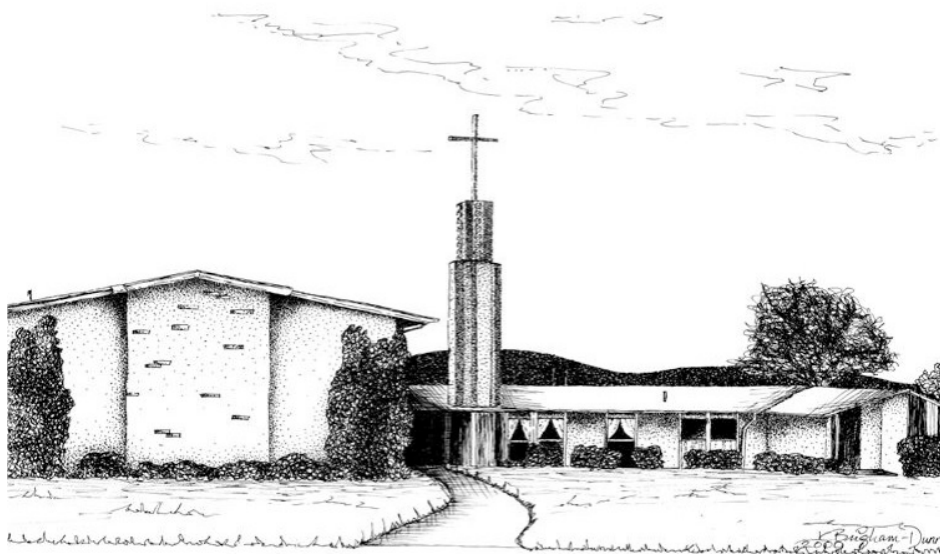


Faith CHURCH

Presbyterian Church in America

A Worshiping Community of Grace



...Worship the LORD
in the splendor of his holiness...

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boundless grace, let me hear your voice assuring me: that by your stripes I am healed, that you were bruised for my iniquities, that you have been made sin for me that I might be righteous in you, that my grievous sins, my manifold sins, are all forgiven, buried in the ocean of your concealing blood. I am guilty, but pardoned, lost, but saved, wandering, but found, sinning, but cleansed. Give me perpetual broken-heartedness, keep me always clinging to your cross, and flood me every moment with descending grace, open to me the springs of divine knowledge, sparkling like crystal, flowing clear and unsullied through my wilderness of life. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalm 130:3-4

“If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.”

CONSECRATION We Surrender Our Lives to Christ

SCRIPTURE READING

Galatians 3

*HYMN 461 Not What My Hands Have Done

THE OFFERING

Proverbs 11:1

“A false balance is an abomination to the LORD, but a just weight is his delight.”

OFFERTORY

*HYMN 731 Doxology

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

Bruce Brierly

SCRIPTURE TEXT

Ephesians 2:1-10

SERMON

Sola Gratia

John Armstrong

*HYMN 695 By Grace I am an Heir of Heaven

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

*Please stand as you are able

At Home Worship

Week 20

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 Heidelberg Catechism, and a [hymn](#) for you to learn together.

Bible Reading

Monday, May 13	Psalms 97-99
Tuesday, May 14	2 Samuel 24; 1 Chronicles 21-22; Psalm 30
Wednesday, May 15	Psalms 108-109
Thursday, May 16	1 Chronicles 23-26
Friday, May 17	Psalms 131, 138, 139, 143, 144, 145
Saturday, May 18	1 Chronicles 27-29; Psalm 68

Heidelberg Catechism

41. Q. Why was he buried?

A. His burial testified that He had really died.[1]

[1] *Is. 53:9; John 19:38-42; Acts 13:29; 1 Cor. 15:3,4.*

42. Q. Since Christ has died for us, why do we still have to die?

A. Our death is not a payment for our sins, but it puts an end to sin and is an entrance into eternal life.[1]

[1] *John 5:24; Phil. 1:21-23; 1 Thess. 5:9, 10.*

Hymn: 499 Rock of Ages

A Look at Next Sunday

Sermon Text:	Romans 3:21-26
Praise Music:	Crown Him With Many Crowns Let the Nations Be Glad Behold Our God
Hymns:	251 Beneath The Cross of Jesus 499 Rock of Ages

This Week at Faith

Sunday, May 12 Happy Mother's Day!	9:15am Sunday School 10:45am Worship service 12:00pm Children's Choir Rehearsal 3:45pm Communicants' Class 5:00pm Evening Worship No Youth Group
Monday, May 13	7:00pm Adult choir Practice
Tuesday, May 14	5:00pm Men's Bible Study with Charlie Van Meter
Wednesday, May 15	12:00pm Men's Lunch Bunch in the Fellowship Hall 6:30pm Praise team practice 7:00pm Prayer meeting in the Fellowship Hall and online
Friday, May 17	10:30am Friday Fiber Friends
Saturday, May 18	8:30am Men's Breakfast 8:45am Women's Bible Study 10:30am VBS Planning Meeting
Sunday, May 19	9:15am Sunday School 10:45am Worship service—Children's Choir sings 12:15pm Fellowship Lunch 3:45pm Communicants' Class 5:00pm Evening Worship 6:00pm Youth Group

Please Pray for:

World	Your persecuted brothers and sisters in Christ in Cameroon, and for the conflict in the Middle East.
United States	Mothers on this Mothers' Day to lift their eyes to You in gratitude.
PCA	Covenant Seminary
Faith Church	Our coming fellowship & outreach activities (VBS, Church Retreat, CareNet campaign, summer small groups) to produce much fruit
Discipleship	Megan Yost--Elementary
Music Ministry	Kendyl Cooper, Pianist
2nd Quarter Sunday School Offering	Gideons International

May Missions Moment

Featured this month are John and Rachel Clifford. John, from Cape Town, South Africa, and his wife Rachel, from the U.S., have dedicated their lives to mission work across Africa. They settled in Kigali, Rwanda, after John studied at Reformed Theological Seminary in Washington D.C. In Kigali, they support new church plants, train leaders at a Bible college, and manage a missionary internship program, aiming to make Kigali a hub for dispatching missionaries and church leaders throughout Africa. Their work is crucial in developing gospel-centered communities across the continent.

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. Join us for Worship. No Youth Group tonight.

CareNet Baby Bottle Campaign. Take home a baby bottle from the Narthex table and bring it back filled with your spare change. This is a great fundraiser for kids to help with! The campaign lasts from Mothers’ Day (today) to Fathers’ Day (June 16).

ALL VBS Volunteers, Please attend the planning meeting in the Fellowship Hall, THIS Saturday, May 18 from 10:30 to 12pm. VBS dates are **June 24-28, 2024** Please see Robin Willis or Hannah Paugh with any questions. And PRAY for VBS!!

Small Group Leaders Needed! On June 9th, plan to stay after worship for a short meeting with Reid Wilson, describing the 5-week leadership training being offered this summer. Current, past, and future leaders are welcome.

2024 Faith Church Photo Directory. A more relaxed version this time. You can submit your own photo (a head and shoulders shot of individuals; couples and families should be together on one photo). OR, you can have your picture taken here at church. Sign up in the Narthex for a timeslot between Sunday School and Worship on any Sunday in May. Kim Cramer is our photographer. The new photo directory will be distributed electronically in early July, Lord willing!

Women’s Summer Book Club. Across three Summer Mondays we will discuss the book, “To Fly Again: Surviving the tailspins of life” by Gracia Burnham (available on Amazon or free on the Hoopla app) First meeting is June 17th at Christine Kiewit’s home (8105 Frosty Field Ct. Frederick). Dinner at 6, Book discussion at 7 (introduction through chapter 6). Find more details and sign up on the Narthex Hospitality Table.

Men’s Bible Study. First Peter with Charlie Van Meter meets every other Tuesday from 5-6pm at the church. In May that will be the 14th and the 28th. All men are welcome!

Cookbook Deadline—August 31! Submit your recipes to fpccookbook@pa.net, or on the paper forms in the Narthex. See Mary Hudzinski with any questions.

Coming Events:

National Christian Choir is performing a free concert at Potomac Valley Assembly in Germantown, this Saturday, May 18 at 4:00pm. www.nationalchristianchoir.org

Saturday, May 18, Men’s Breakfast at 8am, Ladies Bible Study in the Sanctuary at 8:45am (This is the last Ladies Bible Study before summer break. Resuming in September)

Fellowship Lunch, May 19 Plan to stay after the Worship Service. No need to bring anything but your appetite!

Spring Sparkle Day! On Saturday, May 25, take the opportunity to serve your church by helping to clean and improve the physical building. Things on the list include weeding and mulching the playground, inspecting playground equipment, dusting/cleaning HVAC vent areas, and cleaning the gutters. We’ll start at nine and end with pizza at lunchtime.

Church Retreat Registration is OPEN! Deadline is Next Sunday, May 19!

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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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