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The Lord's Day

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“The church... is not meant to call men and women out of the world into a safe religious enclave but to call them out in order to send them back as agents of God's kingship.”

— Lesslie Newbigin

“I place no value on anything I possess, except in relationship to the kingdom of God.”

— David Livingston

Call to Worship

Psalm 36:5-9

Worship Leader: Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

All: Your righteousness is like the mountains of God; your judgments are like the great deep; man and beast you save, O LORD.

Worship Leader: How precious is your steadfast love, O God! The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

All: They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights. For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light.

Hymn of Praise #494

“Like a River Glorious”

Havergal/Mountain

Invocation

Call to Confession of Sins ☩

Psalm 34:11-14

Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD. What man is there who desires life and loves many days, that he may see good? Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking deceit. Turn away from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Almighty and most merciful Father; we have strayed from you like lost sheep. We have followed too often the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have broken your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us, your children. You spare those, O Lord, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for the sake of Christ and by the power of the Spirit, that we may live holy, righteous, and loving lives, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 34:17-18

When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears and delivers them out of all their troubles. The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.

Songs of Renewal

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My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

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My Shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is His Name;
In pastures fresh He makes me feed beside the living stream.
He brings my wand'ring spirit back when I forsake His ways,
And leads me, for His mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.

When I walk thru the shades of death, Thy presence is my stay;
A word of Thy supporting breath drives all my fears away.
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread;
My cup with blessings overflows; Thine oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days;
O may Thy house be mine abode, and all my work be praise!
There would I find a settled rest (while others go and come),
No more a stranger or a guest, but like a child at home.

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling #92

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heav'n , to earth come down;
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling, all Thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, Thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation, enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit into ev'ry troubled breast!
Let us all in thee inherit, let us find that promised rest.
Take away our bent to sinning, Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, almighty to deliver, let us all Thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never, nevermore Thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing, serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
Pray and praise Thee without ceasing, glory in Thy perfect love.

Finish then Thy new creation, pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see Thy great salvation perfectly restored in Thee:
Changed from glory into glory, till in Heav'n we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee, lost in wonder, love and praise!

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Let all things their creator bless, and worship him with humbleness!
O praise him, Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One,
O praise him! O praise him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

Confession of Faith

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic¹ Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. 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

"Life of a Star"

Pastor Rick Searle
Philippians 2:14-18

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 #347

"Be Still, My Soul"

Schlegel/Sibelius

Benediction

✠ Worship Notes

"All those who are distressed because of their sins and sense themselves to be under God's wrath...are on the highway to grace and favour. God justifies only those who repent; he exalts only those who are humbled; he comforts none but the distressed; he has mercy only on those who both know and feel they lack it, and who also know that there is nowhere else to receive it except at his hands. Happy therefore is the person who feels the weight and burden of sin. To him Christ will bring ease and comfort" [William Perkins, "The Calling of the Ministry," 1602].

Philippians 2:1-18

¹ If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, ² then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose. ³ Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. ⁴ Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.

⁵ Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus:

⁶ Who, being in very nature God,
did not consider equality with God something to be grasped,
⁷ but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant,
being made in human likeness.

⁸ And being found in appearance as a man,
he humbled himself and became obedient to death-- even death on a cross!

⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place
and gave him the name that is above every name,
¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

¹² Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed--not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence--continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling,

¹³ for it is God who works in you to will and to act according to his good purpose.

¹⁴ Do everything without complaining or arguing, ¹⁵ so that you may become blameless and pure, children of God without fault in a crooked and depraved generation, in which you shine like stars in the universe ¹⁶ as you hold out the word of life--in order that I may boast on the day of Christ that I did not run or labor for nothing. ¹⁷ But even if I am being poured out like a drink offering on the sacrifice and service coming from your faith, I am glad and rejoice with all of you. ¹⁸ So you too should be glad and rejoice with me.

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 Fellowship</i>	<i>Faith</i>	<i>Jay Dial</i>	<i>256-613-1153</i>	<i>Sunday, 6:00 pm</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Smith Home</i>	<i>Grant Carroll</i>	<i>601-421-1277</i>	<i>2nd & 4th Sun., 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>

Small Group Descriptions

Check the chart for dates, locations and times.

Smith Group –Our goal is to fellowship around the table and spend some time praying for one another. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. Youth Fellowship begins at the same time so, if you have youth age children, you can drop them off at the church before heading to the Smiths.

Searle Group – A blended group that starts with a “family style pot-luck dinner around the table” followed by a book study

Commons Group - For people in their 20s-40s who want to grow in their relationship to God through Christ and in their relationships to brothers and sisters in Christ. We will meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month, from 5:30 pm to 7 pm, in The Commons for dinner, fellowship and prayer (BYOD - Bring your own dinner.) Group members will alternate providing child care during prayer time.

Ladies Bible Study - A small group of women who meet faithfully throughout the year for study, prayer and encouragement

SUNDAY SCHOOL

<u>Room</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Teacher</u>
<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	<i>A Loving Life</i> by Paul Miller	Grant Carroll

Sunday School Class Descriptions

- A study of John 1-10

Who is Jesus? "I'm spiritual but not religious"—is that enough? How is Jesus the Light of the World? Why are Jesus' words of eternal life confusing—or even offensive—to many people? In *A Study of John 1–10*, students have the opportunity to listen to the greatest Teacher of all—Jesus, God himself in the flesh—when he walked this earth. In this eyewitness account written by "the disciple whom Jesus loved," we find Jesus using everyday items and events to teach deep spiritual truths, and everyone must either believe or reject him.

- Psalms

The Book of Psalms powerfully resonates with the whole spectrum of human emotions and experiences, resounding with heartfelt praise, humble confession, and honest lament. Using the 12-week study guide by Douglas O'Donnell, we'll explain the biblical text with clarity and passion, explore the Bible's ability to transform our emotions and incline our hearts toward worship. Study guides are \$6.

- A Loving Life

How do you love with no love in return? How do you love when no one notices or cares? In *A Loving Life*, Paul Miller looks to the book of Ruth for the help we need to embrace relationship, endure rejection, cultivate community and reach out to even the most unlovable around us. Books are just \$7.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

Box Tops for Education

An easy way to support one of our ministries, Faith Christian School, is by clipping Box Tops for Education. Every Box Top is worth 10¢ and quickly adds up. If you have any Box Tops saved at home, please bring them in. The school is preparing to send in their end of year collection. Please leave them in the box on the counter in the church office. Thanks for your help!

Faith Cup

Faith Christian School FADS 4th Annual Golf Tournament has been rescheduled for Saturday, May 19. It will be a two man scramble at Silver Lakes. Reservation forms are available on the counter in the church office. If you or your business would like to sponsor a hole, sponsorship forms are in the church office as well. The deadline for signing up for the golf tournament and for turning in hole sponsorships is Wednesday, May 9

Church Directory Updates

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Beth Wilson
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OUR CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY TO

George Yoggy and family on the death of his wife, Anne (a friend of the Pings)

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Sheila Totherow, recovering from a bout of colitis

The continued disaster recovery in Jacksonville

This week's families: Joe Searle, Rick & Kathryn Searle, Jonathan Searle

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

Pregnancies: Katie Weaver, Alicia Probst, Elizabeth Weaver Kirk

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

Church Ministry: FCS School Board

Church Leaders & Staff: Charlie Ping, Chris Probst

Young Adults: Sarah Burleigh, Bernie Gilliland, Hannah Herndon

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: Lynda Doss (Ara Bain's niece), Karen Troppman, Chris Mixon, Craig Childs Sr., 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, 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
6:00 pm Youth Group

Tue: 9:30 am Ladies Discipleship
1:30 pm Staff Meeting

Wed: 5:30 pm Commons Group
6:15 pm Searle Group

Children's Ministry

This Week	Next Week
Infant Worship: Claire Stover Kathryn Searle	Infant Worship: Alicia Williams Susan Weaver
2-3 Year Worship: Kris Herndon	2-3 Year Worship: Jack Totherow
4 Yrs-1st grade: Hellon McWilliams	4 Yrs-1st grade: Alice & Jay Walker
2nd-5th grade: Shannon Robertson Jay Dial	2nd-5th grade: Jay Dial Grant Carroll

Deacon:

This Week: Brad Weaver
Next Week: Brian Totherow

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Jackson Montgomery-29th,
Sandy Orr-30th,
Cristie Smith-3rd

WELCOME CARD

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

Date: _____

Name (s): _____

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*
Alicia Williams *Hospitality*