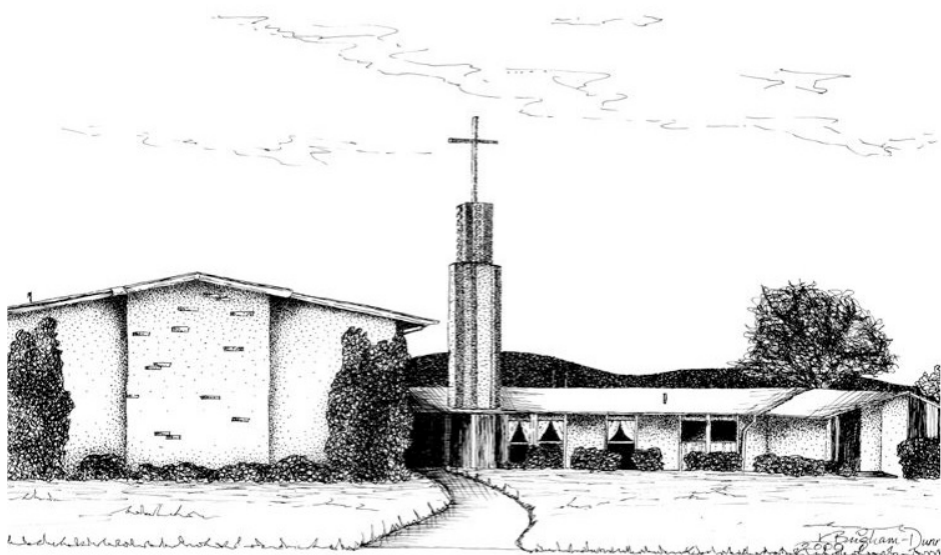


Faith

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.

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 17, 2025

PRAISE: We Acknowledge God's Majesty

Prelude

Faith Praise Team

The Lord Almighty Reigns (Psalm 93)

*Hymn 529

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

*Call to Worship

From Psalm 94

Leader: Blessed is the man whom you discipline, O Lord, and whom you teach out of your law,

**All: For the Lord will not forsake his people;
he will not abandon his heritage;**

Leader: Justice will return to the righteous, and all the upright in heart will follow it.

**All: For the Lord has become my stronghold,
and my God the rock of my refuge.**

*Praise Songs

As For Me and My House
Jesus, Thank You

*Invocation

Corporate
Confession

All: Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts; cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to You, confessing our faults, confiding in Your grace, and finding in You, our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ Your Son. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon
Psalm 94:12,14

“Blessed is the man whom You discipline,
O LORD, and whom You teach out of Your
law, For the LORD will not forsake his
People; he will not abandon his heritage.”

CONSECRATION: We Surrender Our Lives to Christ

Scripture Reading [1 John 1](#)

*Hymn 501 Just As I Am

The Offering “Offer right sacrifices and put your trust in
Psalm 4:5 the LORD.”

Offertory

*Hymn 732 Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of Intercession
Rich Rochford

Sermon The Lord My Stronghold
John Armstrong [Psalm 94](#)

*Final Hymn Psalm 94 (See next page)

*Benediction

*Postlude

**Please stand as you are able.*

Sermon Notes

Psalm 94

(Tune: "Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken")

1. God of vengeance, O Jehovah,
God of vengeance, O shine forth!
Rise up, O You Judge of Nations!
Render to the proud their worth.
O LORD, how long shall the wicked,
How long shall the wicked boast?
Arrogant the words they pour out,
Ill men all, a taunting host.

2. They, Jehovah, crush Your people
And Your heritage distress;
They kill sojourner and widow,
Murder they the fatherless.
And they say, "Jehovah sees not;
Jacob's God does not have eyes."
Understand, O foolish people!
When, O fools, will you be wise?

3. Who the ear made,
does He hear not?
Who formed eyes,
does He not see?
Who warns nations,
does He smite not?
Who men teaches, knows not He?
All the thoughts of men the LORD
sees,
Knows that but a breath are they.
Bless'd the man whom
You chastise, LORD,
Whom You teach to know Your Way.

4. Give him rest from days of
trouble, Till the wicked be o'erthrown.
Our LORD will not leave His people,
Will abandon not His own.
When to every verdict given
Justice shall come back again,
Everyone whose heart is upright
Will see righteous judgment then.

5. Who for me withstands the
wicked?
Who against wrong pleads for me?
If the LORD were not my helper,
Soon my soul would silent be.
If I say, "My foot is slipping!"
LORD, Your mercy will uphold.
When my anxious thoughts are
many,
How Your comforts cheer my soul!

6. Can destructive rulers join You
And by law disorder build?
They conspire against the righteous,
Sentence just ones to be killed.
But the LORD is still my stronghold;
God my Refuge, will repay.
He'll for sin wipe out the wicked;
Them the LORD our God will slay.

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. 17	<i>Epistles</i>	1 Timothy 1:3
Mon. Aug. 18	<i>The Law</i>	Numbers 1-4
Tues. Aug. 19	<i>History</i>	1 Chronicles 5-9
Wed. Aug. 20	<i>Psalms</i>	Psalms 96-98
Thur. Aug. 21	<i>Poetry</i>	Proverbs 17-18
Fri. Aug. 22	<i>Prophecy</i>	Daniel 7-12
Sat. Aug. 23	<i>Gospels</i>	John 5-6

Westminster Larger Catechism

Q. 47. How did Christ humble himself in his conception and birth?

A. Christ humbled himself in his conception and birth, in that, being from all eternity the Son of God, in the bosom of the Father, he was pleased in the fullness of time to become the son of man, made of a woman of low estate, and to be born of her; with divers circumstances of more than abasement.

John 1:14, 18; Gal. 4:4; Luke 2:7.

Q. 48. How did Christ humble himself in his life?

A. Christ humbled himself in his life, by subjecting himself to the law, which he perfectly fulfilled; and by conflicting with the indignities of the world, temptations of Satan, and infirmities in his flesh, whether common to the nature of man, or particularly accompanying that his low condition.

Gal. 4:4; Matt. 5:17; Rom. 5:19; Ps. 22:6; Heb. 12:2-3; Matt. 4:1-12; Luke 4:13; Heb. 2:17-18; Heb. 4:15; Isa. 52:13-14.

Hymn:

707 Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

Sermon Text for Next Week:

Psalms 95

Prayer Requests

World

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

United States

Ask the Lord to have mercy on our leaders at every level: local, state, and federal. Ask Him to reward godliness and integrity in our leaders and to promote personal responsibility and spiritual truth everywhere in our nation.

PCA

RUF (Reformed University Fellowship)

Faith Church

Pray for ESL, Youth Group, Sunday School Classes, and Small Groups as they prepare to launch a new season in September. Ask the Lord to make these ministries spiritually fruitful to continue growing us in grace.

Discipleship Ministry

Grace Rochford—Small Group Leader

Music Ministry

Collin Kenny—Praise Team

3rd Quarter Sunday School Offering

John and Rachel Clifford, MTW, Rwanda

Faith Church Supported Missionaries and Ministries

MTW (Mission to the World): John and Rachel Clifford, Rwanda

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 (Art 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 17	9:15am Sunday School 10:45am Worship service
Wednesday, August 20	12:00pm Men's Lunch Bunch 7:00pm Prayer meeting online
Saturday, August 23	10:30am Downtown Chr. Fellowship
Sunday, August 24	9:15am Sunday School 10:45am Worship service 12:00pm Congregational Meeting 3:00pm Annual Church Picnic

Announcements

Congregational Meeting, Sunday August 24

There will be a brief, informational meeting immediately after the worship service next Sunday, August 24. 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.

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**--training is available. 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!

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.

Freezer Meals Needed



Two families (the Adamses 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).

Church Picnic Details

Join us for our Annual Church Picnic next Sunday, August 24, 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.*

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 August 19 & September 2.

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

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
Will resume in September

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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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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