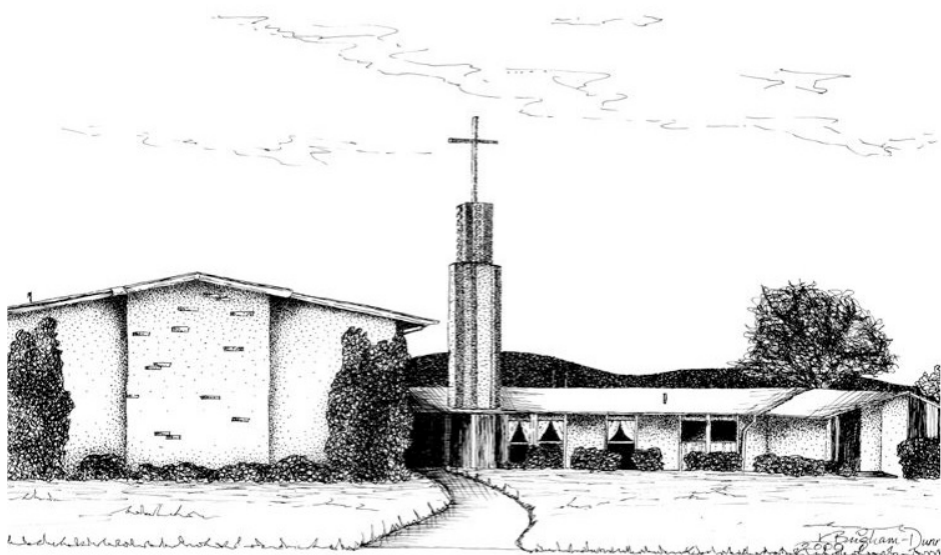


Faith

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.

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

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



The Sanctuary flowers are given today by George and Chris Johnson in memory of their daughter Tracy, on the 10th anniversary of her passing.

Contact Us: www.faithreformed.org

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, August 24, 2025

PRAISE: We Acknowledge God's Majesty

Prelude

Faith Praise Team

The Lord Almighty Reigns (Psalm 93)

*Opening Song

Come Christians, Join to Sing

*Call to Worship

From Psalm 95

Leader: Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

**All: For He is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.**

*Praise Songs

Who Is Like the Lord Our God?
His Glory and My Good

*Invocation

Corporate
Confession

All: Holy God,
We have taken Your name in vain every time
we have added or taken away from Your
character. We have sinned times without
number, and been guilty of pride and unbelief,
and of neglect to seek You in our daily lives.
Our sins and shortcomings present us with a
list of accusations, but we thank You that they
will not stand against us, for all have been laid
on Christ. Deliver us from every evil habit,
every interest of former sins, everything that
dims the brightness of Your grace in us,
everything that prevents us from taking
delight in You.
Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon
Colossians 1:13-14

“He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.”

CONSECRATION: We Surrender Our Lives to Christ

Scripture Reading [1 John 2](#)

*Hymn 707 Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

The Offering Exodus 23:19 “The best of the first fruits of your ground you shall bring into the house of the Lord your God.”

Offertory All I Have is Christ
Faith Praise Team

*Hymn 732 Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of Intercession
Jeff Taylor

Sermon Come and Worship!
John Armstrong [Psalm 95](#)

*Final Hymn Psalm 95 (See next page)

*Benediction

*Postlude

**Please stand as you are able.*

Sermon Notes

95C

Now with Joyful Exultation

1. Now with joy - ful ex - ul - ta - tion let us sing to God our praise;
 2. For how great a God, and glo - rious, is the Lord to whom we sing;
 3. To the Lord such might re - veal - ing, let us come with rev - rence meet,
 4. While he of - fers peace and par - don, let us hear his voice to - day,

to the rock of our sal - va - tion loud ho - san - nas let us raise,
 o - ver i - dol gods vic - to - rious, great is he, our God and King.
 and, be - fore our ma - ker kneel - ing, let us wor - ship at his feet,
 lest, if we our hearts should hard - en, we should per - ish in the way;

Thank - ful trib - ute glad - ly bring - ing, let us come be - fore him now,
 In his hand are earth's deep pla - ces, al - so his are all the hills;
 He is our own God who leads us, we the peo - ple of his care;
 lest to us, so un - be - liev - ing, he in judg - ment shall de - clare:

and, with psalms his prais - es sing - ing, joy - ful in his pres - ence bow,
 his the sea whose bounds he trac - es, his the land his boun - ty fills.
 with a shep - herd's hand he feeds us as his flock in pas - tures fair.
 "You, so long my Spir - it griev - ing, nev - er in my rest can share."

At Home Worship This Week

Bible Reading

2025: 52-week Bible Reading Plan by Ligonier Ministries.

Feel free to combine readings if you prefer a day off each week.

Sun. Aug. 24	<i>Epistles</i>	1 Timothy 4-6
Mon. Aug. 25	<i>The Law</i>	Numbers 5-8
Tues. Aug. 26	<i>History</i>	1 Chronicles 10-14
Wed. Aug. 27	<i>Psalms</i>	Psalms 99-101
Thur. Aug. 28	<i>Poetry</i>	Proverbs 19
Fri. Aug. 29	<i>Prophecy</i>	Hosea 1-7
Sat. Aug. 30	<i>Gospels</i>	John 7-9

Westminster Larger Catechism

Q. 49. How did Christ humble himself in his death?

A. Christ humbled himself in his death, in that having been betrayed by Judas, forsaken by his disciples, scorned and rejected by the world, condemned by Pilate, and tormented by his persecutors; having also conflicted with the terrors of death, and the powers of darkness, felt and borne the weight of God's wrath, he laid down his life an offering for sin, enduring the painful, shameful, and cursed death of the cross.

Matt. 27:4; Matt. 26:56; Isa. 53:2-3; Matt. 27:26-50; John 19:34; Luke 22:44; Matt. 27:46; Isa. 53:10; Phil. 2:8; Heb. 12:2; Gal. 3:13.

Q. 50. Wherein consisted Christ's humiliation after his death?

A. Christ's humiliation after his death consisted in his being buried; and continuing in the state of the dead and under the power of death till the third day, which hath been otherwise expressed in these words, He descended into hell.

1 Cor. 15:3-4; Ps. 16:10; Acts 2:24-27, 31; Rom. 6:9; Matt. 12:40.

Q. 51. What was the estate of Christ's exaltation?

A. The estate of Christ's exaltation comprehendeth his resurrection, ascension, sitting at the right hand of the Father, and his coming again to judge the world.

1 Cor. 15:4; Mark 16:19; Eph. 1:20; Acts 1:11; Acts 17:31.

Hymn:

402 Abide With Me

Sermon Text for Next Week:

Psalms 96

Prayer Requests

World

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

United States

Ask the Lord to have mercy on our schools and colleges nationwide as we gear up to return for another school year. Pray that our schools are safe and teach with academic excellence; that they embody true freedom within the bounds of God's laws and promote personal integrity and moral goodness.

PCA

Covenant Seminary

Faith Church

Pray for our children and college students as they return to school. Ask that this year brings tangible growth and spiritual fruit; that the Holy Spirit would be strong in each of them, making Himself clearly known.

Discipleship Ministry

Anna Newman—Small Group Leader

Music Ministry

Melissa Soe—Praise Team

3rd Quarter Sunday School Offering

John and Rachel Clifford, MTW, Rwanda

Faith Church Supported Missionaries and Ministries

MTW (Mission to the World): Frank and Cindy Sindler, Enterprise

August Missions Moment

The Missions Moment for this month is centered on Youth for Christ. As the name suggests, this organization ministers to young people still in high school; Faith Church has supported them for decades and they really need our support now more than ever. Three years ago, their area director (Arn Bjorndal) retired after 35 years of service. He was asked to return to help sort out and solve some of the subsequent problems they faced-----some personnel departures and financial issues. After prayerful consideration he agreed to return for one year. Please pray for this man and for the ministry of YFC. For more information, see Bob Miller: [Saranacbob@AOL .com](mailto:Saranacbob@AOL.com)

This Week at Faith

Sunday, August 24	9:15am Sunday School 10:45am Worship service 12:00pm Congregational Meeting 3:00pm Annual Church Picnic
Wednesday, August 27	12:00pm Men's Lunch Bunch 7:00pm Prayer meeting online
Saturday, August 30	10:30am Downtown Chr. Fellowship
Sunday, August 31	9:15am Sunday School 10:45am Worship service

Announcements

Congregational Meeting, TODAY August 24

There will be a brief, informational meeting immediately after the worship service. The Building Committee will give us an update, and Pastor John will address the congregation regarding his 3-month sabbatical leave, from September 11—December 11.

Church Picnic TODAY!

Join us for our Annual Church Picnic this afternoon, starting at 3pm at the home of Lydia Hutchinson. Enjoy swimming, yard games, deep shade, great conversation, and yummy picnic food. Burgers, hotdogs, rolls & fixins, chips, water, lemonade, and paper products will be provided. Things to bring: A-L a side dish, M-Z dessert, a serving utensil for your dish, lawn chairs, swimming stuff, frisbees, etc. 7400 Holter Rd, Middletown, MD. *Enter and travel through Remsburg Park, then continue onto the private drive. Park in the field ahead where the driveway bears left, or those with mobility concerns can park off the driveway closer to the house.*

New Bible Study

Everyone is invited to join Bruce and Terri Brierly in the study of Ezra and Nehemiah. They are hosting the study at their house in Middletown on Fridays at 6:30pm, tentatively starting October 17th. Please sign up at the Welcome Table.

ESL ministry at Faith

We invite you to join us in loving our immigrant neighbors by teaching English as a Second Language. We seek Christ followers, who are open to the Lord using them as teachers, helpers, and friends to the precious ones He brings our way. **No foreign language skills are necessary!** Also vital to the ministry are helpers, who can be a regular, friendly presence Thursday evenings from 7-9PM starting September 4. You will be blessed! Please reach out to Jacquie Johnston with any questions and share this opportunity with anyone wanting to learn or improve their English skills!

Freezer Meals Needed



Two families (the Adamsons and the Wilsons) said that rather than meals delivered postpartum, freezer meals prepared ahead of time would be most helpful. If you can help, please use the Google Doc at this QR code to sign up to make freezer meals for these families. Meals can be delivered to their

homes or brought to church (there is space to hold things temporarily in the hallway freezer until the family can take it home). Please contact Michelle or Brittney to coordinate meal drop-offs (their numbers are listed on the form).

Ladies' Book Study Resuming Sept. 10

Please sign up at the Welcome Table for Mary Hudzinski's group which meets every other Wednesday from 1:30-3:30pm at the church, starting September 10. When signing up, indicate which of three books you'd prefer to study.

Women's Bible Study. Sign up at the Welcome Table!

All women of the church are invited as we begin a new Women's Bible study



"Colossians and Philemon: That in everything Christ might be preeminent" by Sarah Ivill. We will meet the 3rd Saturday of each month **starting September 20**, at 8:45am at the church. Books can be ordered from the PCA Bookstore at this QR code. Questions can be directed to Christine Stalnaker or Grace Rochford. **Please sign up at the Welcome table.**

Downtown Christian Fellowship Meals

Our dear brothers and sisters at DCF depend on the meal we provide every Saturday along with the worship service. Please consider being part of this vital ministry by preparing a meal for them and see the sign-up sheet at the Welcome Table for more information. The church will reimburse your costs if you submit your receipts to George Johnson.

Men's Bible Study with Charlie Van Meter

Join us every other Tuesday from 12-1pm at the church, studying Philippians. Next meetings are September 2, 16, & 30.

Get Involved!

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

Women

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

Annual Christmas Luncheon
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 (no meeting on 1st Sundays)

Quentin Johnston

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

COMMITTEES & CHAIRS

Building Committee Tom Maestri
Christian Discipleship Susan Hauver
Disaster Response Bruce Brierly
Finance George Johnson
Global Missions Marco Ochoa
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, 3rd Saturdays in the
Fellowship Hall, 8:30am
Rich Rochford

Annual Canoe Trip, Rich Rochford
Bible Study, every other Tuesday
12-1pm at the church,
Charlie Van Meter.

Everyone

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

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**

3rd and 4th 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

Ezra and Nehemiah

Friday evenings, starting mid-October at the Brierly's home 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 4th 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
Resumes September 20.
Sign up in the Narthex.

Ladies' Book Study

Fellowship Hall, alternate Wednesdays 1:30pm
Mary Hudzinski
Resumes September 10
Sign up in the Narthex.

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
Song of Solomon
Charlie Van Meter

Wednesday Lunch Bunch

(for men)

Fellowship Hall, Wednesdays 12pm. *James: A Reformed Expository Commentary* by Daniel M. Doriani
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

As of July 2025

Income: 343280
Expenses: 264691
Surplus: 78589

Building Fund Contributions for FY25 are 51186

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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
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 Leaders International: *Manuel and Kim Padilla, Latin America*
GCFM: *Tom and Nancy Balma, Colorado*
GEM: *Chris and Emily Moreland, Greece*
MNA: *Hernando Saenz*
MTW: *John and Rachel Clifford, Rwanda*
MTW: *Frank and Cindy Sindler, Enterprise*
MTW: *Jon and Olya Powell, Ukraine*
MTW: *Jim and Karen Weaver, Senegal*
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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