

Welcome! The Holy Spirit calls us together as the church to worship and praise God, made known to us in Christ. Peace be with you all.

This worship service can be watched live on YouTube, as it happens, anywhere you have an internet connection. 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 <https://bit.ly/FPCLive>

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NOTE: Sheet music for the hymns can be found on the next page or at the end of the order of worship.



Order of Worship
July 23, 2023

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THE WORD

450

Be Thou My Vision

Capo 1: (D) E^b (G) A^b (D/F[#]) E^b/G (A7) B^b7 (D) E^b

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true Word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise;
 4 High King of Heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

(A) B^b (D) E^b (G) A^b (A) B^b

naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

(G) A^b (D) E^b (F[#]m7) Gm7 (G) A^b (A) B^b

thou my best thought, by day or by night,
 thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tower;
 thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

(Bm) Cm (D/F[#]) E^b/G (G) A^b (D) E^b

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 raise thou me heaven - ward, O Power of my power.
 High King of Heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

These stanzas are selected from a 20th-century English poetic version of an Irish monastic prayer dating to the 10th century or before. They are set to an Irish folk melody that has proved popular and easily sung despite its lack of repetition and its wide range.

**THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP
SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

10:00 AM

JULY 23, 2023



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

"Adagio from Wren Chapel Suite"

JOHN S. DIXON
ONELICENSE.NET A-713988

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Based on Psalm 139

Leader: When I leave and when I get back

People: I look behind me and God is there. I look up ahead, and God is there, too.

Leader: Before I speak or even breathe to start the first sentence

People: Behind me and ahead, God is there.

Leader: If I climb to the sky, if I go underground

People: God is there.

Leader: If I flew on morning's wings to the far western horizon

People: God would find me in a minute – God would already be there waiting.

Leader: In this place, God is already here.

People: Behind us and ahead, God is here. Let us also be here, in mind as much
as in body as we worship God.

***OPENING PRAYER**

***HYMN #450**

"Be Thou My Vision"

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LITANY OF AFFIRMATION

Leader: The Psalmist reminds us that there is no place we can go from God's Spirit. Whether we climb to the highest heaven or descend to the lowest pit, the Lord is already there and with us. God knows our hearts. God knows where and when we've fallen short. Confession is not a time to tell God something new. It's a chance for us to come clean before God for ourselves. Night and day, darkness and light, it's all the same to God. So let us confess our sins, coming into the light to confess the ways we have been separated from God and each other.

People: Holy God, you shaped us and know us inside and out. You knit us together in our mothers' wombs and we know that though we are made perfectly, we are not made to be perfect. We've fallen short this week. We have said things we regret. We have spoken in ignorance and in anger. We drove a little too aggressively. We made snide comments out loud and in our heads; you heard what we thought, God, and we're sorry for all the ways we forgot to use our words and deeds lovingly. Help us to wash the slate clean for the week ahead. Give us eyes to see and hearts and minds to listen for the ways you call us to be. Ensure us of your forgiveness as we work to love you and love our neighbors as we love ourselves.

Leader: Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayers.

(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.

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

PSALM 139:1-12, 23-24

- ¹O LORD, you have searched me and known me.
- ²You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away.
- ³You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.
- ⁴Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely.
- ⁵You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.
- ⁶Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.
- ⁷Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence?
- ⁸If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.
- ⁹If I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,
- ¹⁰even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast.
- ¹¹If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light around me become night,"
- ¹²even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day, for darkness is as light to you.
- ²³Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my thoughts.
- ²⁴See if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

²⁴He put before them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; ²⁵but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. ²⁶So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. ²⁷And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?’ ²⁸He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’ The slaves said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ ²⁹But he replied, ‘No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. ³⁰Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’” ³⁶Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” ³⁷He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; ³⁸the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, ³⁹and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. ⁴⁰Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. ⁴¹The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, ⁴²and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

MESSAGE

“Let God Be God”

REV. REBECCA MALLOZZI

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS

INTERCESSIONS AND PETITIONS

THE LORD’S PRAYER

GLORY TO GOD HYMNAL – PG. 35
(Please use “debts & debtors”.)

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

CALL FOR OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY

"A Beautiful Life"

PUBLIC DOMAIN

Soloists: Joe Smits, Bruce Kunkle, Charley Underwood, Tim Bagnall, and Doug Boyd

At this time, we are not passing an offering plate.

Please find the plate by the door for in-person giving.

See the back page of the bulletin for additional info on how to give.

Thank you for your generosity!

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***HYMN #377**

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

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***CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

"Gigue from Wren Chapel Suite"

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Please feel free to sit and reflect during the postlude or depart and join us in Fellowship Hall.



377 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light



1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to fol - low
 2 I want to see the bright-ness of God. I want to look at
 3 I'm look-ing for the com - ing of Christ. I want to be with



Je - sus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The
 Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ-teous-ness, shine on my path, and
 Je - sus. When we have run with pa-tience the race, we

Refrain



star of my life is Je - sus.
 show me the way to the Fa - ther. In him there is no dark-ness at
 shall know the joy of Je - sus.



all. The night and the day are both a - like. The Lamb is the

The author-composer of this unrhymed hymn regards it as a meditation and prayer deeply rooted in many scriptures, most connected with the theme of light: Genesis 1:17; Psalm 139:12; Isaiah 60:19; Malachi 4:2; John 14:8; Ephesians 5:8; Hebrews 12:1-2; 1 John 1:5; Revelation 21:23.

TEXT and MUSIC: Kathleen Thomerson, 1966
 Text and Music © 1970, 1975 Celebration

HOUSTON
 10.7.10.8 with refrain

A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH



light of the cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

Faith Life

SUNDAY, JULY 23, 2023

We hope you'll join us following worship for beverages, snacks, and fellowship.

Please note...the nursery is closed during the months of July & August.

Welcome back, Pastor Becki!

OUR BUILDING NEEDS SOME TLC!

Ministry of Support is looking for volunteers/helpers for work that needs doing within the church building. Some areas are looking a little shabby and we would like to freshen up and/or fix those things. This will not be done like the usual Clean-up Days we have in the spring and fall. Work can be done at your convenience.



Here is where the committee needs help:

- Light repairs
- Painting (*no scaffolding required*)
- Basement cleaning and organization

For more information, please contact Sally Heimbach.

WHERE WILL YOUR VACATION TAKE YOU?



Wherever your travels take you this summer, send a postcard to stay in touch with your friends at Faith!

Send a postcard to church and then check out the Ministry to the Congregation bulletin board through the next few months to see where our congregation has been. We've received several and we hope you will take the time to check out the bulletin board.

The mailing address for the church is:

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PO Box 507
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Faith Feeds Garden

Please check the church's Facebook group page, or the Faith Feeds Garden's Facebook group page for times you can help and any current needs.



MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE

The *Holy Harmonies* Summer Choir continues during the summer. Additional appearances of the choir will be July 30, and August 13 & 27. Rehearsals will occur those same Sundays in the Choir Room at 9:30 a.m. Selections will mainly consist of hymns from the hymnal, but suggestions of hymns or anthems are welcomed.



The *Holy Harmonies* Summer Choir is open to anyone and commitment is based on your schedule. Join when you can and know we hope you enjoy your Sundays away if you cannot.

COME CELEBRATE

OUR 28TH SEASON WITH US

Jerusalem



Singers

Directed by Pete Deshler

7/23- 7:30 PM- Grace United Church of Christ
902 Lincoln Avenue, Northampton, PA 18067

7/30- 7:30 PM- First Presbyterian Church
333 Spring Garden Street, Easton, PA 18042

8/1- 7:30 PM- Jerusalem Western Salisbury Church
3441 Devonshire Road, Allentown, PA 18103



A free-will offering supporting
"The Gift of Music" will be taken at the door.

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CHURCH OFFICE IS ON SUMMER HOURS

Tuesday - Thursday from 9:00 AM to Noon.
Closed on Mondays and Fridays.

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.

Key	
BR	Brick Room
FH	Fellowship Hall
MR	Music Room
P	Parlor
S	Sanctuary
Z	Zoom

NEXT WEEK

Sunday, July 23

10:00 a.m.— Worship Service

Monday, July 24

Church Office Closed

Tuesday, July 25

Wednesday, July 26

8:00 a.m.— Rotary Food Program (FH)
9:30 a.m.— Women of Faith (BR)

Thursday, July 27

Youth Group Day at the Beach
7:00 p.m.— Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

Friday, July 28

Church Office Closed

Saturday, July 29

NEXT WEEK

Sunday, July 30

9:30 a.m.— Holy Harmonies rehearsal (MR)
10:00 a.m.— Worship Service

Monday, July 31

Church Office Closed

9:00 a.m.— Emmaus Garden Club set-up (FH)

Tuesday, August 1

9:00 a.m.— Emmaus Garden Club (FH)
7:30 p.m.— Ministry of Support (P)

Wednesday, August 2

8:00 a.m.— Rotary Food Program (FH)
9:30 a.m.— Women of Faith (BR)

Thursday, August 3

7:00 p.m.— Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

Friday, August 4

Church Office Closed

Saturday, August 5

9:00 a.m.— Crazy Quilters (FH)

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE

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Presbyterian Disaster c/o
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
P.O. Box 643700
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Fall Flyer deadline—August 13
Daybreak Meal—August 14
2023 Per Capita—\$48.00

ARE YOU GETTING THE INFO YOU NEED?

Faith Church has four email lists. Are you interested in being added to one or more of them? Please indicate your interest, add your email address, tear off this tab, and drop in the offering plate.

- ☐ Weekly Announcements ☐ Quarterly Newsletter
☐ Prayer Chain ☐ Emergency Alerts

Name & email: _____

LOOKING AHEAD...

Aug. 13 Autumn Newsletter Deadline
Sept. 11 Office returns to regular hours
Sept. 15 Evening on the Lawn
Sept. 30 Autumn Fest
Oct. 1 Peace & Global Witness Offering
Oct. 22 Crop Walk for Hunger
Oct. 20 Evening on the Lawn
Nov. 19 Winter Newsletter Deadline
Dec. 2 Women of Faith Craft Fair
Dec. 17 Christmas Joy Offering,
 Work Camp Cookie Sale
Dec. 24 Christmas Eve
Dec. 25 Christmas