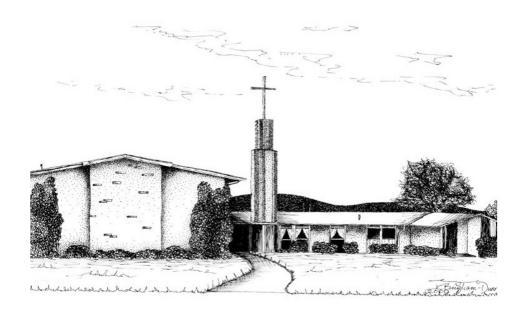


Presbyterian Church in America

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, February 25, 2024

<u>Visitors</u>, we are glad you're here! Please fill out the welcome card in the pew holder and place it in the offering plate or you can scan the QR code on the "Announcements" page, OR, you can click on 'Visitor Connect Card' on our app, so we know how best to serve you.

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

PRAISE

We Acknowledge God's Majesty

PRELUDE

*HYMN 34 The God of Abraham, Praise

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 24:4-7

Leader: One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after:

All: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple.

Leader: For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon

a rock.

All: And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

Leader: Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me and answer me! You have said, "Seek my face."

All: My heart says to you, "Your face, Lord, do I seek."

*PRAISE SONGS We Will Say on that Day
Come Ye Souls by Sin Afflicted

*INVOCATION

CORPORATE CONFESSION

All: Almighty God, we believe that you are coming again in power to judge the earth. But we confess that we have not lived as those who

daily expect your kingdom. We have spoken harsh words, thought impure thoughts, and lived casual lives. We have ignored your promised judgment by not loving you with our whole hearts or our neighbors as ourselves. Have mercy on us and forgive us for all our offenses. In your tender kindness, embrace us with your fatherly love, and fill our hearts with the joyful expectation of seeing you soon face to face. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalm 51:17

"The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise."

CONSECRATION

We Surrender Our Lives to Christ

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 6

*HYMN 486

God Be Merciful to Me

THE OFFERING

1 Timothy 6:10

"For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs."

OFFERTORY

*HYMN 732

Doxology

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

Warren Paire

SONG OF PREPARATION H

Have Mercy (Psalm 51) Praise Team

SCRIPTURE TEXT

1 Kings 18:41-46

SERMON

God Speaks, Rain

John Armstrong

*HYMN 465

Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

*Please stand as you are able

SERMON NOTES				

At Home Worship

Week 9

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.

Bible Reading

Monday, Feb. 26	Numbers 6-9
Tuesday, Feb. 27	Numbers 10-13; Psalm 90
Wednesday, Feb. 28	Numbers 14-16; Psalm 95
Thursday, Feb. 29	Numbers 17-20
Friday, March 1	Numbers 21-24
Saturday, March 2	Numbers 25-28

Heidleberg Catechism

19. Q. From where do you know this?

A. From the holy gospel, which God Himself first revealed in Paradise.[1] Later, He had it proclaimed by the patriarchs[2] and prophets,[3] and foreshadowed by the sacrifices and other ceremonies of the law.[4] Finally, He had it fulfilled through His only Son.[5]

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[1] Gen. 3:15. [2] Gen. 12:3; 22:18; 49:10. [3] Is. 53; Jer. 23:5, 6; Mic. 7:18-20; Acts 10:43; Heb. 1:1. [4] Lev. 1:7; John 5:46; Heb. 10:1-10. [5] Rom. 10:4; Gal. 4:4, 5; Col. 2:17.
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20. Q. Are all men, then, saved by Christ just as they perished through Adam?

A. No. Only those are saved who by a true faith are grafted into Christ and accept all His benefits.[1]

[1] Matt. 7:14; John 1:12; 3:16, 18, 36; Rom. 11:16-21.

Hymn: 420 At the Lamb's High Feast

A Look at Next Sunday

Sermon Text:	1Kings 19:1-18
Praise Music:	Rejoice My Faith Has Found a Resting Place Lord, Have Mercy
Hymns:	81 O love of God, How Strong and True 420 At the Lamb's High Feast

This Week at Faith

Sunday, Feb. 25	9:15am Sunday School 10:45am Worship service 12:00pm Children's Choir Rehearsal 5:00pm Evening Worship 6:00pm Youth Group
Monday, Feb. 26	7:00pm Adult choir Practice
Wednesday, Feb. 28	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 1	10:30am Friday Fiber Friends
Saturday, March 2	6:00pm Tongues of Fire XII Chili Cook Off
Sunday, March 3	9:15am Sunday School 10:45am Worship service—Communion will be served. 12:00pm Children's Choir Rehearsal 5:00pm Evening Worship 6:00pm Youth Group

Please Pray for:

World	Your persecuted brothers and sisters in Christ in Viet Nam, and for the conflicts in the Middle East & Ukraine.		
United States	Racial reconciliation and unity in our nation.		
PCA	Covenant Seminary.		
Faith Church	Our families to hold together tightly in Christ.		
Discipleship	Rich Rochford, adult Sunday School		
Music Ministry	y Tom Maestri, Praise Team		
1st Quarter Sun	nday School Offering Matthew DeLong with RUF International		

Missions Moment

The Gideons organization has one major goal: to spread the gospel by distributing Bibles to places like schools, hotels, hospitals, prisons, and at events like "In the Streets" and state fairs etc. Anyone who has stayed in a hotel will usually find a Gideon Bible in the nightstand. The Gideons have a local group in Frederick that meets twice a month, not just to plan Bible distributions but to engage in prayer. The need is greater than ever, as some hotels are owned by Muslims and do not permit placement of Bibles. And as our society becomes more and more anti-Christian the need to spread God's word is extremely urgent. If you would like to learn more about the Gideons please see Bob Miller.

Announcements

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. Join us to close out the Lord's Day together.

Youth Group—6pm

Last Call! The leadership is asking everyone to complete this four-question survey on Sunday Evening Worship. The survey is available here with this QR code, on Slack, in a group email, and a few paper copies are on the Narthex table. Please serve your leaders with your feedback. Today is the deadline.



Sanctuary Flowers. Have you admired the beautiful flowers at the front of the Sanctuary each Sunday? After worship they are donated to our church family members who are hurting or unable to attend church. Kathy Moore is overseeing this precious new ministry, so if you would like to help or donate, see Kathy. kathrynmoore43@gmail.com

Tongues of Fire XII – It is time again for our annual Chili Cook-off, this coming Saturday, March 2nd at 6:00PM. Competitors will be seeking to achieve the "Apron of Approbation." You can enter a chili, or provide corn bread, other sides or a dessert, or you can just come for the fun! Please sign up through our online registration form. On our website (www.faithreformed.org) or our app, under EVENTS.

Cookbook News! One of the benefits of creating a church cookbook is celebrating the recipes we all like to make and eat. Is there a recipe that you make for the youth group, a fellowship meal, or the ladies' tea that everyone loves, comments on, and requests the recipe? Please share it with the cookbook! The email address is fpccookbook@pa.net

The Care-Net Pregnancy Center's annual fundraising banquet is on 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.

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 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 EVENTS from either our website (www.faithreformed.org), or our app home screen.

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.

Hearing assistance and large print pew Bibles are available during the worship service.

Please contact an usher for assistance.



Visitors Connect!



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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