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The Lord's Day

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What is now our comfort? Christ, our Priest, who has atoned for us and looks upon us and sees our enemies and reminds the Father that He is our portion. When we feel this in our conscience, we have a sure access to the Father in every need. We fail to see this only because our eyes are not sufficiently penetrating to pierce the clouds and look into heaven, and be assured that Christ is our Advocate.

— Martin Luther

Call to Worship ☩

Genesis 17:1-19

Worship Leader: When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to him and said, “I am God Almighty; walk before me faithfully and be blameless. ² Then I will make my covenant between me and you and will greatly increase your numbers.”

All: ³ Abram fell facedown, and God said to him, ⁴ “As for me, this is my covenant with you: You will be the father of many nations. ⁵ No longer will you be called Abram; your name will be Abraham, for I have made you a father of many nations. ⁶ I will make you very fruitful; I will make nations of you, and kings will come from you. ⁷ I will establish my covenant as an everlasting covenant between me and you and your descendants after you for the generations to come, to be your God and the God of your descendants after you.

Worship Leader: ⁸ The whole land of Canaan, where you now reside as a foreigner, I will give as an everlasting possession to you and your descendants after you; and I will be their God.”

All: ⁹ Then God said to Abraham, “As for you, you must keep my covenant, you and your descendants after you for the generations to come. ¹⁰ This is my covenant with you and your descendants after you, the covenant you are to keep: Every male among you shall be circumcised. ¹¹ You are to undergo circumcision, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and you.

Worship Leader: ¹² For the generations to come every male among you who is eight days old must be circumcised, including those born in your household or bought with money from a foreigner—those who are not your offspring. ¹³ Whether born in your household or bought with your money, they must be circumcised. My covenant in your flesh is to be an everlasting covenant. ¹⁴ Any uncircumcised male, who has not been circumcised in the flesh, will be cut off from his people; he has broken my covenant.”

All: ¹⁵ God also said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you are no longer to call her Sarai; her name will be Sarah. ¹⁶ I will bless her and will surely give you a son by her. I will bless her so that she will be the mother of nations; kings of peoples will come from her.”

Worship Leader: ¹⁷ Abraham fell facedown; he laughed and said to himself, “Will a son be born to a man a hundred years old? Will Sarah bear a child at the age of ninety?” ¹⁸ And Abraham said to God, “If only Ishmael might live under your blessing!”

All: ¹⁹ Then God said, “Yes, but your wife Sarah will bear you a son, and you will call him Isaac. I will establish my covenant with him as an everlasting covenant for his descendants after him.

Hymn of Praise #385

“Near the Cross”

Crosby/Doane

Invocation

Call to Confession of Sins

1 John 1:8-10

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Father, we confess that we do not live up to the family name. We are more ready to resent than to forgive, more ready to manipulate than to serve, more ready to fear than to love, more ready to keep our distance than to welcome, more ready to compete than to help. At the root of this behavior is mistrust and self-love. We do not love one another as we should, because we do not believe that you love us as you do. Forgive us our cold unbelief. Show us what it cost you to give up your Son that we might become your sons and daughters. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our only righteousness. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

1 John 3:2-3

Beloved, we are God’s children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Paul Baloche ©1997 Integrity's Hosanna! Music CCLI Song #2298355

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, open the eyes of my heart.
I want to see you . . . I want to see you.

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, open the eyes of my heart.
I want to see you . . . I want to see you.

To see You high and lifted up, shining in the light of Your glory.
Pour out Your power and love as we sing, holy, holy, holy.

Repeat

Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy.
Holy, holy, holy. I want to see You.

Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy.
Holy, holy, holy. I want to see You.

Ancient Words

Lynn DeShazo © 2001 Integrity's Hosanna! Music CCLI #2986399

Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world,
They resound with God's own heart, Oh, let the Ancient words impart.

Words of Life, words of Hope, give us strength, help us cope,
In this world, where e'er we roam, ancient words will guide us Home.

Chorus

*Ancient words ever true, changing me, and changing you.
We have come with open hearts, Oh, let the ancient words impart.*

Holy words of our Faith handed down to this age.
Came to us through sacrifice, Oh, heed the faithful words of Christ.

Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world.
They resound with God's own heart, Oh, let the ancient words impart.

*Ancient words ever true, changing me, and changing you.
We have come with open hearts, Oh, let the ancient words impart.*

(Repeat chorus two more times)

Doxology

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth.
O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth.
O Lord, we praise Your name, O Lord, we magnify Your name;
Prince of Peace, Mighty God, O Lord God Almighty.

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

"Glory Bomb"

Pastor Rick Searle
Philippians 3:1-9

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.

Benediction ☩

☩ **Worship Notes**

This word of God is everywhere in worship. In the call to worship we hear God’s first word to us; in the benediction we hear God’s last word to us; in the Scripture lessons [readings] we hear God speaking to our faith-parents; in the sermon we hear that word re-expressed to us; in the hymns, which are all to a greater or lesser extent paraphrases of Scripture, the Word of God makes our prayer articulate. Every time we worship our minds are informed, our memories refreshed with the judgments of God, we are familiarized with what God says, what he has decided, the ways he is working out our salvation.

~Eugene Peterson, *A Long Obedience in the Same Direction*

Philippians 3:1-9

¹Finally, my brothers, rejoice in the Lord! It is no trouble for me to write the same things to you again, and it is a safeguard for you.

² Watch out for those dogs, those men who do evil, those mutilators of the flesh. ³ For it is we who are the circumcision, we who worship by the Spirit of God, who glory in Christ Jesus, and who put no confidence in the flesh--⁴ though I myself have reasons for such confidence.

⁵ If anyone else thinks he has reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for legalistic righteousness, faultless.

⁷ But whatever was to my profit I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸ What is more, I consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them rubbish, that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ--the righteousness that comes from God and is by faith.

Notes

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.

Group	Location	Contact	Phone Number	Meeting Time
<i>Youth Fellowship</i>	<i>Faith</i>	<i>Jay Dial</i>	<i>256-613-1153</i>	<i>2nd & 4th Sun., 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>Summer Schedule</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	<i>A Loving Life</i> by Paul Miller	Grant Carroll

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Camp Logos 2018 Friday-Sunday, June 8-10

The theme for this year is *Rooted in the Gospel & Growing in Grace; Psalm 1*. Registration and T-shirt order forms are available in the church office and need to be turned in by May 20. More details to follow. You don't have to be involved with Camp Logos to order a t-shirt. It displays our new logo.

Hospitality & Stewardship Team

The Hospitality & Stewardship Team will meet Tuesday evening at 6:30 pm in the pastor's office.

Ladies Lunch Bunch

All ladies are welcome to join our Lunch Bunch group this Wednesday, May 16, at 12:00 p.m. at Dad's Bar-B-Que, 3105 McClellan Blvd, Anniston, AL 36201

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.

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3. Enter your email as it's listed in our church directory.
4. Follow the directions on screen to complete the login process.



OUR CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY TO

Jay Dial and family on the death of his cousin, Max Cochran. Pray for Jay's family, especially Max's parents, David and Kelly.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Eddie Pruitt (Mike Pruitt and Sheila Totherow's brother), who has been diagnosed with an aggressive prostate cancer and will begin radiation treatment soon

The continued disaster recovery in Jacksonville

This week's families: Brian Totherow, Jay & Alice Walker, Brad & Katie Weaver

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: Grant & Camille Carroll (Mississippi house), Andrea Callahan

Church Ministry: Discipleship

Church Leaders & Staff: Brad Weaver, Justin Williams

Young Adults: 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: 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, MIW); Derek & Laura Dougherty (Peru, MIW); 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: 10:30 am Worship
Tue: 1:30 pm Staff Meeting
6:30 pm Hospitality & Stewardship
Team Meeting
Wed: 12:00 pm Ladies Lunch Bunch
5:30 pm Commons Group
Sat: FADS Golf T'ment

Children's Ministry

This Week	Next Week
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Infant Worship: Alicia Williams Suzan Freeman	Infant Worship: Jean Miller Kathryn Searle
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2-3 Year Worship: Deby Buchanan	2-3 Year Worship: Leigh Anne Hill
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4 Yrs-1st grade: Alice & Jay Walker	4 Yrs-1st grade: Camille Carroll Claire Stover
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2nd-5th grade: Chad McLeod Brian Totherow	2nd-5th grade: Rick Searle Jay Dial
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Deacon:

This Week: Kelsey McWilliams
Next Week: Chad McLeod

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Taylor Freeman-14th,
Shannon & Lisa Robertson (A)-15th,
Forney & Joni Russ (A)-15th,
Alan Bain-16th,
Chrissy McLeod-16th,
Alice Walker-17th,
Chad Mcleod-17th,
Joe Mike Montgomery-17th,
Vince & Eliska Mattox (A)-19th

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*