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The Lord's Day

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It doesn't get much better than hearing someone's story. Knowing and being known. Openness. A growing friendship. And as we grow in these things, we should expect this general rule: the better you know other people, the more you enjoy and appreciate them—that is, the more you love them. And the more you love them, the more you will be invited into their lives during hardships.

— Edward T. Welch

Call to Worship

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22

Worship Leader: Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!

All: Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he has redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

Worship Leader: Some were fools through their sinful ways, and because of their iniquities suffered affliction; they loathed any kind of food, and they drew near to the gates of death.

All: Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress. He sent out his word and healed them, and delivered them from their destruction.

Worship Leader: Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of men!

All: And let them offer sacrifices of thanksgiving, and tell of his deeds in songs of joy!

Hymn of Praise #25

“Immortal, Invisible”

Smith/Welch Melody

Invocation

Call to Confession of Sins

Romans 7:19-20

For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me.

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Worship Leader: Holy God, we confess that we are people who often run toward sin instead of running away from it. We fix our eyes on our own desires and pursue them recklessly, with no thought of danger to our own souls.

All: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Worship Leader: We are overconfident, thinking that we can resist sin with our own strength, but we are far weaker than we ever imagined. Sometimes we want to do good and are unable to carry it out; other times we do not even want to do what we know is right.

All: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Worship Leader: We say that we love Your law, but our actions wage war against Your perfect way. We sin against You in thought, word, and deed. You have set us free from the bondage of sin, yet we choose to live as slaves, addicted to our destructive habits. Have mercy upon us and forgive us, O God.

All: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Galatians 5:1

For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

Songs of Renewal

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Revelation Song

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Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain
Holy, holy is He
Sing a new song to Him Who sits on
Heaven's mercy seat

Repeat

(Chorus)

*Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty
Who was and is and is to come
With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings
You are my everything and I will adore You*

Clothed in rainbows of living color
Flashes of lightning rolls of thunder
Blessing and honor, strength and glory and power be
To You the only wise King

Chorus

Filled with wonder awestruck wonder
At the mention of Your name
Jesus, Your name is power breath and living water
Such a marvelous mystery

Chorus x2

Jesus Messiah

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He became sin, who knew no sin;
That we might become His righteousness.
He humbled Himself, and carried the cross.
Love so amazing, love so amazing.

Chorus

*Jesus, Messiah; Name above all names; Blessed Redeemer; Emmanuel.
The rescue for sinners, the ransom from heaven; Jesus Messiah, Lord of all.*

His body the bread, His blood the wine broken and poured out, all for love.
The whole earth trembled, and the veil was torn.
Love so amazing, love so amazing.

Chorus

All our hope is in You, all our hope is in You;
All the glory to You, God, the Light of the world.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father! Glory be to the Son!
Glory be to the Holy Spirit!
Now and forever, world without end.

Confession of Faith ☩

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe in one holy Catholic¹ and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. AMEN.

¹ That is, the Christian Church made up of believers throughout history

Pastoral Prayer *(followed by the Lord's Prayer)*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Announcements

(Children age 4 through 5th grade may be dismissed for children's church)

Sermon

"Entering the Story"

Pastor Grant Carroll
Philippians 1:1-2; Acts 16

The Lord's Supper

Communion, also called The Lord's Supper or Eucharist, is the family meal of Christians. We invite all committed followers of Jesus Christ to share in this sacrament: those who are baptized members of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, who are at peace with God and their neighbor, and who seek strength to live in a deeper communion with Jesus. If you are not a Christian, or you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer. We hope that this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with his people, the Church.

Closing Hymn #231

"Jesus Shall Reign"

Watts/Hatton

Benediction

✠ Worship Notes

Creeds, while important to the life and faith of the Church, are subordinate to the Scriptures. We believe that the Creeds accurately reflect the Bible's teaching, but they are not inspired, inerrant or infallible. Creeds may be questioned and corrected if necessary. But Creeds such as the Apostles' Creed and the Nicene Creed have stood the test of time and many assaults from various directions. And as we confess our faith together, we are joining the voices of Christians past, present and future, reflecting the unity of the Christ's Church throughout history.

Philippians 1:1-2

1 Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus,

To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are at Philippi, with the overseers and deacons:

2 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Acts 16

16 Paul came also to Derbe and to Lystra. A disciple was there, named Timothy, the son of a Jewish woman who was a believer, but his father was a Greek. **2** He was well spoken of by the brothers at Lystra and Iconium. **3** Paul wanted Timothy to accompany him, and he took him and circumcised him because of the Jews who were in those places, for they all knew that his father was a Greek. **4** As they went on their way through the cities, they delivered to them for observance the decisions that had been reached by the apostles and elders who were in Jerusalem. **5** So the churches were strengthened in the faith, and they increased in numbers daily.

6 And they went through the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia. **7** And when they had come up to Mysia, they attempted to go into Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus did not allow them. **8** So, passing by Mysia, they went down to Troas. **9** And a vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." **10** And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

11 So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, **12** and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. **13** And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. **14** One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. **15** And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay." And she prevailed upon us.

¹⁶ As we were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners much gain by fortune-telling. ¹⁷ She followed Paul and us, crying out, "These men are servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation." ¹⁸ And this she kept doing for many days. Paul, having become greatly annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

¹⁹ But when her owners saw that their hope of gain was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the rulers. ²⁰ And when they had brought them to the magistrates, they said, "These men are Jews, and they are disturbing our city. ²¹ They advocate customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to accept or practice." ²² The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates tore the garments off them and gave orders to beat them with rods. ²³ And when they had inflicted many blows upon them, they threw them into prison, ordering the jailer to keep them safely. ²⁴ Having received this order, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks.

²⁵ About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them, ²⁶ and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken. And immediately all the doors were opened, and everyone's bonds were unfastened. ²⁷ When the jailer woke and saw that the prison doors were open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped. ²⁸ But Paul cried with a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." ²⁹ And the jailer called for lights and rushed in, and trembling with fear he fell down before Paul and Silas. ³⁰ Then he brought them out and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" ³¹ And they said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." ³² And they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. ³³ And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their wounds; and he was baptized at once, he and all his family. ³⁴ Then he brought them up into his house and set food before them. And he rejoiced along with his entire household that he had believed in God.

³⁵ But when it was day, the magistrates sent the police, saying, "Let those men go." ³⁶ And the jailer reported these words to Paul, saying, "The magistrates have sent to let you go. Therefore come out now and go in peace." ³⁷ But Paul said to them, "They have beaten us publicly, uncondemned, men who are Roman citizens, and have thrown us into prison; and do they now throw us out secretly? No! Let them come themselves and take us out." ³⁸ The police reported these words to the magistrates, and they were afraid when they heard that they were Roman citizens. ³⁹ So they came and apologized to them. And they took them out and asked them to leave the city. ⁴⁰ So they went out of the prison and visited Lydia. And when they had seen the brothers, they encouraged them and departed.

WELCOME TO FAITH

Welcome to Faith Presbyterian Church. We're glad you are worshipping with us today. Below you will find information regarding small groups, Sunday School, children's and youth ministries, service and prayer opportunities, and what we believe. If you have any questions about our church or Christianity or specific needs we can pray for, please contact the church office at (256) 238-8721 or email us at sfreeman@faithchristian.info.

SMALL GROUPS

Small Groups are the building blocks of FPC. Sunday mornings we meet with the triune-God in a unique way, but it is in the context of small groups that community is built and nourished.

<i>Group</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Contact</i>	<i>Phone Number</i>	<i>Meeting Time</i>
<i>Youth Group</i>	<i>Faith</i>	<i>Jay Dial</i>	<i>256-613-1153</i>	<i>Sunday, 5:30 pm</i>
<i>Ping's</i>	<i>Ping Home</i>	<i>Jack Totherow</i>	<i>256-452-3661</i>	<i>Sunday, 6:00 pm</i>
<i>Ladies Bible Study</i>	<i>Faith</i>	<i>Alice Walker</i>	<i>256-225-1349</i>	<i>Wednesday, 10:00 am</i>
<i>Commons</i>	<i>Faith</i>	<i>Grant Carroll</i>	<i>601-421-1277</i>	<i>1st & 3rd Wed., 5:30 pm</i>
<i>Searle</i>	<i>Searle Home</i>	<i>Rick Searle</i>	<i>256-239-5264</i>	<i>Wednesday, 6:15 pm</i>

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Room	Topic	Teacher
<u>Children:</u>		
0-2 yrs (Nursery)	Jesus Story Book Bible	Susan Weaver, Suzan Freeman Kathryn Searle
3-4 yrs (Yellow Rm)	Teaching Little Ones: Learning About God	Katie Weaver & Mary Mallory
K5-2nd grade (L-2)	Investigating God's Word: Genesis 25-50, Job, Matthew	Kris Herndon & Beth Wilson
3rd- 5th grade (L-9)	Investigating God's Word: Genesis 25-50, Job, Exodus	Eliska Mattox & Sue Pruitt
<u>Youth:</u>		
Pastor's Office	A Study of John 1-10	Jay Dial
<u>Adults:</u>		
L14	Psalms	Rick/Jack/Vince
Board Room	Galatians: Jesus + Nothing	Grant Carroll
L12	Inquirer's Class (Feb 11, 18, 25)	Rick Searle

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deacon Meeting... tonight at 5:00 pm in the pastor's office.

Elder Meeting... Tuesday evening at 6:30 pm in the pastor's office.

Commons Small Group

Bring your own dinner and join us this Wednesday at 5:30 pm in The Commons for a time of fellowship, followed by prayer.

Youth Group Save the Date

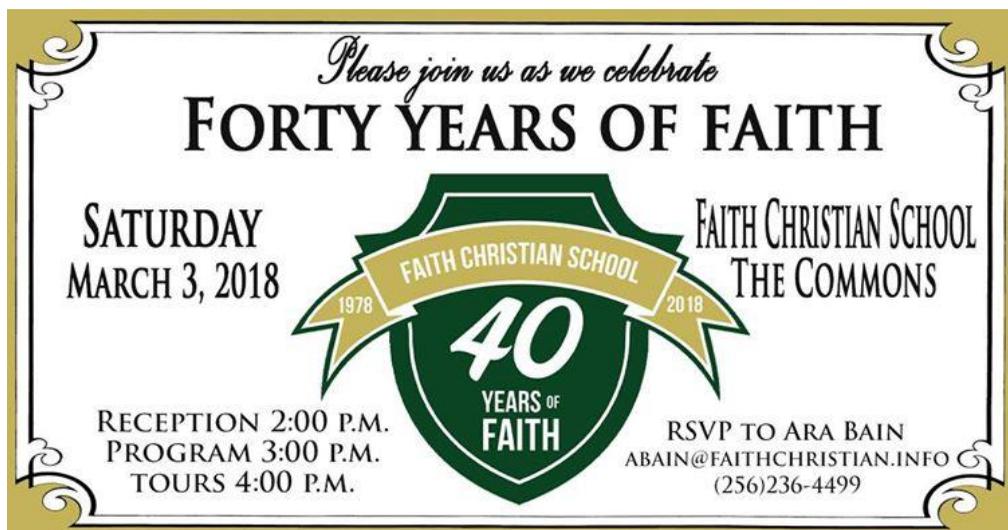
Grab your bowling shoes and make plans to join us on Sunday evening, February 25.

Publix Partner Program

Publix Super Markets has a great program that will enable Faith Christian School to make money every time you shop at Publix. It's simple! All you need to do is present a FCS - Publix Partners card when you shop, and Publix will handle everything else! You can pick up a card from the table in the rear of the sanctuary.

Forty Years of Faith

Join us on Saturday, March 3, as we celebrate the fortieth anniversary of Faith Christian School. Guest speakers will include Dr. Bill Lanier (our first Headmaster), Dr. Ben Character (Headmaster when we expanded to a high school), and Mr. Chip Jones, our current Headmaster.



PLEASE PRAY FOR

Josiah McDaniel, being treated and monitored for an irregular heartbeat

Kelsey McWilliams, recovering from back surgery

This week's families: Suzan Freeman, Ann Gilliland, Joe & Diane Gilliland

Military: Peck Mallory III, Ben Herndon, Jonathan Searle, Jon Mattox, Adam Shelley, Aaron Pugh, Quenton Moore, Parker Moore, Tyler Harris, Andrew Smith, Jason Moore

Pregnancies: Ginny Searle, Katie Weaver

Homes to sell: Chip & Anne Jones, Andrea Callahan, Grant & Camille Carroll (Mississippi house)

Church Ministry: Discipleship

Church Leaders & Staff: Chris Probst, Joe Searle

Young Adults: Sara Kathryn Searle, Chloe Smith, Julianne Smith

Those struggling with health issues: Rosie Ping, Gene Wilson, Fred Medley, Gladys Snow, Jesse Floeck, Rosemary Cooley, Kevin Miller, Rob Bailey, Paul Hayden, Louis Feazell, Colleen Taylor

Those who are battling cancer: Chris Mixon, Craig Childs Sr., Anne Yoggy, George Yoggy, Cassie Brock, Lesley LaPlante, Damion Womack, Janet Sykes, Joanne Corbin

Those being cared for at home or an extended care facility: Tina McLeod, Annie Bell, Ann Gilliland, Laurie Shaffer (Kris Herndon's sister), Gladys Snow, Dottie Brazelton, Clifford Herndon

Missionaries: Katherine Long (Bulgaria, MTW); Derek & Laura Dougherty (Peru, MTW); Brad & Colleen Taylor (International World Reach); Anees Zaka (Church Without Walls); Kristen Flaniken (Wycliffe Bible Translators); Daniel & Courtney Hightower (JSU, RUF); Wayne and Ann Curles (Burma, Church Resource Ministries)

This Week's Schedule

Sun: 9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship
5:00 pm Deacon Meeting
5:30 pm Youth Group
6:00 pm Ping Small Group

Mon: 10:30 am Staff Meeting

Tue: 9:30 am Ladies Discipleship
6:30 pm Elder Meeting

Wed: 10:00 am Ladies Bible Study
5:30 pm Commons Small Group
6:15 pm Searle Small Group

Children's Ministry

This Week	Next Week
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Infant Worship:	Infant Worship:
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Beth Wilson	Kathryn Searle
Jean Miller	Alicia Williams

2-3 Year Worship:	2-3 Year Worship:
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Leigh Anne Hill	Chrissy McLeod
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4 Yrs-1st grade:	4 Yrs-1st grade:
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Sue Pruitt	Katie Weaver
Sheila Totherow	

2nd-5th grade:	2nd-5th grade:
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Shannon Robertson	Rick Searle
Eddie Herndon	Jay Dial

Deacon:

This Week: Joe Searle
Next Week: Chris Probst

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Jimmy Miller-18th,
Shannon Robertson-21st

WELCOME CARD

Please detach and place in the offering plate in the back of the sanctuary.

Date: _____

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Child(ren): _____

Email: _____

Phone(s): _____

Address: _____

Please indicate:

- 1st Time Guest
- 2nd Time Guest
- Regular Attendee
- Member

I would like more information about:

- What FPC believes
- Small Groups
- Youth Group
- Children's Ministry
- Joining FPC in Membership
- La Iglesia Casa de Adoracion en Anniston

WHAT WE BELIEVE

- We believe the Bible is the written word of God, inspired by the Holy Spirit and without error in the original manuscripts. The Bible is the revelation of God's truth and is infallible and authoritative in all matters of faith and practice.
- We believe in the Holy Trinity. There is one God, who exists eternally in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- We believe that all are sinners and totally unable to save themselves from God's displeasure.
- We believe that salvation is by God alone, by grace alone, and through faith in Christ alone, not based upon any human merit.
- We believe that Jesus Christ is the eternal Son of God, who through His perfect life and sacrificial death atoned for the sins of all who will trust in Him, alone, for salvation.
- We believe that God is gracious and faithful to His people, not simply as individuals but as families in successive generations according to His Covenant promises.
- We believe that the Holy Spirit indwells God's people and gives them the strength and wisdom to trust Christ and follow Him.
- We believe that Jesus will return, bodily and visibly to judge all mankind and to receive His people to Himself.
- We believe that all aspects of our lives are to be lived to the glory of God under the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

The Vision of Faith Presbyterian Church is

To become a fellowship of
believers who are experiencing the
transforming power of the Gospel,
And are Instruments of Change
in the lives of others

Our Mission is

To *reach* people for Christ
And *equip* them to serve

Elders

Rick Searle *Senior Pastor*
Grant Carroll *Associate Pastor*
Peck Mallory, Vince Mattox,
Jimmy Miller, Shannon Robertson,
Tim Smith, Phil Stumbo,
Jack Totherow, Jay Walker

Deacons

Chad McLeod, Kelsey McWilliams,
Charlie Ping, Chris Probst,
Joe Searle, Brian Totherow,
Brad Weaver, Justin Williams

Ministry Leadership

Rick Searle *Senior Pastor*
Grant Carroll *Associate Pastor*
Jay Dial (Intern) *Youth Ministry*
Chrissy McLeod *Children's Ministry*
Suzan Freeman *Office Administrator*
Ara Bain *Remembrance*
Jennifer Bush *Hospitality*