We plan to worship outside this week. The service will be recorded and posted on the church website later that day or as soon as possible on Monday. Live streaming will only be available in the event of rain. When we worship inside, we will utilize the YouTube live stream. Additionally, past services will be archived so you can stay up-to-date or relive your favorite Sunday morning moments. You can find the link on our website or check it out at <a href="https://bit.ly/FPClive">https://bit.ly/FPClive</a>

Worship Assistant: Carolyn Baittinger Communion: Andy Ingram Usher: John Baittinger

Good morning and welcome! Let us worship God who creates all things, came as Jesus to save the world and breathes life into us through the Holy Spirit. Amen.

NOTE: Sheet music for hymns can be found at the end of this document.



## Order of Worship October 4, 2020

#### Faith Presbyterian Church of Emmaus

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#### THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

<u>10:00 AM</u> OCTOBER 4, 2020

#### THE FIRST NOTE OF THE PRELUDE begins our worship.

Please use the prelude time to turn your attention to God's presence and help. Nurturing our relationships and friendships in fellowship is essential to our life as a congregation, so please continue to do so following our time of worship.

\*Those who are able are invited to stand.

#### FOCUSING UPON GOD'S PRESENCE AND VOICE

PRELUDE

"Come to the Table"

HYUN CHUL LEE

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Sing to the Lord, whose mercy is from everlasting to everlasting!

#### Many: But how can we sing the Lord's song when so many are without?

One: Sing to the Lord, whose faithfulness renews us every morning!

#### Many: But how can we sing the Lord's song when so many are gone?

- One: Sing to the Lord, who has not forgotten the melodies of salvation!
- Many: Let us remember the joy of the Lord, and sing a new song together!

#### \*OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN #506	"Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table"	
(The soloists will sing	the hymn. You are invited to follow along in the hymnal and	

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#### LITANY OF AFFIRMATION

Leader: Gracious God, who made a covenant with our ancestors, we gather here today as a rebellious people. We want to act out your intentions for us, but we get sidetracked by the false glitter of the world. You tell us to honor Creation But we use other people, animals, and plants for our own gain. You offer bread to every living creature, and we steal that bread from our brothers and sisters in the name of greed. You promise us new life, but we shrink back in fear, clinging to our death-dealing ways. Heal us, O Lord, lest we destroy ourselves and the planet. We need your healing presence among us, that your good intentions for all of creation might be fulfilled at last Through Jesus Christ we pray, Amen. *(A moment is given for silent confession to God.)* 

#### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

#### \*SHARING THE PEACE

Leader: Since God has forgiven us, let us also forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

#### People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us share our forgiven joy with one another.

#### \*HYMN OF ASSURANCE #581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,

World without end. Amen, Amen.

#### THE WORD OF GOD TO THE CHURCH

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

<sup>1</sup>The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

<sup>2</sup>Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.

<sup>3</sup>There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;

<sup>4</sup>yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun,

<sup>5</sup>which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy, and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

<sup>6</sup>Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them; and nothing is hid from its heat.

<sup>7</sup>The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the LORD are sure, making wise the simple;

<sup>8</sup>the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eyes;

<sup>9</sup>the fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

<sup>10</sup>More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.

GLORIA PATRI

PSALM 19:1-14

<sup>11</sup>Moreover by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

<sup>12</sup>But who can detect their errors? Clear me from hidden faults.

<sup>13</sup>Keep back your servant also from the insolent; do not let them have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.

<sup>14</sup>Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

SONG #733 "We All Are One in Mission" Es FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN

(The soloists will sing the hymn. You are invited to follow along in the hymnal and reflect on the words. May this be a time of prayer for you!)

#### SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

PHILIPPIANS 3:4B-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: <sup>5</sup>circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; <sup>6</sup>as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. <sup>7</sup>Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. <sup>8</sup>More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ <sup>9</sup> and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. <sup>10</sup>I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, <sup>11</sup> if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. <sup>12</sup>Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. <sup>13</sup>Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, <sup>14</sup>I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

SERMON	"Living a Marathon"	REV. REBECCA MALLOZZI
ANTHEM	"In Remembrance of Me"	BURYL RED
APOSTLES' CREED		GLORY TO GOD HYMNAL – PG. 35

GATHERING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

#### OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

CALL FOR OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY

"When at This Table"

JANE MARSHALL

<u>GLORY TO GOD HYMNAL</u> – PG. 35 (Please use "debts & debtors".)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

#### CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION INVITATION TO THE TABLE PRAYERS/LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

#### And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

#### We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

#### It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise for you looked upon all your hands wrought and called it good. You smile upon purple mountains soaring above wildflower plains where grasses raise their backs to meet your Spirit's caress. You send clouds scuttling across reflective waters and set stars to wink upon the earth in deep, knowing delight. You call the tune for dolphins dancing in the play of waves. As giraffes amble across savannahs, birds sing in full-throated praise and children of various hues giggle as they run free in your image. Despite your created goodness, we use our freedom for ourselves alone without regard for your intentions for all. Still, you chase after us to save us from sin's harm, freeing us from slavery to give us a new world flowing with milk and honey. When we chase after other gods, you call us back to you through cries of prophets, which we ignore, until at last you send your own child to be for us the goodness we refuse. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with the choir of creation and all the saints of all times and places who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed are you, O Christ, for coming to us as a little child to live baptized in the muck of our fallen world. Embodying God's desire to bless all people you spoke peace to a war-mongering empire, and were blessed to be a blessing to all people. When threatened with the terror of crucifixion, you did not keep silent but stood up with resurrection new life to turn the bread of human affliction into manna from heaven, and to turn the bitter dregs of sin into the cup of joyful celebration. So as we await your coming among us In the fullness of your sovereign glory, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

#### Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Praised be you, Holy Spirit, blowing through time to enliven your people, the church, to live as Christ's body, in God's ministry of repairing our broken world. Come hover over us now with your bright brooding wings in the breaking of bread and in the celebration of this cup, that our eyes may be opened to recognize Christ among us and in all who share in this feast. Knit us more closely together in the fellowship of your sovereign Way. We offer ourselves, our lives, our resources, to be your hands reaching into the world with your unfathomable compassion. Fill us like breath fills flutes to be instruments of your peace. Where there is lack of regard for your creation

#### Prod us to speak up.

Where people fail to see the dignity of all persons,

#### Open blind eyes.

Where there is silence about others being hurt,

#### Impassion us with a desire for justice.

Lord, your creation groans under abuse.

#### Renew the earth with goodness.

Your children are starving across the globe. To those who hunger

#### Give bread.

And to those who have bread

#### Give hunger for justice.

People languish in prisons, some unjustly, some without repentance, and some for standing up for your Way.

#### Release the captives, Lord.

O God, our sovereign, leaders in all lands take bribes and afflict their peoples.

#### Topple oppressive powers with your rule and send the rich away empty.

Your church luxuriates in the comfort of faith;

#### Send us to be your servants in the service of the world.

The sick suffer forgotten pain.

#### Heal their hurts in body, mind and spirit.

People have solicited our prayers and others needing our prayers weigh heavy on our hearts so we offer these, our prayers to you in this moment of silence.

Gather all these prayers and praise and join them with those of all the saints and with our Great High Priest who taught us to pray, saying . . .

#### GIFTS OF GOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD

#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (unison)

Help us rise in your resurrection power from this table where you, the Ruler of the Universe, have served us by your own hand, that we may extend your arms of peace to a world at war. This we ask through Christ, in Christ, with Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit. May all honor and glory and dominion be yours now and forevermore. Amen.

*SENDING SONG	"Hallelujah"	SOUTH AFRICAN
*CHARGE & BENEDICTION		
*POSTLUDE	"Fanfare"	ERIC THIMAN

LORD'S SUPPER 506 Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table! 1 Look who gath - ers at Christ's ta - ble! Hear the sto - ries 2 Clouds of light sur - round the ta - ble; an - cient fol - low -3 Their sad sto - ries are re - peat - ed in a thou-sand 4 Bring your joy and bring your sad - ness, and pre - pare to bring. that they are laugh - ing; Some are weep-ing; some saints con - fess - ing how they wres - tled ap - pear, ers thing dif - ferent ways, but they share one in com - mon: sur - prised by the host whose hands are wound-ed, be some have songs they want to sing. Oth - ers ask why they're in with their guilt, their doubt and fear. Pe - ter tells of his deall they end in thanks and praise for the host who has in who will o - pen wide your eyes when he bless - es bread and bur - dened by the wrong they've done. Christ in - sists they vit - ed, Christ was ev - er in his sight; Paul re - lates his ny - ing vit - ed north and south and east and west to con-verge a breaks it truth and man - na from a - bove!—and then pass - es This text celebrates the radical hospitality that characterizes Christ's welcome, which transcends time and reaches in all directions (Matthew 8:11/Luke 13:29). Saints of old are, like us, people in need of forgiveness, and the response to such pardon is "thanks and praise." TEXT: Thomas H. Troeger, 2000 COPELAND MUSIC: Michael Corzine, 2000 8.7.8.7.D Text © 2002 Oxford University Press Music © 2000 Michael Corzine all wel - come. There is for ev - ery - one. are room fruit - less ef - forts to ob - lit er \_ ate the light. round this ta - ble, where all life is fed and blest. wine that wak - ens in your heart the taste of love.

DISCIPLESHIP AND MISSION



A Lutheran pastor wrote this text in response to a bishop's letter that said, "Our mission is to touch the lives of others with Christ's love." This theme is made stronger by recognizing that shared purposes do not require the denial of diversity but are enriched by it.

TEXT: Rusty Edwards, 1985, alt.

MUSIC: Memmingen ms., 17th cent.; harm. George Ratcliffe Woodward, 1904 Text © 1986 Hope Publishing Company

## Faith Life

SUNDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2020

Please join us on Zoom for Fellowship on Sunday Mornings following Worship. The link for Sunday Morning Fellowship can be found in the Thursday email blast. If you would like to be added to the list to receive these emails, please contact the office.



In a spirit of love and care, we are increasing our sanctuary worship limit to 50 people. This decision is in light of recent improvements to our ventilation system, and changes to state quidelines.

## MORE OUTDOOR WORSHIP!

By popular demand! Weather permitting, we will worship outside again by the gathering space on the following dates\*

- MARK YOUR CALENDARS October 4
- October 18

As before, please bring your own chairs. In the event of inclement weather, an email alert and website homepage notice will indicate a change to indoor worship.

\* Sundays not listed above have prescheduled music or special events not logistically feasible for outdoor worship.

## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS NEEDED!

We need volunteers! Please consider volunteering via Signup Genius on the church website under 'Volunteer Opportunities. It's really easy. You may participate in person, or via video recording. And all God's people said, "Thanks, y'all!"

## PRE-K-5 ONLINE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Inviting all Preschool through 5th graders to join us for online Sunday school the last Sunday of each month at 9:00 AM. It will be great to see each other's faces again as we catch up and learn about being a friend in God's way. We will finish up in time for those who are going to church in person to get in the car or for the rest of us to tune into worship online. Hope to see you there! Any questions contact Cathy at cathyzwiese@gmail.com or 248-622-1672.

Oct 25, 2020 ..... 9:00 AM

The link for these Sunday school classes can be found in the Thursday email blast. If you would like to be added to the list to receive these emails, please contact the office.

READING GROUP

Michael Davis is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting. Topic: Reading Group

Time: Nov 11, 2020 07:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada) The link for this meeting can be found in the Thursday email blast.

#### PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING PEACE AT ALL TIMES IN ALL WAY

The Peace & Global Witness Offering draws Presbyterians together, and provides education and exposure to those who show us how to do peacemaking well. It allows us to create resources for dealing with conflict and provide nurturing reconciliation, and stand in support of our global sisters and brothers, because the peace of Christ belongs to people everywhere.

The Peace & Global Witness Offering encourages the church to cast off anxiety and fear, discord and division, and embrace our reconciling God's mission to those around the corner and around the world.

A gift to the **Peace & Global Witness Offering** enables the church to promote the Peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice across the world.

Individual congregations are encouraged to utilize up to 25% of the Peace & Global Witness Offering to sustain their local peacemaking ministries. We will be giving our 25% to East Penn Neighbors Helping Neighbors. Their mission is to serve families within the East Penn School District through multi-faceted short-term assistance in order to help restore and sustain healthy, independent living.

Mid councils retain an additional 25% for ministries of peace and reconciliation. Lehigh Presbytery uses their 25% to fund churches mission projects. Faith Presbyterian Church has been a recipient of this fund.

The remaining 50% is used by the Presbyterian Mission Agency to advocate for peace and justice in cultures of violence, including our own, through collaborative projects of education and Christian witness.

The Peace & Global Witness Offering is received during the Season of Peace, which ends on World Communion Sunday, October 4.

In 2019, Faith Presbyterian Church received \$2189.00, with \$547.25 going towards support of *East Penn Neighbors Helping* Neighbors.

On October 4, World Communion Sunday, please prayerfully consider contributing to this worthy program.

## TWO WEEKS OF FAITH

This calendar is prepared a few days prior to distribution. Please see the church website for the most up-to-date information.

#### This Week

Sunday, October 4 Peace & Global Witness Offering 10:00 AM— Outdoor Worship Service—Communion 5:00 PM— Youth Group (Outside)

Monday, October 5 Noon— Meditation (Facebook Live) 7:00 pm— Discipleship Committee (Zoom)

Tuesday, October 6 Pastor's Study Leave 7:00 PM— Stewardship Committee (Zoom) Church Office Closed

Wednesday, October 7 6:00 PM— Bell Choir Rehearsal (S) Church Office Closed

Church Office Closed

Thursday, October 8

9:45 AM— Women's Spiritual Study Group (Zoom) 7:00 PM— Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

Friday, October 9

Saturday, October 10

## Next Week

Sunday, October 11 10:00 AM— Worship Service 5:00 PM— Youth Group (Outside)

Monday, October 12 Noon— Meditation (Facebook Live)

Tuesday, October 13 7:00 PM— Session (Zoom)

Wednesday, October 14 6:00 PM— Bell Choir Rehearsal (S) 7:00 PM— EPNHN (P)

Thursday, October 15 9:45 AM— Women's Spiritual Study Group (Zoom) 7:00 PM— Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

Friday, October 16

Church Office Closed

Saturday, October 17 10:00 AM— Crazy Quilters (FH)

### Scrip Orders are due October 11.

## College Student Goodie Boxes

Starting in October, the deacons will be collecting items to send "goodie boxes" to our Faith college students. Please look for the collection boxes in Fellowship Hall. Examples of items: protein, granola, or breakfast bars, pretzels, cracker packs, hot cocoa mix, gum, cookie packs, tea. (The last day will be Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>.)

We will be mailing the goodie boxes in time for their fall semester final exams. Our hope is that their arrival will bring a smile to each young person's face, help reduce their stress level during this important time in their college careers, and know that Faith Church is thinking of them and wishing them well.

If you have a current college student in your family, or are one, please make sure your deacon or Lynda (our office administrator) has a current college address or the correct home address if you are attending college virtually.

Thank you. Any questions, see Elaine Smits or Donna Call.

## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

The office will return to new normal hours beginning September 14. Those hours are Mondays and Thursdays only from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. If office work has been completed, she may leave early.

For now, Lynda will continue to work from her home on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Keep the following in mind, if you need her to provide you with reports or materials that can be found only on the church computer, you need to contact her on Tuesdays until September 14, and then on Mondays.

IT'S YOUR DAY!	10/6	Donna Hill, Nancy O'Leary, Donald Perry
HAPPY BIRTHDAY	10/7	Ellen Bender, Tiffany Laboy, Andy Millick, Melanie Shimer
7-7. A	10/10	Brad Mitchell

## LOOKING AHEAD ...

\*No Sunday School

Oct. 11 Scrip Orders Due
Oct. 12 Columbus Day: Church Office closed
Oct. 25 Stewardship Sunday
Nov. 1 Daylight Savings Time Ends
Nov. 3 Election Day
Nov. 8 Pastor's Vacation
Nov. 15 Winter Flyer Deadline
Nov. 17 Presbytery Meeting @ FPC
Nov. 22 ADVENT[ure]
Nov. 26 Thanksgiving: Church Office closed
Dec. 24 Christmas Eve
Dec. 25 Christmas

Scrip Orders Due

Church Office Closed

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# BAST PENN 8, 2020 EAST PENN NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS FUNDRAISER NIGHT

Thurs

ANTHONY'S COAL FIRE PIZZA

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Enjoy a meal any time on 10/8/20 and a percentage of the bill goes to help East Penn Neighbors Helping Neighbors

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