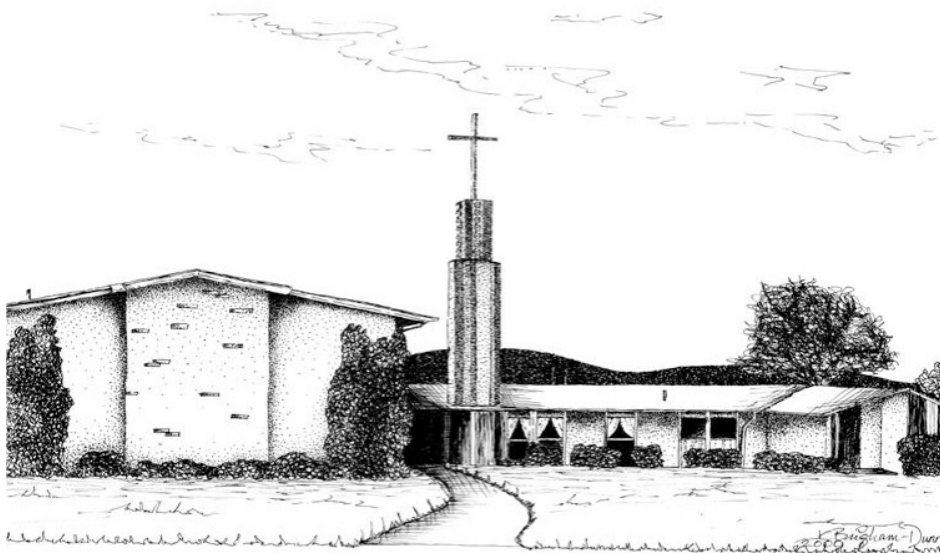


Faith

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A Worshiping Community of Grace



...Worship the LORD
in the splendor of his holiness...

I Chr. 16:29

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He is Risen!

Sunday, March 31, 2024



Visitors, we are glad you're here! So we know how to 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.

Let us all prepare our hearts with silent Bible reading, meditation, and prayer before the service begins.

PRAISE

We Acknowledge God's Majesty

PRELUDE

Just as He Said!
by Trevor Manor

Faith Children's Choir

*HYMN 273

Jesus Christ is Risen Today!

*CALL TO WORSHIP

1 Corinthians 15:50-56

Leader: I tell you this, brothers: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written:

**All: Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is your victory?
O death, where is your sting?**

Leader: The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.

**All: But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord
Jesus Christ.**

*PRAISE SONGS

He is Risen
Living Hope

*INVOCATION

CORPORATE CONFESSION

All: "Whom have I in heaven besides you? And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you. My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever." This we declare! This we know to be true. But, O Lord, we sin against You in

disobedience, in faithlessness, and in joyless obedience. We trust in our own ways, we seek our own ends. We put our trust in the things of this world when we know that our hope, our home, our rest, our life rests only with You in Your eternal kingdom. We are ever ready to defend ourselves; ready to justify our sinful hearts and its fruit when You alone are able to justify in love and mercy. We turn to you in Christ our Lord. We have no merit of our own but plead His shed blood as our only hope. He took our sin upon Himself, canceling our debt, having paid it in full! It is His righteousness that covers us as we trust in Him for the forgiveness of sins and eternal life. Forgive us through our savior Jesus Christ, the Lord and giver of life, the justifier of God's elect. O Lord, hear us we pray. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

2 Corinthians 5:21

“For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.”

CONSECRATION We Surrender Our Lives to Christ

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 28

*HYMN 276 Up From the Grave He Arose

THE OFFERING

Psalm 39:5

“Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths, and my lifetime is as nothing before you. Surely all mankind stands as a mere breath!”

OFFERTORY

Worthy is the Lamb
by Pepper Choplin

Faith Choir

*HYMN 733

Doxology

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

Warren Paire

SCRIPTURE TEXT

Luke 24:26

SERMON

The Strife is O'er

John Armstrong

*HYMN 275 The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

*Please stand as you are able

At Home Worship

Week 14

We want to make it easy for you to continue to worship at home during the week, either individually or along with your family. In 2024 we will follow the chronological One Year Bible reading plan provided by “Read the Bible for Life!” as well as weekly questions from the Heidelberg Catechism, and a hymn for you to learn together.

Bible Reading

Monday, April 1	1 Samuel 1-3
Tuesday, April 2	2 Samuel 4-8
Wednesday, April 3	1 Samuel 9-12
Thursday, April 4	1 Samuel 13-16
Friday, April 5	1 Samuel 17-20; Psalm 59
Saturday, April 6	1 Samuel 21-24; Psalm 91

Heidelberg Catechism

29. Q. Why is the Son of God called Jesus, that is, Saviour?

A. Because He saves us from all our sins,[1] and because salvation is not to be sought or found in anyone else.[2]

[1] Matt. 1:21; Heb. 7:25. [2] Is. 43:11; John 15:4, 5; Acts 4:11, 12; I Tim. 2:5.

30. Q. Do those believe in the only Saviour Jesus who seek their salvation and well-being from saints, in themselves, or anywhere else?

A. No. Though they boast of Him in words, they in fact deny the only Saviour Jesus.[1] For one of two things must be true: either Jesus is not a complete Saviour, or those who by true faith accept this Saviour must find in Him all that is necessary for their salvation.[2]

[1] I Cor. 1:12, 13; Gal. 5:4. [2] Col. 1:19, 20; 2:10; I John 1:7.

Hymn: 469 How Sweet and Awesome is the Place

A Look at Next Sunday

Sermon:	Guest Preacher
Praise Music:	Oh How Good It Is It is Finished He is Risen
Hymns:	381 Brethren, We Have Met to Worship 469 How Sweet and Awesome is the Place

This Week at Faith

Sunday, March 31 Easter Sunday!	9:15am Sunday School 10:45am Worship service—Children sing Prelude No Evening Activities
Monday, April 1	7:00pm Adult choir Practice
Tuesday, April 2	5:00pm 1 st Peter with Charlie Van Meter
Wednesday, April 3	12:00pm Men’s Lunch Bunch in the Fellowship Hall 6:30pm Worship team practice 7:00pm Prayer meeting in the Fellowship Hall and online
Friday, April 5	10:30am Friday Fiber Friends 7:00pm PCA Women’s Conference Begins
Saturday, April 6	8:30am-3:30pm PCA Women’s Conference
Sunday, April 7	9:15am Sunday School 10:45am Worship service 12:00pm Children’s Choir Rehearsal 5:00pm Evening Worship—Dessert Afterwards 6:00pm Youth Group

Please Pray for:

World	Your persecuted brothers and sisters in Christ in Bahrain, and for the conflicts in the Middle East & Ukraine.
United States	Comfort for those affected by the Key Bridge collapse and organized recovery efforts.
PCA	PCA Study Committee
Faith Church	Rob Robbins’ continued recovery, Brandon Baker’s ongoing rehab, and all those struggling with illness.
Discipleship	Arliss Veldhuizen, small group leader
Music Ministry	Choir Members
1st Quarter Sunday School Offering	Matthew DeLong with RUF International

Missions Moment

Since their marriage in 1976, following their meeting at Westminster Theological Seminary, Will and Judi Traub of MTW have been steadfast in their dedication to missionary work. Their journey took them to Germany from 1988 to 2000 and later to Dundee, Scotland, in 2012, where they joined the Free Church of Scotland. Will, serving as an Elder at St. Peter's Free Church and teaching Old Testament at Edinburgh Theological Seminary, and Judi, actively involved in the Aspire Project with the Wee Rascals toddler group and the Crèche at St. Peter's, have both made significant contributions to their community. Their commitment to spreading faith and aiding others exemplifies the true spirit of missionary work and continues to inspire those around them.

Announcements

Worship Today:

Nursery Service— For children under five, who must be signed in and picked up with a security tag. Children's activity bags are provided in the narthex for those who remain in the worship service.

Happy Easter! No evening activities tonight.

Will and Judi Traub are retiring from the mission field and would like to thank us for 24 years of supporting them. Join us on April 21st at 5pm for Evening Worship and a message from Will. A fellowship meal will follow.

Inquirer's Class. If you would like to become a member of our church, or just learn more about what we believe, this is the class for you! Saturday, May 4th in the Fellowship Hall from 9am-1pm, lunch is included. Please sign up online with this QR code or under the EVENTS tab of our website or app.



Church Directory 2nd Q 2024 is in the works. Please contact the church office at admin@faithreformed.org if you have any changes to address/phone, OR, if you are newer and would like to be included in our 'Friends and Family' section.

Sanctuary Flowers. Kathy Moore is overseeing this precious new ministry, which brightens our sanctuary and then the homes of our church family members after church each Sunday. If you can help or donate, please see Kathy. kathrynmoore43@gmail.com

Cookbook Deadline—August 31! We want all your favorites for our church cookbook! Please email Mary Hudzinski with your submissions in every category (main dishes, sides, desserts, soups, etc.). Email address is fpccookbook@pa.net. If electronic submission isn't possible for you, please use the paper forms provided on the Narthex table.

New Men's Bible Study. First Peter with Charlie Van Meter meets every other Tuesday from 5-6pm here at the church. All men of Faith Church are invited to attend. Next meeting is this Tuesday, April 2.

Coming Events:

Youth Group Hike! Saturday, April 13, meet at the Catoctin Mountain Visitor Center at 1pm and bring your friends!

Next Men's Breakfast Saturday, April 20 at 8:30am in the Fellowship Hall

Next Ladies' Bible Study, Saturday, April 20 at 8:45am in the Sanctuary.

2024 PCA Women's Conference. All women in the church are invited to the PCA Women's Ministries training conference, "Deliberate Design" this Friday, April 5th (7-9 pm) and Saturday, April 6th (8:30am-3:30 pm) right here at Faith Church. Our guest speaker will be Melanie Cogdill. To register online, click on the EVENTS tab of our app or website.

Church Retreat! Save the dates for our annual festivities at Bongiorno Conference Center from May 31-June 2. The theme this year is spiritual warfare, brought to us by our own elders. We want everyone to be able to participate! Many more details are coming.

Summer VBS June 24-28, 2024! Save the dates for this year's Vacation Bible School, June 24-28. Want to help? Please see Robin Willis or Hannah Paugh.

Faith Church, a Reformed Presbyterian congregation, is a member of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), a denomination that is committed to the historic Christian faith.

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.”*

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Young Life: *Chris Eckard*

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Colombia Presbytery Ministries

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