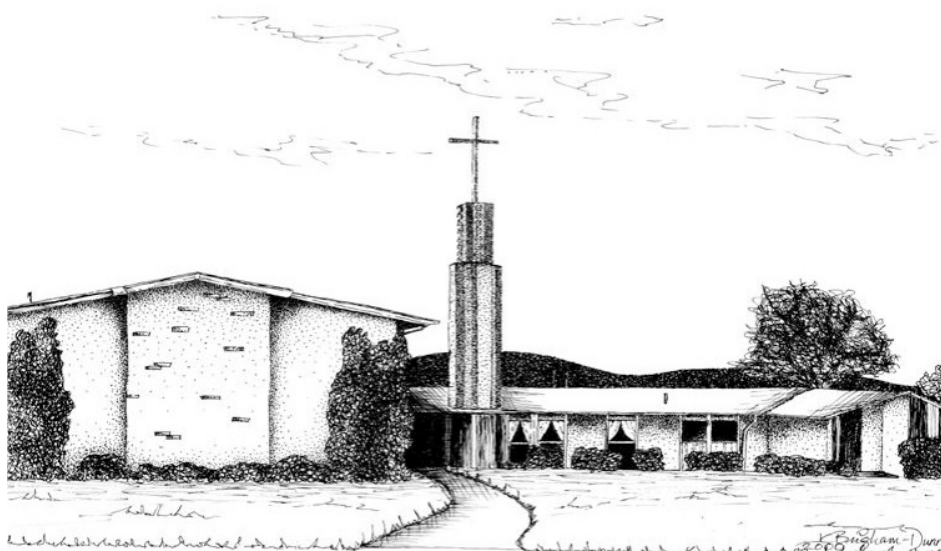


# Faith

## 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 9:15  
Worship Service at 10:45  
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.** We provide the opportunity to give during each service when the plates are passed, but 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](mailto:admin@faithreformed.org).

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

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

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**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, 9:15 \* Worship Service, 10:45 \* Evening Worship on 1st Sundays, 5pm

**Sunday, October 5, 2025**

# Prelude

\*Opening Song    Come People of the Risen King

**\*Call to Worship**    Leader:    The righteous shall be glad; they shall  
From Psalm 68                    exult before God; they shall be jubilant  
   with joy!

**All: Sing to God, sing praises to his name;  
lift up a song to him who rides  
through the deserts;**

**Leader:** His name is the Lord; exult before him!

**All: Bless God in the great congregation,  
the Lord, who is Israel's fountain!**

\*Praise Songs    The Lord Almighty Reigns (Psalm 93)  
Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me

### \*Invocation

\*Affirmation of Faith      The Nicene Creed  
Hymnal p. 846

## CONSECRATION: We Surrender Our Lives to Christ

Scripture Reading [Jude](#)

\*Hymn 570 Faith of Our Fathers

## The Offering

Malachi 3:10

“Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need.”

Offertory    God's Sufficient Word  
Faith Choir    by James Montgomery Boice

\*Hymn 731    Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of Intercession  
Matt Yost

Sermon    Shifting the Center  
Cyril Chavis Jr.    Genesis 1:1-3  
Reformed University Fellowship,  
Howard University

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## COMMUNION: God Confirms His Promises to Us

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Corporate    **All:** Lord Jesus Christ, sin is my malady, my  
Confession    monster, my foe, my viper; born in my  
birth, alive in my life, strong in my  
character, dominating my faculties,  
following me as a shadow, intermingling  
with my every thought, my chain that  
holds me captive. Yet Your  
compassions yearn over me, Your heart  
hastens to my rescue, Your love endured  
my curse, Your mercy bore my justice.  
Let me walk in humility, bathed in Your  
blood, tender of conscience, living in  
triumph as an heir of salvation, through  
Your blessed name.

Silent Confession

Sacrament of the    (Elements are gluten free)  
Lord's Supper

\*Hymn 605    All the Way My Savior Leads Me

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

\*Please stand as you are able.

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## For those who do not partake of the Lord's Supper

***Prayer for those Searching for Truth:***

***Prayer of Belief:***

Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through You, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

# At Home Worship This Week

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## 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. Oct. 5	<i>Epistles</i>	Hebrews 5-7
Mon. Oct. 6	<i>The Law</i>	Numbers 29-32
Tues. Oct. 7	<i>History</i>	2 Chronicles 11-15
Wed. Oct. 8	<i>Psalms</i>	Psalms 117-118
Thur. Oct. 9	<i>Poetry</i>	Proverbs 28
Fri. Oct. 10	<i>Prophecy</i>	Jonah
Sat. Oct. 11	<i>Gospels</i>	Acts 3-4

## Westminster Larger Catechism

**Q. 60. Can they who have never heard of the gospel, and so know not Jesus Christ, nor believe in him, be saved by their living according to the light of nature?**

A. They who, having never heard the gospel, know not Jesus Christ, and believe not in him, cannot be saved, be they never so diligent to frame their lives according to the light of nature, or the laws of that religion which they profess; neither is there salvation in any other, but in Christ alone, who is the Saviour only of his body the Church.

*Rom. 10:14; 2 Thess. 1:8-9; Eph. 2:12; John 1:10-12; John 8:24; Mark 16:16; 1 Cor. 1:20-24; John 4:22; Rom. 9:31-32; Phil. 3:4-9; Acts 4:12; Eph. 5:23.*

**Q. 61. Are all they saved who hear the gospel, and live in the Church?**

A. All that hear the gospel, and live in the visible Church, are not saved; but only they who are true members of the Church invisible.

*John 12:38-40; Rom. 9:6; Matt. 22:14; Matt. 7:21; Rom. 11:7.*

## Hymn:

689 Be Still My Soul

## Sermon Text for Next Week:

Exodus 20:8-11

# Prayer Requests

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## World

Pray for your persecuted brothers and sisters in Christ in Egypt; 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 keep the Gospel message clear and true in our country, and that many, many will respond to His call in coming weeks.

## PCA

Committee on Discipleship Ministries

## Faith Church

Pray for the numerous outreach activities scheduled this month to yield great spiritual fruit in our church and community...Trunk & Treat, Inquirer's Class, Youth Corn Maze, as well as all the regular Bible studies and prayer groups.

## Discipleship Ministry

Melissa Soe—Youth Group

## Music Ministry

Gwen Grant—Choir Director

## 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Sunday School Offering

Youth For Christ, *Arn Bjorndal*

## Faith Church Supported Missionaries and Ministries

Beyond Shelter, *Frederick Nick Brown*

## October 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.

# This Week at Faith

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<b>Sunday, Oct. 5</b> <b>Communion Sunday</b>	9:15am	Sunday School
	10:45am	Worship service
	12:00pm	Children's Choir Rehearsal
	5:00pm	Youth Group
	<b>5:30pm</b>	<b>Evening Worship</b>
<b>Monday, Oct. 6</b>	7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal
<b>Wednesday, Oct. 8</b>	12:00pm	Men's Lunch Bunch
	7:00pm	Prayer meeting online
<b>Thursday, Oct. 9</b>	7:00pm	ESL Ministry
<b>Friday, Oct. 10</b>	10:30am	Fiber Fellowship
<b>Saturday, Oct. 11</b>	10:30am	Downtown Christian Fellowship
<b>Sunday, Oct. 12</b>	9:15am	Sunday School for All Ages
	10:45am	Worship Service
	12:00pm	Children's Choir Rehearsal
	5:00pm	Youth Group

## Announcements

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**Join Us This Evening** for evening worship, and a fellowship meal at 5:30pm. The church will provide pizza; please bring a side or dessert to share if you'd like.

**4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Directory is Published!** If you didn't receive it via email or Slack, reach out to Heidi at [admin@faithreformed.org](mailto:admin@faithreformed.org)

**Cards for Janet Seabolt** There is a box at the Welcome Table for those who can send greetings and prayers as Janet recovers from bypass surgery in Gaithersburg. Cards will be taken to her at least weekly.

**Are you interested in supporting the work of Global Missions?** The Faith Church Global Missions Committee is looking for Church members with a passion for supporting the spread of the Gospel, and seeing Churches planted worldwide! Whether you have a desire to pray for missionaries, support missionaries preparing to go, or are considering going yourself (short term or long term), consider joining our committee. Contact Bert Hauver.



**Message from our Sister Church, Good News Pres:** Our church, Good News Presbyterian, hosts a Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEFMaryland.org) Good News Club at Tuscarora Elementary on Wednesdays, 3:30-5:00 p.m. The Lord is blessing this ministry as over 100 children are attending each week and I write to ask if any believers in your congregation would be interested in serving with us! Anyone interested should contact Elizabeth Eaton 410-493-3061 or [skinnersbyte@icloud.com](mailto:skinnersbyte@icloud.com)

**Youth Group Meals.** One of the ways we bless our youth is to serve a meal for them each week. Our group is much larger this year, praise the Lord! If you're able to provide a meal for 20-25 people, please sign up in the Narthex.

**New Bible Study.** Join Bruce and Terri Brierly in the study of Ezra and Nehemiah at their house in Middletown on Wednesdays at 6:30pm, tentatively starting October 15<sup>th</sup>. Please sign up at the Welcome Table.

**Men's Bible Study with Charlie Van Meter** just started the book of Zechariah on 9/16. The group meets on alternating Tuesdays at noon at the church, next ones are 10/14 and 10/28. All men are welcome!

**Are You Connected?** If you're not receiving our weekly email, monthly Tapestry magazine, prayer requests, etc., it might be because you're not subscribed! Contact Heidi at [admin@faithreformed.org](mailto:admin@faithreformed.org) to sign up.

## Coming Events

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### **Youth Group Corn Maze, Saturday Oct. 18, 6:00pm**

See Quentin for more details.

### **Inquirer's Class, Saturday, Oct. 25, 10am-2pm**

Are you thinking about joining the church? Just interested in getting to know us better? This class is for you! Join us in the Fellowship Hall to understand the foundational beliefs of the PCA--Lunch is included! **Sign up at the Welcome Table!**

### **TRUNK & TREAT, Saturday, Oct. 25 4:30-6pm**

Sign up in the Narthex to dress up your car and pass out your own treats and/or bring your kids and grandkids to enjoy the costumes and positive holiday fun. There will be a chili supper for those who decorate their cars.

### **Ladies' Christmas Luncheon, Saturday, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>, 11am.**

Save the Date!

# Get Involved!

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Contact any of these leaders through the Church Directory or on Slack. (Email Heidi at [admin@FaithReformed.org](mailto: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 1<sup>st</sup> 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

**Nursery Ministry**, Julie Nardi, Robin  
Willis

**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](mailto: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

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## Ezra and Nehemiah

Wednesday evenings, starting  
October 15 at the Brierlys' in  
Middletown. Bruce Brierly

## Journey Through the Bible

Thursdays 6AM, Mountain  
View Diner, 1300 W. Patrick  
St. Frederick. Clark Adams

## 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.  
Arliiss Veldhuizen

## Ladies' Bible Study

Sanctuary: Third Saturdays  
8:45am. Christine Stalnaker

## Ladies' Book Study

Fellowship Hall, alternate  
Wednesdays 1:30pm  
Mary Hudzinski

## 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  
Bert Hauver

## 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 August 2025

Income: 374,160

Expenses: 331,946

Surplus: 42,214

Building Fund Contributions for FY25 are 54,850

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**\*\*John is on sabbatical until Dec. 11.** Contact the office 301-662-0662 [admin@faithreformed.org](mailto:admin@faithreformed.org)

## 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 Farmers International: *Frank and Cindy Sindler, Africa*

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

GCFM: *Tom and Nancy Balma, University of Denver, Colorado*

GEM: *Chris and Emily Moreland, Greece*

MNA: *Hernando Saenz*

MTW: *Melanie Johnson, Japan*

MTW: *John and Rachel Clifford, Rwanda*

MTW: *Jon and Olya Powell, Ukraine*

MTW: *Jim and Karen, West Africa*

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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