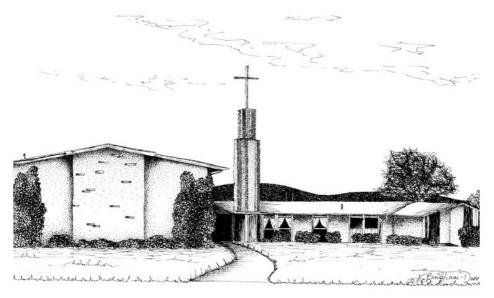


Presbyterian Church in America A Worshiping Community of Grace



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

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Order of Worship Sunday, April 14, 2024



<u>Visitors</u>, 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

- *HYMN 53 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
- *CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 34:1-7

- Leader: I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
 - All: My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad. Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!
- Leader: I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.
 - All: Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed. This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him and saved him out of all his troubles. The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.

*PRAISE SONGS

May the Peoples Praise You In the Valley

*INVOCATION

CORPORATE CONFESSION

All: Lord, we come to you today aware of our need for your grace. We have fallen short of your glory and not lived as kings and queens under your lordship. We have sought to

build our own kingdoms rather than yours; to run after pleasures apart from your presence; to desire fame from others rather than honor from you. We call upon your mercy. Forgive us of our sins.

SILENT CONFESSION

SCRIPTURE READING

*HYMN 347

THE OFFERING

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy."

We Surrender Our Lives to Christ **CONSECRATION**

The Church's One Foundation

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| *HYMN 731 | Doxology | |
| PRAYER OF DEDIC | ATION | |
| PRAYER OF INTER | CESSION | Jeff Taylor |
| SCRIPTURE TEXT | | Revelation 17 |
| SERMON | Mystery Babylon | Charlie Van Meter |
| *HYMN 261 | What Wondrous Love is T | his? |
| *BENEDICTION | | |
| *POSTLUDE | | |

*Please stand as you are able

1 Peter 2:9-10

2 Corinthians 12

Psalm 50:23

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Hearing assistance and large print pew Bibles are available during the worship service. Please contact an usher for assistance.

<u>At Home Worship</u>

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 <u>Heidleberg Catechism</u>, and <u>a hymn</u> for you to learn together.

Week 16

Bible Reading

| Monday, April 15 | 2 Samuel 1-4 |
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| Tuesday, April 16 | Psalms 6, 9, 10, 14, 16, 21 |
| Wednesday, April 17 | 1 Chronicles 1-2; Psalms 43-44 |
| Thursday, April 18 | Psalm 49, 84, 85, 87 |
| Friday, April 19 | 1 Chronicles 3-5 |
| Saturday, April 20 | 1 Chronicles 6; Psalms 36, 39, 77, 78 |

Heidleberg Catechism

33. Q. Why is He called God's only begotten Son, since we also are children of God?

A. Because Christ alone is the eternal, natural Son of God.[1] We, however, are children of God by adoption, through grace, for Christ's sake.[2]

[1] John 1:1-3, 14, 18; 3:16; Rom. 8:32; Heb. 1; I John 4:9. [2] John 1:12; Rom. 8:14-17; Gal. 4:6; Eph. 1:5, 6.

34. Q. Why do you call Him our Lord?

A. Because He has ransomed us, body and soul,[1] from all our sins, not with silver or gold but with His precious blood,[2] and has freed us from all the power of the devil to make us His own possession.[3]

[1] I Cor. 6:20; I Tim. 2:5, 6. [2] I Peter 1:18, 19. [3] Col. 1:13, 14; Heb. 2:14, 15.

Hymn: 439 Christ Shall have Dominion

A Look at Next Sunday

| Sermon Text: | 1Kings 22:41-53 |
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| Praise Music: | All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name Our Redeemer I Will Wait For You |
| Hymns: | 604 Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart 439 Christ Shall Have Dominion |

Fiscal Summary as of March 2024

Income:251,491Expenses:105,751Excess Income:145,740Building Fund Contributions for FY24 are 87,509

This Week at Faith

| Sunday, April 14 | 9:15am Sunday School 10:45am Worship service 12:00pm Children's Choir Rehearsal 5:00pm Evening Worship—Meal Afterwards 6:00pm Youth Group |
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| Monday, April 15 | 7:00pm Adult choir Practice |
| Tuesday, April 16 | 5:00pm Men's Bible Study with Charlie Van Meter |
| Wednesday, April 17 | 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 19 | 10:30am Friday Fiber Friends |
| Saturday, April 20 | 8:30am Men's Breakfast |
| Sunday, April 21 | 9:15am Sunday School 10:45am Worship service—Children's Choir Sings 3:45pm Communicant's Class 5:00pm Evening Worship with Will Traub 6:00pm Fellowship Meal celebrating the Traubs' ministry 6:00pm Youth Group |

Please Pray for:

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| World | Your persecuted brothers and sisters in Christ in Benin, and for the conflicts in the Middle East & Ukraine. | |
| United States | A deeper awareness of and compassion for persecuted Christians worldwide. | |
| РСА | The Committee on Discipleship Ministries | |
| Faith Church | Stronger relationships and more ministry opportunities. | |
| Discipleship | John Nicodemus | |
| Music Ministry | Gwen Grant, Choir Director | |
| 2 nd Quarter Su | ^d Quarter Sunday School Offering Gideons International | |

April Missions Moment

One of the local ministries that Faith church has supported for many years is The Religious Coalition for Emergency Human Needs. As the name implies, this mission provides help to people who are "down and out" and need food and shelter. They maintain a facility on DeGrange street in Frederick where both men and women can get a bed for the night and food that local businesses have donated. Over the years, members of Faith church have volunteered their time to serve at this mission. If you would like to help, please see Bob Miller.

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 a meal together after the service.

Youth Group—6pm Sign up in the Narthex to bring the youth a meal. May 19th and 26th are the only remaining openings!

Opportunities:

Join us for Supper Tonight. After the Evening worship service at 5pm.

Will and Judi Traub are retiring from the mission field and would like to thank us for 24 years of supporting them. Join us next Sunday, April 21st at 5pm for Evening Worship and a message from Will. Please sign up at this QR code BY TODAY, so we can get an accurate count for food. Thanks everyone!

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.

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 at the church. (in April that's the 2nd, 16th, and 30th). All Men of Faith Church are invited to attend.

Coming Events:

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

Liberty University Chamber Singers will perform here at Faith Church on Saturday, May 4 at 7pm. Come out for a fantastic concert featuring our own Quentin Johnston!

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! 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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CareNet: Linda King 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

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Colombia Presbytery Ministries
Conexus LA: Kathryn Stephens
Equipping Leaders International: Manuel and Kim Padilla, Latin America
GCFM: Tom and Nancy Balma, Colorado
MNA: Hernando Saenz
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