This second Sunday of Easter, we are all twin selves, like Thomas, who was called the Twin (John 20:24). Each of us is both doubter and believer, and Jesus blesses us with peace. Welcome.

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

Worship Assistant: Tracey Gill Usher: Anne Laubach

Deacon Greeter: Jana Masenheimer

Nursery: Michael Davis

Audio: Sally Heimbach Video: Mark Ingram

Fellowship: Potluck Luncheon

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

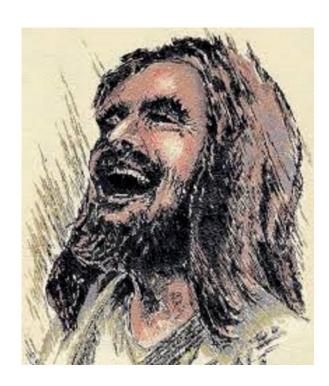


Order of Worship
April 7, 2024

Faith Presbyterian Church of Emmaus

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THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

10:00 AM APRIL 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

Hymn #232

PRELUDE "Jesus Christ is Risen Today

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP (inspired by Psalm 103)

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul. O my hands. O my feet. O my heart. O my knees. O my spine. O my life. Bless the Lord, all that is within me.

People: Bless God's holy name. Redeemer, friend, shepherd, helper, counselor, savior, teacher, Great I Am.

Leader: God forgives and heals. And did you know? God laughs.

People: God laughs to inspire us to laugh. There is a time for grief. And there is a time for laughter.

Leader: As far as the east is from the west is how far God takes away the sting of death. As far as the north is from the south is how far God takes away the Devil's victory.

People: Death has power, but God is more powerful. God is love. God wins.

Leader: God is good.

People: All the time.

Leader: And all the time

People: God is good. Knowing our lives are like grass, let us take this time to worship our good God who laughs with us and inspires us to laugh alongside Him. Bless the Lord, O my soul.



Echoing imagery from Isaiah 61:1–2 and other passages, this text was created as an inclusive-language alternative to an older hymn using this late 19th-century tune. Because it is a song of encouragement rather than a song of praise, it is not directed to God but to people.

TEXT: Ruth Duck, 1974 MUSIC: William H. Walter, 1894 Text © 1992 GIA Publications, Inc. FESTAL SONG SM (this tune in a lower key, 815)

LITANY OF AFFIRMATION

Leader:

Sometimes, the world isn't funny. Bright Sunday isn't about denying that darkness exists in the world. Bright Sunday, or Holy Humor Sunday, is about celebrating the reality that God comes into dark places. Jesus laid in the darkness of the tomb and came out right back out again, bringing light where light wasn't expected. Our confession prayer is about recognizing we have dark spaces in us, too. And we trust God to come into the tombs of our hearts and bring light there again in ways we didn't expect. It's a chance to be honest: we aren't perfect. God knows this about us and loves us and all of our imperfections. So let us confess the ways we fell short of glory this week, trusting that God's grace is still shining light over our dark places.

People: God of mercy, hear our prayers of confession. There are things we did that we shouldn't have done. There are things we didn't do that we should have done. We said things when we needed to be silent and we kept silent when we needed to speak up. We didn't always love well. We didn't always see the people right in front of us. We spent more time worrying about what others think of us than we did about how we're serving you and celebrating your Easter miracle. Lift us up as we try to do better. Guide us in your ways and teach us what to do next.

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.

*HYMN OF ASSURANCE (Insert. Sing twice.)

"God Has Smiled On Me"









THE WORD OF GOD TO THE CHURCH

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

(Common English Bible)

Let my whole being^[a] bless the LORD! Let everything inside me bless his holy name!

- ²Let my whole being bless the LORD and never forget all his good deeds:
- how God forgives all your sins, heals all your sickness,
- saves your life from the pit, crowns you with faithful love and compassion,
- 5 and satisfies you with plenty of good things
- so that your youth is made fresh like an eagle's.
- ⁶ The LORD works righteousness; does justice for all who are oppressed.
- ⁷God made his ways known to Moses; made his deeds known to the Israelites.
- ⁸ The LORD is compassionate and merciful, very patient, and full of faithful love.
- 9 God won't always play the judge; he won't be angry forever.
- ¹⁰ He doesn't deal with us according to our sin

or repay us according to our wrongdoing,

because as high as heaven is above the earth.

that's how large God's faithful love is for those who honor him.

- ¹² As far as east is from west that's how far God has removed our sin from us.
- ¹³ Like a parent feels compassion for their children—

that's how the LORD feels compassion for

PSALM 103

¹⁴ Because God knows how we're made, God remembers we're just dust.

those who honor him.

- ¹⁵ The days of a human life are like grass: they bloom like a wildflower;
- but when the wind blows through it, it's gone;

even the ground where it stood doesn't remember it.

¹⁷ But the LORD's faithful love is from forever ago to forever from now for those who honor him.

And God's righteousness reaches to the grandchildren

- of those who keep his covenant and remember to keep his commands.
- ¹⁹ The LORD has established his throne in heaven,

and his kingdom rules over all.

²⁰ You divine messengers, bless the LORD!

You who are mighty in power and keep his word,

who obey everything he says, bless him!

- ²¹ All you heavenly forces, bless the LORD!
- All you who serve him and do his will, bless him!
- ²² All God's creatures, bless the LORD!
- Everywhere, throughout his kingdom, let my whole being bless the LORD!

(Common English Bible)

21 Later, Jesus himself appeared again to his disciples at the Sea of Tiberias. This is how it happened: ² Simon Peter, Thomas (called Didymus^[a]), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, Zebedee's sons, and two other disciples were together. ³ Simon Peter told them, "I'm going fishing."

They said, "We'll go with you." They set out in a boat, but throughout the night they caught nothing. ⁴ Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples didn't realize it was Jesus.

⁵ Jesus called to them, "Children, have you caught anything to eat?"

They answered him, "No."

⁶ He said, "Cast your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some." So they did, and there were so many fish that they couldn't haul in the net. ⁷ Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It's the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard it was the Lord, he wrapped his coat around himself (for he was naked) and jumped into the water. ⁸ The other disciples followed in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they weren't far from shore, only about one hundred yards.

When they landed, they saw a fire there, with fish on it, and some bread. ¹⁰ Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you've just caught." ¹¹ Simon Peter got up and pulled the net to shore. It was full of large fish, one hundred fifty-three of them. Yet the net hadn't torn, even with so many fish. ¹² Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples could

bring themselves to ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. ¹³ Jesus came, took the bread, and gave it to them. He did the same with the fish. ¹⁴ This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead.

¹⁵ When they finished eating, Jesus asked Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" Simon replied, "Yes, Lord, you know I love you."

Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." ¹⁶ Jesus asked a second time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?"

Simon replied, "Yes, Lord, you know I love you."

Jesus said to him, "Take care of my sheep." ¹⁷ He asked a third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter was sad that Jesus asked him a third time, "Do you love me?" He replied, "Lord, you know everything; you know I love you."

Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. ¹⁸ I assure you that when you were younger you tied your own belt and walked around wherever you wanted. When you grow old, you will stretch out your hands and another will tie your belt and lead you where you don't want to go." ¹⁹ He said this to show the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God. After saying this, Jesus said to Peter, "Follow me."

MESSAGE

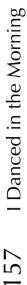
"Do You Love Me?"

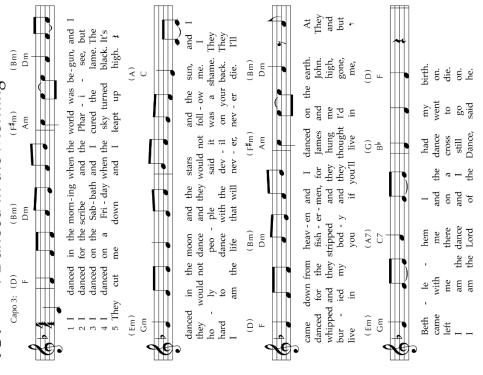
***HYMN #157**

"I Danced in the Morning"

(Sheet music on next page.)

JESUS CHRIST: LIFE



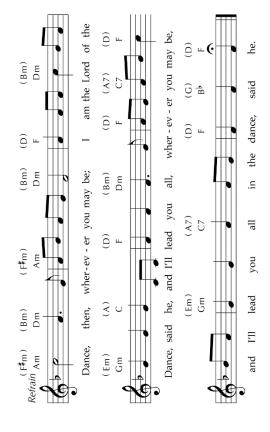


This 20th-century ballad-like retelling of the life of Christ, though written for this Shaker tune, has many stimlarities with the pre-Reformation carol "Chonrown shall be my dantoing day." Such narrative carols were common both at Christmas and as part of medieval mystery plays.

TEXTS Sydney Carter, 1963 MACH CARACHA Machan Shake melosh; adapt. Sydney Carter, 1963 MACH CARACHA Shanes & Bell, Ital (admin. Hope Publishing Company)

LORD OF THE DANCE

JESUS CHRIST: LIFE



GATHERING JOYS & CONCERNS

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

CALL FOR OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY *"Thine is the Glory"* Hymn 238

Faithful Harmonizers

DOXOLOGY #606

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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

PRAYER (in unison)

Blessed Lord, you have fed us and nourished us with this meal. You served the disciples on the beach and you served us in our worship. May your Spirit go with us as we go out and serve alongside one another, bringing your love and light into the world around us. Guide us and lead us, lift us up and remind us you are always with us, no matter where we go. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*HYMN #80 "You Shall Go Out With Joy" (Sheet music on next page.)

***CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE "Thine is the Glory"

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

You Shall Go Out with Joy

The Trees of the Field



*Clap hands.

This text paraphrases Isaiah 55:12, which is generally understood to describe a "second exodus," this time from Babylon rather than from Egypt. This release of God's people and their return to their own land gives rise to a joyful celebration involving all creation.

<u>Music Licensing Information</u>

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Assurance <u>Lift Up Your Hearts</u> hymnal, words & music Isaiah Jones, Jr.

Hymn #157 Glory to God hymnal, CCLI 1695793

Offertory Glory to God hymnal, Public Domain

Doxology Glory to God hymnal, Public Domain

Hymn #80 Glory to God hymnal, CCLI 1695793

Postlude arr. Thomas Pavlechko, OneLicense.net A-713988

Faith Life

SUNDAY, APRIL 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:** Enjoy first Sunday of month luncheon with fellow members and friends.
- April 14: Help us Clean Up our church with a light lunch provided. Kids' Music

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 **Turkey BBQ**, which the committee will supply. Side dishes and desserts will be supplied by church friends and family.



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!

DAYBREAK - APRIL 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?

- <u>Drop cookies off in the kitchen by noon tomorrow</u>.
 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!)

For more information, speak with Carolyn Baittinger or Zona Farmer. Don't pass up this very easy opportunity to "do unto others."

Weekly Volunteers Needed! Please see Page 3 for details.



APRIL 14 FOLLOWING WORSHIP Light lunch provided

The Ministry of Support and the Ministry to the Congregation will be holding a Clean-Up day on April 14 (Next Sunday), following worship. A light lunch will be provided.

There will be a variety of jobs both on the inside and the outside of the building.

Please plan on participating. For additional information contact Sally Heimbach.



& Love Yourself

SATURDAY MAY 4TH 9AM - 2PM

AT FAITH PRESBYTERIAN OF EMMAUS

Look inward, center your body and soul through mindfulness, motion, meditation and education

Guided Meditation and Burning Ceremony

Learn about the power of therapy
Learn about Emotional Intelligence
Move with Belly Dance and Tai Chi

Take time for reflection



\$5 at the door Registration Required



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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!

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>.

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE

Scan this QR code to donate to aid disaster relief, or send a check with PDA in the memo line, mail to:

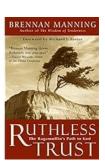
Presbyterian Disaster c/o Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) P.O. Box 643700 Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700



WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP

Our current study is <u>Ruthless Trust</u> by Brennan Manning.

This group meets Thursday mornings, 9:30-11:30 a.m. in homes of our members for coffee, study, prayer and laughter.
Interested? Contact Anne Laubach or Deanna Robinson.



IMPORTANT

WORD ON WEDNESDAY

The Word On Wednesday" will not meet on April 10. Pastor Becki will be on study leave April 10 and 11.

WOW will resume on April 17 with a new study. Stay tuned for more information!

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.



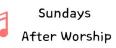
As of 4/2, we have received **\$2,036** towards our total payment of **\$9,936.00**. The apportionment for 2024 is **\$48.00 per member**.

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





SUNDAY MORNING TOGETHER



Let the kiddos come and make a joyful noise!



THANK YOU FROM WORKCAMPERS

The Ministry to the Community and the Workcampers are very grateful for the help, participation, donations, etc. at the Easter breakfast. This fundraiser netted \$322 to be apply to this year's trip to Dexter, ME.

Dog Tags



Our workcampers will soon be reaching out, seeking dog tag sponsors before they head off to Dexter, ME in June. Sponsors are asked to contribute \$75 which will help defray costs of the trip. The dog tags and the Easter breakfast are the final fundraisers prior to their trip.

Please prayerfully consider sponsoring a camper, and write that name on the memo line of your check. Thank you.

PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS

Messages to be shared via the Prayer Chain may be emailed directly to prayers@faithchurchemmaus.org.

Messages can also be sent through a form on the Prayer Requests page of the church website. If you wish to be included in our Prayer Chain distribution list (or if you don't think you are receiving messages), please contact the office.

JOIN US FOR OUR WORK CAMP 30-ISH YEAR REUNION EVENT!

Work Camp Heroes and their families invited!

June 8, 2024 @ 4:00 p.m.

Faith Presbyterian Church, Emmaus

Evening includes Gathering, Dinner, Program, and Dessert.

RSVP by May 8 to Lynn Ingram 484-695-9073 or lingram@ptd.net

*Work Camp Heroes: Yes, we are inviting everyone who has ever attended work camp, but this invitation is also extended to members of Faith Church and The Barn. BUT...you must RSVP! Feel free to share this with any work campers you know!



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS NEEDED

Assisting during worship 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:

April 21, 28

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:

May 5, 12, 19, 26

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:



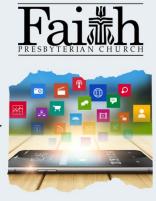
April 14, 21, 28

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

Follow Us on Social Media

Let's get connected for Our Latest News, Events and Updates





Public Facebook Page @faithchurchemmaus, Private Group for members & friends @groups/32770546126.

Two Weeks of Faith

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

Brick Room Fellowship Hall FH Music Room Parlor Sanctuary

THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 7

10:00 a.m.— Worship Service

11:00 a.m.— Pot Luck Luncheon

Faith Feeds Garden Planning Meeting

11:30 a.m.— Confirmation Class Meeting (P) 5:00 p.m.— Middle School Youth Group 6:30 p.m.— High School Youth Group

Monday, April 8

1:30 p.m. – Daybreak Meal

7:00 p.m.— Emmaus Chorale (FH)

Tuesday, April 9

7:00 p.m.— Session Meeting (BR)

Wednesday, April 10

Pastor Becki Study Leave

8:00 a.m.— Rotary Food Program (FH)

9:30 a.m. - Women of Faith (BR)

NO WOW Bible Study (P)

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

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

7:00 p.m.— EPNHN (P)

Thursday, April 11

9:30 a.m.— Women's Study Group 7:00 p.m.— Narcotics Anonymous

Friday, April 12

Church Office Closed

Saturday, April 13

NEXT WEEK

Sunday, April 14

Youth Group Activity: Urban Air

10:00 a.m.— Worship Service

11:00 a.m.— Sunday Morning Together: Church Clean-Up

Monday, April 15

7:00 p.m.— Ministry to the Community (P)

7:00 p.m.— Emmaus Chorale (FH)

Tuesday, April 16

7:00 p.m.— Deacons Meeting (BR)

Wednesday, April 17

8:00 a.m.— Rotary Food Program (FH)

9:30 a.m.— Women of Faith (BR)

Noon— WOW Bible Study (P)

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

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

Thursday, April 18

9:30 a.m.— Women's Study Group 7:00 p.m.— Narcotics Anonymous

Friday, April 19

Church Office Closed

Pastor's Vacation

Saturday, April 20

10:00 a.m.— Crazy Quilters (FH)

2024 Per Capita-\$48.00 Daybreak - April 8 Spring Flyer deadline—May 19

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.

Ш	Weekly Announcements	Ш	Quarterly Newslet
	Prayer Chain		Emergency Alerts

Name & email:___

Quarterly Newsletter
Emergency Alerts

Looking Ahead

Mark Your Calendars!

Apr. 18-23 Pastor's Vacation

Apr. 29..... Office Admin Vacation Week

May 4Fellowship Event—Mind Body Soul

May 5 Pot Luck Luncheon

May 12..... Mother's Day

May 19 Pentecost

June 8...... Work Camp Reunion

June 16 Father's Day

July 4 Independence Day

Jun. 17-20...... Vacation Bible School

Jun. 22-30 Work Camp at Dexter, ME

Jul. 15 Office Admin Vacation Week

Sept. 28 Fellowship Event-Autumn Fest

Oct. 6...... World Communion

Nov. 3...... Daylight Savings Time Ends

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