Welcome to worship, dear family of God. As we celebrate the Baptism of Our Lord, may God enlighten us 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 <a href="https://bit.ly/FPClive">https://bit.ly/FPClive</a>

Worship Assistant: Melanie Shimer

Ushers: Mary & Art Horst Deacon Greeter: Tracey Gill Nursery: Michael Davis Communion: Andy Ingram, Terry Eck

Video: Mark Ingram Audio: Sally Heimbach Fellowship: Potluck Lunch

NOTE: Sheet music for the hymns can be found on the next page or pages.



Order of Worship January 7, 2024

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# THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP BAPTISM OF THE LORD CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

10:00 AM JANUARY 7, 2024

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 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Genesis 1 and Mark 1)

Leader: In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

People: The Spirit of God swept over the face of the waters;

then God said, "Let there be light" and God saw that it was good.

Leader: At the beginning of his ministry, Jesus was baptized by John.

People: The heavens opened, and the Spirit descended like a dove;

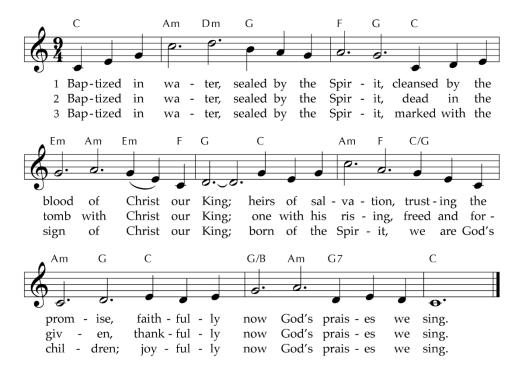
then God said: this is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

Leader: In water and word, God moves.

People: In us, God moves.

**\*OPENING PRAYER** 

#### "Baptized in Water"



#### LITANY OF AFFIRMATION

Leader: A prophet appeared in the wilderness, calling the people to repent, be baptized, and prepare the way of the Lord. We return to the water to confess our sins, giving thanks for the grace of Jesus Christ, the one who has come to save us. Let us pray.

People: God of all glory, you look from heaven and see us as we are – not worthy to kneel at your feet, not ready to welcome your way. Forgive us, gracious God. In Christ, stoop down to save us; loosen the ties that bind us to sin and set us free to love and serve you; in Jesus' name.

Leader: Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayers.

(A moment is given for silent confession to God.)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

#### THE WORD OF GOD TO THE CHURCH

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

**GENESIS 1:1-5** 

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, <sup>2</sup>the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters.

<sup>3</sup>Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

#### SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

MARK 1: 4-11

<sup>4</sup>John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. <sup>5</sup>And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. <sup>6</sup>Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. <sup>7</sup>He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. <sup>8</sup>I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

<sup>9</sup>In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. <sup>10</sup>And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. <sup>11</sup>And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

#### \*HYMN #721\* "You Are My All in All"

\*Sing the Faith spiral hymnal



#### **\*APOSTLES' CREED**

#### **GATHERING JOYS & CONCERNS**

# ORDINATION & INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS Installing Elders Terry Eck, Janie Slamon, Andy Ingram

Installing Deacons Jana Masenheimer, Doug Boyd, Eleanor DePhillips

#### OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

#### CALL FOR OFFERTORY

#### **OFFERTORY**

"Nearer My God to Thee"

Bruce Kunkle, harmonica

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!

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PRAYER OF DEDICATION

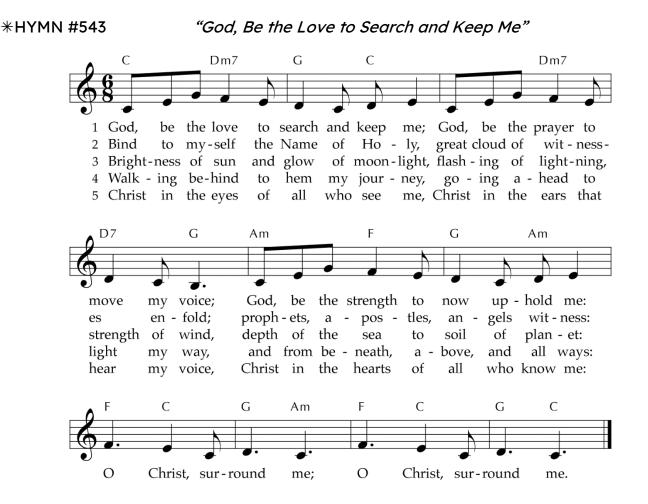
**CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION** INVITATION TO THE TABLE PRAYER w/LORD'S PRAYER WORDS OF INSTITUTION **CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION** 

**HYMN #515** "I Come with Joy"



#### PRAYER (in unison)

Gracious God, you have nourished us in body and soul in so many different ways. As we carry your light with us into the world, remind us just how brightly that light can shine. Remind us that we are your children no matter where we go and you are always with us. Steady us with your hand and may we each be reminded that in our baptisms, you claim us and in this meal, you promise to sustain us for the journey ahead. Amen.



#### **\*CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE "Lento"

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

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## **Music Licensing Information**

Prelude James Michael Stevens, OneLicense.net A-713988

Hymn #482 CCLI 1695793

Offertory Public Domain

Hymn #515 CCLI 1695793

Hymn #721 CCLI 1695793

Hymn #543 CCLI 1695793

Postlude Robert Schumann, Public Domain

## Faith Life

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2024

We hope you'll join us following worship in Fellowship Hall for our Pot Luck Luncheon, which is Sunday Morning Together on the first Sunday of each month.

#### COMMUNION INCLUSION—INTINCTION

Communion is by intinction this morning. For those needing allergen free foods, the pastor will have brown rice crackers, which are wheat free, gluten free, soy and nut free.



#### • TODAY: POT LUCK LUNCHEON

Following worship this morning, we will gather together for our **Pot Luck Luncheon**. The Ministry to the

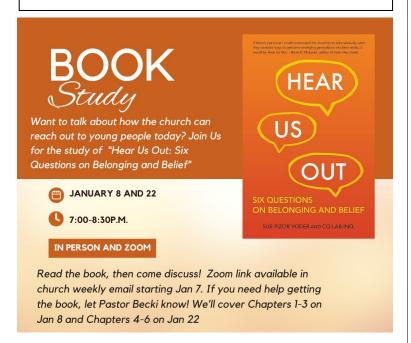


Congregation Committee invites all to attend! The main course is **Soup**, which the committee will supply. Side dishes and desserts will be supplied by church friends and family.

 January 14: Fellowship time. Weekend celebration of Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. Kids' Music

See the back of this page for a list of SMT's future Sunday and midweek events. Youth Group News is also on the next page!

## Weekly Volunteers Needed! Please see Page 3 for details.



Zoom link to join: <a href="https://bit.ly/FPCbookstudy24">https://bit.ly/FPCbookstudy24</a>

#### KNOW THYSELF

In the midst of cold and flu season (and whatever else might be going around), remember to pay attention to how you are feeling and who is around you. Stay home if you aren't feeling well. Listen to your body and get rest when you need it. Masks are not required, but are welcomed for anyone who might feel more comfortable with a mask, or anyone who might be feeling even a little under the weather. We can love our neighbors as we love ourselves when we take consideration for everyone's physical health!

#### WORD ON WEDNESDAY (WOW)

The Word on Wednesday Bible Study will meet on **Thursday**, January 11 to finish our study of Matthew. We will start back on Wednesdays on January 17, with a new study looking at Ezra-Nehemiah. All are welcome!

#### DAYBREAK - JANUARY 8

#### Needed: 3-4 persons to bake 2 doz. cookies each

Faith Church cooks and serves a meal at Daybreak on the second Monday of each month, from 1:30 to 4:30pm. Daybreak is a drop-in center for people suffering from mental illness, who may or may not also be homeless. Can you find the time to bake a batch or two and drop them off by noon tomorrow?

- Drop cookies off in the kitchen by noon of that Monday. Because of possible nut allergies, please mark cookies that have nuts in them. Sugar-free and gluten-free cookies are also appreciated.
- Helpers are also needed, especially cooks, from approx.
   1:30 to 4:30pm. (Carpool leaves from the church!)

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#### PER CAPITA UPDATE

The per capita payment has portions sent to the Lehigh Presbytery, the Synod of the Trinity and the General Assembly to help pay for the operation expenses of those organizations.



#### The apportionment for 2024 is \$48.00 per member.

You can pay your per capita online, or by check made out to Faith Presbyterian Church. Thank you!

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#### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Thursday from 9:00 AM to Noon. Closed on Fridays.



Sunday Morning Together brings our church family together for fellowship and special activities. Most activities take place right after worship. Children of God of all ages are welcome!

1/21	Fire Safety & First Aid
1/28	Congregational Meeting
2/4	First Sunday Luncheon
2/1	Fastnacht
2/8	Fellowship
2/25	Pretzels & Lent Fellowship
3/3	First Sunday Luncheon & Ice Hockey
3/10	Fellowship
3/17	Vision Team Event
3/24	Palm Sunday- Egg Hunt
3/31	Easter; Easter Breakfast
4/7	First Sunday Luncheon
4/14	Church Clean-up Day & Lunch
4/21	Earth Day Clean
4/28	Scavenger Hunt
5/5	First Sunday Luncheon
5/12	Fellowship
5/19	Pentecost- Confirmation Reception

#### YOUTH GROUP NEED

Pastor Jo Marchetto, our Youth Group Director, could use some help from us here at FPC. At times, an adult or two are needed to assist in the Youth Group activity, program.



No experience is needed or special skills, just a genuine interest in our youth. The commitment can be flexible. Why not give Pastor Jo a call (phone number is in the directory) and find out what it's all about. You will be greatly appreciated! THANK YOU!

#### HOW CAN YOU SUPPORT OUR YOUTH?

**Sponsoring a meal** for our Youth Groups is a very beneficial and easy way to show your support for our youth. (For a rewarding experience, consider joining them for the

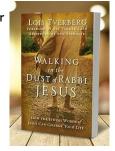


meal and getting to know them better.) <u>It's</u>
<u>easy</u> - scan the QR code to schedule/sponsor
your meal, or you can call Pastor Jo Marchetto,
our Youth Director. What a wonderful way to
show interest in and support our
youth! <u>Thank you</u>.

#### THURSDAY WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP

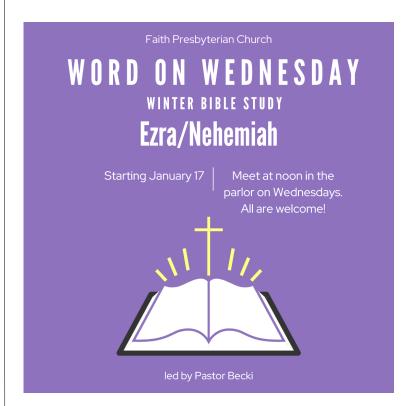
This group meets Thursday mornings, 9:30-11:30 a.m. in homes of our members for coffee, study, prayer and laughter.

We will continue our study on "Walking in the Dust of Rabbi Jesus" **starting again January 11, 2024** and begin a new study (TBA) in February.



Interested? Contact Anne Laubach or Deanna Robinson.

Daybreak – January 8 2024 Per Capita—\$48.00 Spring Flyer deadline—February 18



# Annual Congregational Meeting

January 28, 2024 - following worship



#### TALENT SHOW: FEBRUARY 4

Sign up to participate in our upcoming talent show!

- ☆ Share a SIGHT; crafts or hobbies you enjoy and can be placed on a table to see.
- ☆ Share a SOUND; something to be heard and/or performed on a stage.
- \*\* "S" Foods don't need to be signed up for, but please bring a dish to share for lunch that starts with the letter S. If your last name begins with A-K bring a side dish that starts with the letter S, and L-Z bring something sweet.

Sign up by speaking with Heather Davis, or on the whiteboard in Fellowship Hall.



For Faith Church members or friends wanting tickets, please speak with Pastor Becki or Lynn Ingram.

#### BIG, BIG THANK YOU TO FAITH MISSION GIVERS!

We collected **\$2,540.00** for the CHRISTMAS JOY offering. This is a \$160.00 increase over 2022. !!!ROCK STARS!!!

#### WORSHIP ASSISTANTS NEEDED

You might think that assisting during worship is a bit daunting, but it is easier than you think!

Spoon-fed instructions are provided, with all the necessary materials. Everything is prepared for you! Yet, as easy as it is, volunteers are always needed. Here are the dates where a worship assistant is needed:



#### February 4, 18, 25

Contact Sally Heimbach, or use this link to the SignUpGenius: https://bit.ly/3FCW8iO Thank you.

#### FELLOWSHIP HOSTS NEEDED

Everybody loves fellowship time following worship. It's a wonderful time to catch up with your church family! Hosting is easy and instructions are provided, but we still need people to volunteer. Here are the dates where hosts are needed:

#### January 21

Sign up on the whiteboard in the narthex, or contact Heather Davis. Thank you.

#### THE NURSERY NEEDS YOU!

We are looking for volunteers for the nursery during the worship time. If you do not have your clearances, we can assist you in obtaining them. Here are the dates where volunteers are needed:

#### January 21

Sign up on the whiteboard in the narthex, or see Sally Heimbach. Helpers will need their clearances. Thank you.



#### **DONATIONS NEEDED!**

It will soon be time for the deacons to be mailing goodie boxes to our college students, and they rely on donations to make the boxes a success!

Things like hot chocolate packets, granola bars, cookies, gum, candy, etc.

The deacons will have a box for donations in the narthex or Fellowship Hall. If you don't see one, please email the office and a reminder will be sent.

## TWO WEEKS OF FAITH

This calendar is prepared on the Thursday prior to distribution. Please see the church <u>website</u> for the most up-to-date information.

#### BR Brick Room FH Fellowship Hall MR Music Room P Parlor

#### P Parlor S Sanctuary Z Zoom

#### THIS WEEK

#### Sunday, January 7

10:00 a.m.— Worship Service

11:00 a.m.— Sunday Morning Together: Pot Luck Luncheon

5:00 p.m.— Youth Groups Together: Game Night

#### Monday, January 8

1:30 p.m.— Daybreak

7:00 p.m.— Book Study (in person and Zoom)

#### Tuesday, January 9

7:00 p.m.— Session meeting (BR)

#### Wednesday, January 10

5:30 p.m.— Faithful Ringers rehearsal (MR)

7:00 p.m.— Faithful Harmonizers rehearsal (S)

7:00 p.m.— EPNHN (P)

#### Thursday, January 11

Noon- WOW Bible Study (P) (yes, Thursday this time)

Friday, January 12

Church Office Closed

#### Saturday, January 13

9:00 a.m.— Zumba (FH) 10:30 a.m.— Outside Use (FH)

#### NEXT WEEK

#### Sunday, January 14

10:00 a.m.— Worship Service

11:00 a.m.— Sunday Morning Together

11:30 a.m.— Confirmation Class (P)

5:00 p.m.— Youth Group Together—Team Building

Monday, January 15 MLK Day

Church Office Closed

#### Tuesday, January 16

7:00 p.m.— Deacons meeting (BR)

#### Wednesday, January 17

Noon— WOW Bible Study (P)

5:30 p.m.— Faithful Ringers rehearsal (MR)

7:00 p.m.— Faithful Harmonizers rehearsal (S)

#### Thursday, January 18

Friday, January 19

Church Office Closed

#### Saturday, January 20

9:00 a.m.— Zumba (FH) 10:00 a.m.— Quilters (FH)



#### HAVE YOU SIGNED UP?

We know there are many <u>very talented people</u> in our congregation. Please see details on Page 3 for what promises to be a very fun event!

# 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:

#### **SNOW CANCELLATION POLICY**

If it snows sufficiently to make you wonder if worship will be held, we will post the cancellation information on WFMZ: (https://www.wfmz.com/weather/stormcenter/).



### Looking Ahead

# Mark Your Calendars!

Jan. 28	Annual Congregational Meeting
Feb. 4	Pot Luck Luncheon, Talent Show
Feb. 23	Youth Group 30-Hour Famine
Mar. 3	Pot Luck Luncheon
	Phantoms Hockey Game
Apr. 7	Pot Luck Luncheon
Apr. 14	Church Clean-Up Day
May 4	Fellowship Event—Mind Body Soul
May 5	Pot Luck Luncheon
Jun. 17-20	Vacation Bible School
Jun. 22-30	Work Camp at Dexter, ME