowship Hall, Wednesdays 12pm.

*Union With Christ* by Sinclair Ferguson  
John Armstrong

## Men's Breakfast,

Fellowship Hall: Third Saturdays 8:30am,

Current Book: *A Heart for God* by Sinclair  
Ferguson. Greg Stalnaker

# Faith Financial Update

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As of January 2026:

Income: 34,099

Expenses: 42,457

Deficit: -8,358

Building Fund Contributions for FY25 are 3,200.00

## Our Elders

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## Our Local Mercy Ministries

Beyond Shelter, Frederick *Nick Brown*

Care Net: *Linda King*

Central MD Youth for Christ: *Arn Bjorndal*

Downtown Christian Fellowship: *Tom Maestri*

Frederick County Young Life: *Chris Eckard*

Frederick Rescue Mission: *Arnold Farlow*

## Faith Church Supported Missionaries

Betania: *Javier Gil, Colombia*

Colombia Presbytery Ministries

Conexus LA: *Kathryn Stephens*

Equipping Farmers International: *Frank and Cindy Sindler, Africa*

Equipping Leaders International: *Manuel and Kim Padilla, Latin America*

GCFM: *Tom and Nancy Balma, University of Denver, Colorado*

GEM: *Chris and Emily Moreland, Greece*

MNA: *Hernando Saenz*

MTW: *Melanie Johnson, Japan*

MTW: *John and Rachel Clifford, Rwanda*

MTW: *Jon and Olya Powell, Ukraine*

MTW: *Jim and Karen, West Africa*

Project Paraguay: *Roberto Maureira, Paraguay*

Reformed University Fellowship: *Ryan Bratt, UMD College Park*

Reformed University Fellowship Intl: *Matthew DeLong, George Mason U.*

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