

God's People Gather to Worship

8:30 am Interactive Service

Welcome and News of our Church Family

Call to Worship (From: Psalm 149) Holly Wilks, Worship Coordinator

† Opening Song "Come, Now Is the Time to Worship"
"Here I am to Worship"

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession: (Unison)

Assurance of Pardon

Congregational Response: "To God Be the Glory"

Passing the Peace

Centering Song "Ancient Words"

First Lesson I John 4:7-16

Second Lesson: John 15:1-12

Sermon "Abiding In Love" Dr. Lovell

Hymn "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love" Peter Scholtes

† Affirmation of Faith From: *A Brief Statement of Faith*

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Communion Song "Jesus Paid It All"

Words of Institution

Partaking of the Elements

Prayer of Celebration

† Closing Song "Go With God"

† Benediction

† Those who are able may stand

The words for the Call to Worship and other unison or responsive readings will be on the screen and are also included in the 10:30 am service bulletin found to the right of this page.

Prayer request cards can be found at the back of the Fellowship Hall and in the pew racks. Place in offering plate if you have a request.

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10:30 am Traditional Worship

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Prayer of Preparation

Prelude "Abide With Me" Alana Acker

Introit: "Set Thy Love"

Call to Worship (From: Psalm 149) Linda Rass, Liturgist

Leader: Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song, proclaim God's praise in the midst of the congregation.

People: Let those who love the Lord break out in praise, singing out with full voice, shouting high praise to God.

Leader: For the Lord is our God.

People: And is worthy to be praised.

† Hymn 478 "Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven"

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession: (Unison)

God of life, you have adopted us as your own through Jesus Christ, yet we seek to live our lives apart from you, as if a branch cut off from its roots could survive, much less bear fruit. We claim for ourselves the name of Christ but live as if we belong to another. We treat your love for us like a trophy, a sign of our deserving instead of your grace. We ask for your forgiveness, but withhold this same grace from others. Have mercy on us, O God! Remind us again that apart from you, we can do nothing. By the power of your Holy Spirit, help us to abide with you that our lives may bear fruit to the glory of your holy name.....**(Silent prayers of confession)**

Assurance of Pardon:

Congregational Response: "To God Be the Glory"

To God be the glory, great things He hath done!

So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,

Who yielded His life, an atonement for sin,

And opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,

And give God the glory, great things He hath done!

Prayer For Illumination

First Lesson: (p. 1902) I John 4:7-16

Anthem "The Gift of Love"

Second Lesson (p. 1676) John 15:1-12

Sermon "Abiding In Love" Dr. Lovell

† Hymn "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love" Peter Scholtes

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored.

**Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians by our love,
By our love; yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.**

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land; **Chorus**

We will work with each other, we will work side by side,
We will work with each other, we will work side by side;
And we'll guard human dignity and save human pride; **Chorus**

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,
And all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son,
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one; **Chorus**

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In life and death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the One Triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and earth. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: It is right, and a good and joyful thing to give you thanks and praise, Eternal and Triune God, whom we worship as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. In Jesus Christ you spoke the Word that brought the world into being. Through the Holy Spirit, you breathe life into all that lives, and through your parental love, you stand with us and for us in spite of our disobedience and rebellion. Therefore we praise you, Great God, joining our voices with the faithful of all generations who proclaim the glory of your name, saying:

People: 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.

Leader: You are holy, O God, and blessed is your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Born of Mary, he came to dwell with us, full of grace and truth. Through his life, death and resurrection, he gave to all who would dare to believe the power to become your children. Remembering all that you have done for us in Jesus Christ, we take from your creation this bread and cup and joyfully celebrate his dying and rising as we await the day of his coming again.

People: Accept, O God, this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving as a holy offering of our very selves to you, that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Words of Institution

Partaking of the Elements

Prayer of Celebration

† Hymn 509

"For the Bread Which You Have Broken"

† Benediction

† Choral Response:

"Amen"

Postlude

"To God Be the Glory"

† You are invited to stand.

Welcome to Worship; we are glad that you are here. We encourage families with children to sit near the front. Childcare is provided for children ages 4 and under throughout the service in Room 115.

Hearing Aids Available – We provide hearing aids for both services. Our Worship Coordinator or an usher will be happy to assist you.



WELCOME TO WORSHIP. We are delighted that you joined us this morning. For those worshipping in person, **please remember to keep your face covering on throughout the service and maintain appropriate social distance.** During the hymns and responsive portions of the service, please remember to mouth or whisper the words to reduce the risk of infection.



Thank you for your faithful financial support of our church's ministry. We ask that you place your offering in one of the baskets located at the entrance to the Fellowship Hall or Sanctuary as we avoid the health risks of passing an offering plate one to another.



Today, May 2nd, our Faith Mission Committee will be meeting at 1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall to plan for this season of mission at Faith. YOU are invited to join us as we hear about what God has in store for Faith in the coming months and year! Masks and social distancing will be observed.



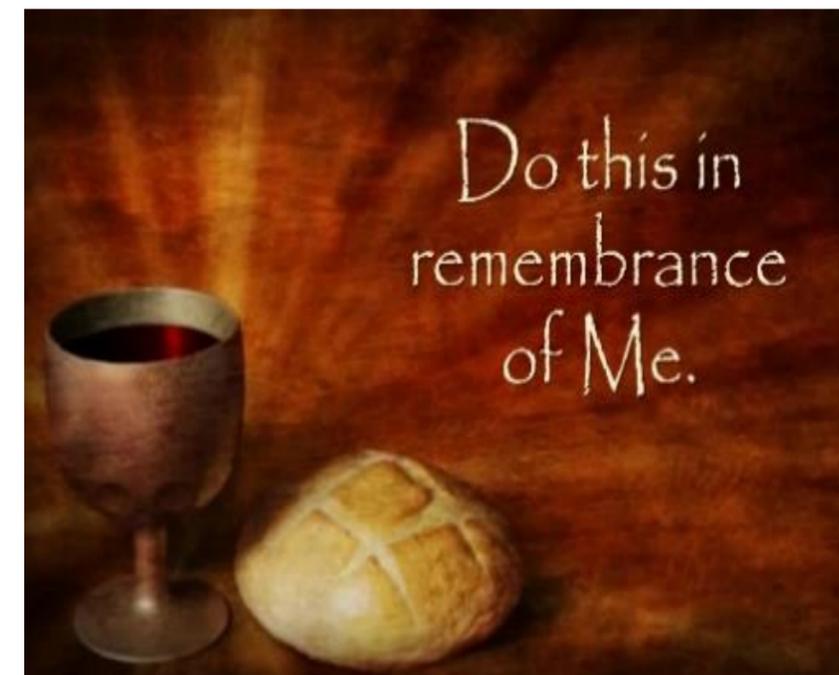
This year, on May 9th, our Mother's Day Offering will be dedicated to Faith's newest mission initiative, "Be The Light." Each year, 18% of all babies will require treatment for Hyperbilirubinemia, otherwise known as jaundice. In the US, this condition is easily healed with phototherapy treatment, but in underserved nations, such as Africa and Haiti, this condition leads to brain damage and, many times, even death.

Working with the PCUSA Medical Benevolence Foundation, Faith is raising money to provide life-saving phototherapy units, infant radiant warmers, and other essential equipment to neonatal units in the DR Congo and in our partner hospital in Haiti. Our goal for this project is \$8,455. To learn more about this project, contact Joel Robinson (jwrobinson411@gmail.com) To contribute to this special Mother's Day initiative, make checks payable to Faith with #2871 in the memo line.



On May 13th, from 11am-1pm, the VIRTUAL Sweet Home Soiree goes LIVE! This annual fundraiser for the **Presbyterian Home for Children** has a new look this year as the program GOES VIRTUAL for the first time! Faith has secured a VIRTUAL TABLE for the event and invitations are being issued via email. To host, or be a part of this special viewing, and support our long-time mission partner, contact Krista Lovell. To contribute to this fundraiser, make checks payable to Faith with #2826 in the memo line.

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"Faith Presbyterian Church seeks to be Worship-Centered and Mission-Focused as we join together in Christ's ministry."

Welcome to Worship

May 2, 2021

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Dr. Tom Lovell, Pastor

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