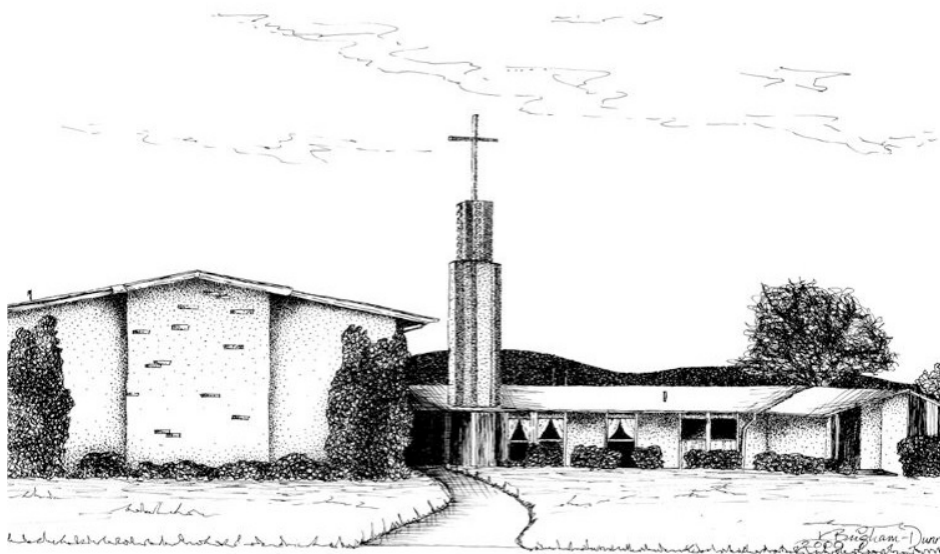


# Faith CHURCH

Presbyterian Church in America

**A Worshiping Community of Grace**



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

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# Order of Worship

Sunday, March 17, 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

\*OPENING SONG Rejoice

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 33:1-4

Leader: Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright.

**All: Give thanks to the LORD with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings!**

Leader: Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

**All: For the word of the LORD is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness.**

\*PRAISE SONGS Eternal Weight of Glory  
He is Risen

### \*INVOCATION

### CORPORATE CONFESSION

**All:** Our Lord, Your love is steadfast and true, yet we have neither relied upon it, nor practiced it. We seek to love in our own strength, instead of Yours. When confronted with our failures, we redefine the call to love in convenient terms. Our daily lives betray a small view of Your love—doubting its depth and zeal—evidenced by despair and complaint. Lord, forgive our unbelief. We are envious of others—the blessings of our friends, siblings and co-workers. We covet their talents, status, and beauty. We resent

our station in life—the measure which You have given to us. Although You promise to exalt the humble, our envy reveals resistance to living by grace alone. It has not been for Your glory that we long. O Lord, show us mercy. Amen.

## SILENT CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 John 1:8-9

“If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”

## **CONSECRATION      We Surrender Our Lives to Christ**

### SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 9

### \*HYMN 606

Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord

### THE OFFERING

Proverbs 11:25

“Whoever brings blessing will be enriched,  
and one who waters, will himself be watered.”

### OFFERTORY

Wonderful Grace of Jesus

Faith Choir

By Haldor Lillenas

### \*HYMN 733

Doxology

### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

Tyler Veldhuizen

### SCRIPTURE TEXT

1 Kings 20

### SERMON

Ahab and God’s Grace to Israel

John Armstrong

### \*HYMN 365

Unless the Lord the House shall Build

### \*BENEDICTION

### \*POSTLUDE

\*Please stand as you are able



# At Home Worship

# Week 12

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, March 18      Joshua 3-6  
Tuesday, March 19     Joshua 7-10  
Wednesday, March 20   Joshua 11-14  
Thursday, March 21    Joshua 15-18  
Friday, March 22       Joshua 19-22  
Saturday, March 23    Joshua 23-24; Judges 1

## Heidelberg Catechism

**25. Q. Since there is only one God,[1] why do you speak of three persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?**

**A.** Because God has so revealed Himself in His Word[2] that these three distinct persons are the one, true, eternal God.

*[1] Deut. 6:4; Is. 44:6; 45:5; I Cor. 8:4, 6. [2] Gen. 1:2, 3; Is. 61:1; 63:8-10; Matt. 3:16, 17; 28:18, 19; Luke 4:18; John 14:26; 15:26; II Cor. 13:14; Gal. 4:6; Tit. 3:5, 6. God the Father and Our Creation*

**26. Q. What do you believe when you say: I believe in God the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth?**

**A.** That the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and all that is in them,[1] and who still upholds and governs them by His eternal counsel and providence,[2] is, for the sake of Christ His Son, my God and my Father.[3] In Him I trust so completely as to have no doubt that He will provide me with all things necessary for body and soul,[4] and will also turn to my good whatever adversity He sends me in this life of sorrow.[5] He is able to do so as almighty God,[6] and willing also as a faithful Father.[7]

*[1] Gen. 1 and 2; Ex. 20:11; Job 38 and 39; Ps. 33:6; Is. 44:24; Acts 4:24; 14:15. [2] Ps. 104:27-30; Matt. 6:30; 10:29; Eph. 1:11. [3] John 1:12, 13; Rom. 8:15, 16; Gal. 4:4-7; Eph. 1:5. [4] Ps. 55:22; Matt. 6:25, 26; Luke 12:22-31. [5] Rom. 8:28. [6] Gen. 18:14; Rom. 8:31-39. [7] Matt. 6:32, 33; 7:9-11.*


**Hymn:** 242 Not All the Blood of Beasts

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## A Look at Next Sunday

<b>Sermon Text:</b>	Zechariah 9:9
<b>Praise Music:</b>	Our Great God In Christ Alone
<b>Hymns:</b>	235 All Glory, Laud, and Honor 237 Ride On, Ride On in Majesty 242 Not All the Blood of Beasts

# This Week at Faith

Sunday, March 17	9:15am Sunday School 10:45am Worship service 12:00pm Children's Choir Rehearsal 12:15pm Fellowship Meal 5:00pm Evening Worship and Supper Together 6:00pm Youth Group
Monday, March 18	7:00pm Adult choir Practice
Tuesday, March 19	5:00pm Men's Bible Study with Charlie Van Meter
Wednesday, March 20	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, March 22	10:30am Friday Fiber Friends
Sunday, March 24 <b>PALM SUNDAY!</b> 	9:15am Sunday School 10:45am Worship service 12:15pm Fellowship Lunch 5:00pm Evening Worship—Dessert afterwards 6:00pm Youth Group

## Please Pray for:

<b>World</b>	Your persecuted brothers and sisters in Christ in Algeria, and for the conflicts in the Middle East & Ukraine.
<b>United States</b>	Our people to make healthy and godly choices.
<b>PCA</b>	Geneva Benefits Group (PCA Retirement).
<b>Faith Church</b>	Those who are sick or in need of employment.
<b>Discipleship</b>	Anna Newman, small groups
<b>Music Ministry</b>	Brian Boyer, Praise Team
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Sunday School Offering</b>	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

## During Worship Today:

**Nursery**— 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.

**Evening service**—5pm. We will be having pizza together at 6:00 after the service.

**Youth Group**—6pm Please consider blessing our Youth with a meal any Sunday evening this spring. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex and we are in need through May.

## Opportunities:

**Join us for Pizza Tonight.** After the Evening worship service at 5pm, we will share a meal together.

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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 begins this Tuesday at the church. All Men of Faith Church are invited to attend. The group will meet every other Tuesday from 5-6pm.

## Coming Events:

**The annual Young Life** fundraising banquet is tomorrow, Monday, March 18 at the Whiskey Creek Golf Club from 6 to 8:00pm. Young Life is a very worthy ministry that Faith Church has supported for years. Come and see what they are doing to advance the gospel in our area. See Bob Miller with any questions at: [saranacbob@aol.com](mailto:saranacbob@aol.com).

**The Care-Net Pregnancy Center** annual fundraising banquet is this coming Saturday, March 23 at the Walkersville Fire Hall at 6:00 PM. Faith Church has reserved 2 tables, (8 people per table) to support this important ministry event. Please sign up in the Narthex.

**Kid's Easter Celebration!** Saturday, March 30, 10am. Bring your kids and grandkids, or volunteer to help! All children need to be registered online (under the EVENTS tab of the app or website) and volunteers can sign up in the Narthex. **Your candy-filled eggs are due back today, 3/17. Please pray for effective outreach!**

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

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**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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Central MD Youth for Christ: *Craig Whisnand*

Frederick Rescue Mission: *Arnold Farlow*

The Religious Coalition for Emergency Human Needs: *Nick Brown*

Young Life: *Chris Eckard*

## **Missionaries**

Betania: *Javier Gil, Colombia*

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Conexus LA: *Kathryn Stephens*

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

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MNA: *Hernando Saenz*

MTW: *Will and Judi Traub, Scotland*

MTW: *Frank and Cindy Sindler, Enterprise*

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