



Faith

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A community loving Christ,
building disciples, serving all

Go!
Part 1—Before We Go
Matthew 9:35-38

*Do you not say, “Four months more, then comes the harvest”?
But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting.
-John 4:35*

Welcome, Guests!

Friends,

We are glad you are here with us and hope you sense God's presence in worship today. If there is any way we can be of help to you, don't hesitate to ask. Here are a few of the questions we often hear from our guests when they first visit:

- ~ **How long is the worship service here at Faith?** Our worship services typically run 60 to 70 minutes.
- ~ **How can I introduce myself?** We'd love to meet you after the service; don't hesitate to introduce yourself! You can also visit our webpage (www.faithpresby.org), and click on the "I'm New" tab and then the "Introduce Yourself" button. This is a great way to let the pastoral staff know who you are and how we might welcome and serve you.
- ~ **I have kids. Are they welcome here?** Absolutely! We love the sounds of children in the sanctuary. During the children's message at the 9:00 a.m. worship service, kids up to 6th grade are invited to come up front to listen in. Having them stay with you to listen is also fine. After the children's message, children are invited down the hall to Room 4 (grades 3 to 6) and Room 5 (Pre-K to 2nd grade) with our children's staff. Nursery care is available throughout the 9:00 a.m. worship service in Room 7.
- ~ **Are there classes for adults?** Yes. Check the bulletin and listen for announcements in worship about upcoming classes. We currently have in-person and online classes.
- ~ **What if I have trouble hearing the service?** If you have difficulty hearing, please ask one of our ushers for a personal receiver for the hearing impaired. Also, a T-Loop hearing-assist system is available in the back four pews on the right side of the sanctuary. Set your hearing aid to the "T" setting.
- ~ **How can I find out more information about Faith?** Feel free to speak to any of us and if we can't answer your questions, we'll find somebody who can. Our website is a great source of information: www.faithpresby.org. Also, *This Week @ Faith* is a weekly email that goes out on Mondays with information about upcoming opportunities and activities. Email Laura Anderson in our office at landerson@faithpresby.org if you'd like to be included on the email distribution list.
- ~ **What if I'm interested in exploring membership or deeper involvement at Faith?** If you'd like to know more about becoming a member at Faith, or want to understand how you can begin or continue to grow in your Christian faith, we encourage you to contact one of our pastors. You can call the church office at (916) 428-3439 or email one of our staff members. (Email addresses are available on our webpage and further on in this bulletin.) We'd love to meet you and find out how we can be of help.

Again, we are glad you are here with us today!

Grace and peace,

The People of Faith



Faith Presbyterian Church of Sacramento
SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
OCTOBER 12, 2025
Order of Worship

✠ *Those who are able, please stand.*
Please silence all electronics before the start of worship.

Prelude Eunice Bancu; Faith Brass Ensemble (11:00)

Greeting Kimberly MacArthur

One: The Lord be with you!

All: **And also with you!**

✠ **Call to Worship & Lighting of the Christ Candles** James Houston (9:00)
Grace Chand (11:00)

✠ **Song of Praise** (All songs used by permission CCLI #676622) *Your Words Are Wonderful*

Prayer of Confession Kimberly MacArthur

Response to Confession *Build My Life*

✠ **Declaration of Forgiveness**

One: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel

All: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

One: Let us pass the peace of Christ.

Welcome Jeff Chapman

Moment for Ministry: Nominating Committee Dave Reynen (9:00)
Lucy DaCastello (11:00)

Anthem (11:00) Faith Chancel Choir

He Hideth My Soul (F. J. Crosby, W. Kirkpatrick; arr. J. Carter)

A wonderful Savior is Jesus my Lord,
A wonderful Savior to me;
He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock,
Where rivers of pleasure I see.

He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock
That shadows a dry, thirsty land;
He hideth my life in the depths of his love,
And covers me there with his hand,
And covers me there with his hand.

A wonderful Savior is Jesus my Lord,
He taketh my burden away;
He holdeth me up, and I shall not be moved,
He giveth me strength for each day.

With numberless blessings each moment he crowns,
And, filled with his fullness divine,
I sing in my rapture, "O glory to God
"For such a Redeemer as mine!"

Scripture Reading: Matthew 9:35-38

April Reichert (9:00); Renee Larsen (11:00)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

At this point in the 9:00 service, children pre-K to 6th grade are invited either to be excused to our children's programs or to return and sit with their families.

Prayer of Illumination

Message

Jeff Chapman

Go!

Part 1—Before We Go

After the sermon, youth in 7th and 8th grades are invited to the Youth Room for Donuts & Discussion.

Prayers of the People & 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.

Giving & Receiving of God's Tithe and Our Offerings

April Reichert (9:00)

Renee Larsen (11:00)

After worship, you may place your offering in the basket at the back of the sanctuary.

Offertory

Eunice Bancu

✠Doxology (*literally, Words to Glorify*)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

✠Prayer of Dedication

✠Hymn of Faith

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart
#326, The Presbyterian Hymnal

✠Benediction

✠Postlude

Eunice Bancu; Faith Brass Ensemble (11:00)

*If you would like to have somebody pray with you for any reason,
there will be a prayer team available in the front row immediately after worship this morning.
Prayer Team: Laura Anderson & Randy Smith (9:00) and Renee Larsen & Ileana Maestas (11:00)*

Announcements and Events

Family Ministry



For questions about Faith's Sunday morning children's programs, contact Lindsay Stanford, Interim Co-Director of Family Ministry, at lstanford@faithpresby.org.

Come Celebrate Ron Beams Today!

Today between services, we are going to bless and honor Ron Beams for his many years of dedicated service as Faith's Director of Congregational Care. When Ron officially retired at the end of August, we promised you an opportunity to celebrate him and to celebrate with him. The time is now! Join us **at 10:15 a.m. in Link Hall** as we honor Ron and his ministry among us and enjoy a good time of food and fellowship together.



Are You Interested in Baptism?

Pastor Jeff Chapman will facilitate a class for those interested in either being baptized, or having their children baptized (or just interested in learning about baptism!). The class will be held between services (10:15-11:00 a.m.) on Sunday, November 16. Please contact Pastor Jeff at jchapman@faithpresby.org if you are interested.



YOUTH GROUP TONIGHT

7:00 p.m. Youth Room

"Friendship" series continues tonight!

And...Apple Picking & Pizza

This Wednesday from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

AND...ASK TO JOIN THE GROUP APP HERE →

Contact Brett Shoemaker for more info and to get on our email list:

bshoemaker@faithpresby.org



Opportunities to Learn & Connect

Adult Sunday School

Visions of the Lord: A Study of Ezekiel

September 14, 21, 28

October 19, 26

November 9, 16, 23, 30

10:15 a.m., Grace Room

Facilitator: Rev. Dennis Montzingo

Ezekiel, the Old Testament prophet to the Exile, communicates God's timeless messages to his people, who find themselves caught up in a life and a world beyond their control. As we study together the time and challenges of God's people in the 6th century B.C. who found themselves living in exile in Babylon, we will consider and discuss God's surprising and enduring presence and promises not only for their time but also for us in our ever-changing lives and world today.

Here is the upcoming schedule. Please read the weekly Bible texts in advance of each session.

October 12 — *No Class*

October 19

God's Judgments Ezekiel 4-7

October 26

God's Judgments Ezekiel 10-12

November 9

Shepherds Ezekiel 33-34

November 16

Restoration Ezekiel 36-37

Feel Free to Join In!

The Way of Jesus: Learning to Do What Jesus Did

Wednesdays, October 1 to November 19

7:00-8:30 p.m., on Zoom

Facilitator: Alice Parente



Do you find it strange that these days, everybody wants to be a leader, but nobody wants to be a follower? Jesus asked *everybody* to become a follower and didn't ask *anybody* to become a leader.

Maybe we need to re-define the word "follower." We have all kinds of stereotypes about leaders as strong, healthy and courageous, while followers seem compliant, lacking in choice and freedom. And that is not at all what Jesus had in mind when he offered people the opportunity to follow him.

You are invited to an eight-week class exploring specific practices through which we can follow the Way of Jesus. We will practice ways to Be with Him; Become like Him; and Do as He did.

There is no book for this class. We will be using articles, podcasts, and videos created by widely renowned apprentices of Jesus, including some who came before us and practiced His way in their day and some who are alive and practicing His way in the here and now.

For more, contact Alice at vsas77@earthlink.net. The Zoom link will be in tomorrow's "This Week @ Faith" email.

October PresbyNews with Narthex Update!



The October issue of Faith's monthly newsletter is available for pick-up in the narthex after worship. You can also check out the full-color edition online, at faithpresby.org, under the Media tab. In this edition, you will find session reports from two of our elders, Vicky Chastain and Lucy DaCastello, as well as information about our Women's October book club gathering and about an upcoming RSVP concert here at Faith. And ... drumroll, please! ... you will also find the date of the Big Reveal for our remodeled narthex. It may well be sooner than you expect!

This Month at Reaching Out

Saturday, October 25, 1:00-2:30 p.m.



This month's Reaching Out Resource Fair at Bethany Presbyterian Church (corner of Fruitridge and 24th) will take place **Saturday, October 25, from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m.**

Come and join us as we share in a ministry of presence and helpful resources for some in our community who may need a little extra support offered in the name of Jesus. To find out ways you can serve at the fair, contact Reaching Out's coordinator, Cathy Philleo at philbertcekp@frontiernet.net.

For donations this month, here are the requested items: fall and winter clothing, including new or gently used and **clean** jackets, coats, mittens and gloves; blankets and throws; puzzles and games; toiletries; cleaning supplies; pet food and cat litter. In addition, we are beginning to collect donations for our Christmas celebration in early December. For this, we are seeking new or gently used and **clean** items, including toys, that can be given as gifts, as well as Christmas décor and decorations. We are also in need of gift wrap, gift bags with tissue paper, tape, and gift bows/ties. Please drop off donations in the narthex by Thursday, October 23, at 4:00 p.m. Thank you for caring for these neighbors with God's love!

Registration is now open!

Rise Against Hunger

Saturday, November 15, 2025, in Link Hall, 9:00 a.m. to Noon

Rise Against Hunger (RAH) is a fun and fast-paced food-packing event that the whole family can participate in. There are jobs, both sitting and standing, for almost everyone, regardless of age or physical ability. Last year we packaged 10,000 meals with time to spare. This year our goal is bolder—20,000 meals! We hope you will join us as, together, we fight against hunger.



Here is some important and helpful information to know:

- **Registration is now open!** Use the QR code at right to register. (There will also be a direct link sent in Monday's "This Week @ Faith" email.)
- **You must sign up in advance!** The amount of food that RAH sends us to package depends on the number of folks who register. If many people who are not registered show up to help, we finish early and have idle hands that could otherwise be engaged with packaging more food for hungry people. Note that when you register, you can indicate how many members of your immediate household are coming—just one registration for your whole family. Easy!
- Whether or not you can participate in the event, **you may also donate to the cause.** While the South Sacramento Rotary and Faith's own Mission team have both committed funds to this effort, any further funds donated will increase the amount of food that RAH sends us and, therefore, the total amount of food that we can package. If you would like to participate by donating, you may do so on the registration page using the same QR code at right. Or, if you prefer, you may write a check payable to Faith Presbyterian Church, with "Rise Against Hunger" on the memo line.
- **The deadline to register and/or to donate funds is Friday, November 7.** The deadline is needed to allow RAH sufficient time to order and deliver the food prior to our event.
- **Please pray!** In addition to any participation you may be able to offer through packing and/or donating, we would really love for everyone to join us in praying for a smooth and successful event here at Faith, as well as for God's protection and provision for all in our world who suffer the scourge of hunger.



PRESBY PUMPKIN PATCH

**FRIDAY,
OCTOBER 24TH
4:30-7:00 PM**

**REGISTER
HERE**



**HOT DOGS
POPCORN, & CANDY
GAMES
FACE PAINTING
PUMPKIN CARVING
WEAR YOUR FAMILY-FRIENDLY COSTUME**

**FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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Presby Pumpkin Patch Donations

To make the festivities extra special for Faith's kiddos, our Family Ministry team is seeking donations of new, small prizes for game winners (fidget toys, small crafts, fun little trinkets...), as well as treats and candy for the Trick-or-Treating portion of the event. Any donations may be dropped off in the church office and labeled for the Pumpkin Patch. Please bring them to the church by next Sunday, October 19. Thank you for your generosity and for adding to the fun of this event!



Presbyterian Women's October Fellowship

Wednesday, October 22 ~ 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. ~ Link Hall



All women of Faith are invited to join PW for this time of Christian friendship. This month's guest speaker is Amanda Kitaura, owner of Bloom. Bloom is a Sacramento-based, family-owned flower farm offering floral delivery subscription services. They deliver fresh, local bouquets each week or month. Bloom uses local flowers supporting local farmers, the local economy, and the local ecosystem. They also design flowers for elopements and micro-weddings and offer workshops and other amenities.

Bring your lunch; drinks, chips and dessert will be provided. For more information, contact Kathy Ellis at trvlkath@comcast.net or 916-215-4997.

Serving on Sunday at Faith

	Serving Today (10/12)		Serving Next Sunday (10/19)	
	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Acolyte	James Houston	Grace Chand	Madison Stanford	Madison Stanford
Coffee Hosts	Ron's retirement celebration in Link Hall!	Cindy DeYoung Tanis Toland	John & Stephanie Homen	Cathy Coupal Bonnie Schrader
Communion Servers	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Greeters	Bill Edgar & Linda Olsen-Edgar	Jarvis Arellano Lori Rapier	Bob & Tanya Anderson	Rich & Janelle Hendricks
Lock-up	N.A.	Bob Bagby	N.A.	Jon Coupal
Media Center Techs	Dave Anders Paul Kinney	Rick Hom	David Nash Anthony Shelton	Jon Coupal
Pew Crew	<i>Serving 10/13—10/16</i>	Cheryl Chan	<i>Serving 10/20—10/23</i>	Michele Yarbrough
Prayer Team	Laura Anderson Randy Smith	Renee Larsen Ileana Maestas	Sherry Beams Rich Hendricks	Chelle Ellis Alice Parente
Teller Escorts	Jennifer Anders	Jarvis Arellano	Bill Edgar	Paul Heaton
Tellers	N.A.	Erwina Bush Jim Tracy	N.A.	Bill Edgar Paul Heaton
Ushers	Stan & Cynde Keasling	Terry Fong	Roy Chastain	Jarvis Arellano
Worship Assistants	April Reichert	Renee Larsen	Paul Kinney	Vickie Weaver-Owens

Faith Worship Band: Eunice Bancu, Michaela Bannerman, Shane Bannerman, Esther Chapman, Andrew Chen, Sue Kim, Cindi Kinney, Paul Kinney, Carolyn Kubish, Paul Philleo, Zach Roberts, Mark Tootle, Makayla Van Duyn, Vickie Weaver-Owens and Jill Whitney.

Faith Brass Ensemble: José Hermocillo, Tom McDuffie, Fred Noteware, Dan Pehrson, Steve Rock, Laura Schneider and Carolyn Tillman (Director).

Faith Chancel Choir: Cynthia Abbott, Gregory Collins, Joe De Illy, Sally Evey, Jessica Flash, Paul Heaton, Janeil Hogue, Dane Huntingdale, Sue Kim, Cindi Kinney, Paul Kinney, Carolyn Kubish, Barbara LaPlaca, Kay Lum, Phil Lum, Betsy Pehrson, Dan Pehrson, Paul Philleo, Ken Pisor, April Reichert, Edna Rush and Charlotte Van Wagner.

Faith Staff Members ~ Contact Us

Laura Anderson ~ Office Manager
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 Jeff Chapman ~ Pastor/Head of Staff
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This Week @ Faith: October 12–18

SUNDAY

- **Worship—9:00 & 11:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)**
- Celebration for Ron Beams—10:15 a.m. (Link Hall)
- Our Savior's Anglican Church—11 a.m. (Link Hall)
- Deacon Meeting—12:30 p.m. (Rm 2)
- Immanuel Indonesian Church—4 p.m. (Link Hall)
- Youth Group—7 p.m. (Youth Rm, Link Hall)
- AA Meeting—7 p.m. (Rm 2)

MONDAY

- Faith Staff Meeting—9 a.m. (Fireside Rm)
- BSF Leaders Meeting—9 a.m. (Link Hall; Rms 2, 4, 5, 7)
- Faith Crafters—1 p.m. (Rm 2)
- Men's Life Group—1:30 p.m. (Choir Rm)
- Men's Discipleship Cohort—5:30 p.m. (Grace Rm)
- Women's Discipleship Cohort—5:30 p.m. (Fireside Rm)
- Session Meeting—7 p.m. (Sanctuary, Choir Rm)
- Women's Discipleship Cohort—7 p.m. (Fireside Rm)
- Women's AA Meeting—7 p.m. (Rm 2)

TUESDAY

- Morning Prayer—7:30 a.m. (Online)
- BSF—9 a.m. (All rooms)
- Life Group—2:30 p.m. (Choir Rm)
- Life Group—4 p.m. (Choir Rm)
- AA Meeting—8 p.m. (Rm 2)

WEDNESDAY

- Women's Life Group—10 a.m. (Fireside Rm)
- Youth Apple Picking & Pizza—4 p.m. (Off site)
- Worship Band Rehearsal—6 p.m. (Choir Rm)
- Life Group—7 p.m. (Choir Rm)
- Men's AA Meeting—7 p.m. (Rm 2)

THURSDAY

- Men's Life Group—7:30 a.m. (Fireside Rm)
- Staff Prayer—9 a.m. (Online)
- Life Group—9:30 a.m. (Fireside Rm)
- Life Group—10:30 a.m. (Grace Rm)
- Choir Rehearsal—7 p.m. (Choir Rm, Sanctuary)
- AA Meeting—8 p.m. (Rm 2)

FRIDAY

- No Scheduled Events

SATURDAY

- Tai Chi—8:30 a.m. (Courtyard)
- Faith Brass Ensemble Rehearsal—9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Calendar at a Glance, 2025-26

Upcoming dates of note in our life at Faith

October 24	Presby Pumpkin Patch
November 12	Operation Christmas Child
November 15	Rise Against Hunger
November 30	First Sunday of Advent
December 3	Advent Midweek Worship
December 10	Candlelight Service of Remembrance
December 12	Family Ministry "Christmas Time" Gathering
December 17	Service of Lessons & Carols
December 24	Christmas Eve Worship at 7:00 & 11:00 p.m.
January 11	"Evening of Reflection" Mini-Retreat
January 25	Annual Meeting of the Congregation
February 18	Ash Wednesday
February 25	Lenten Midweek Worship (Also 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25)
April 2	Maundy Thursday Worship
April 3	Good Friday Worship
April 5	Easter
April 10-12	Women's Retreat
April 26	Walk4Water
May 1-3	Men & Boys' Retreat
May 24	Pentecost
June 15-19	Vacation Bible School
July 27-30	Academy of Arts, Week 1
August 3-6	Academy of Arts, Week 2
August 9	AOA Performance
September 11-13	All-Church Fall Retreat

The Faith Church office is open Monday to Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Friday by appointment.

Faith Presbyterian Church of Sacramento
“The Next Step”

A Resource for Life Groups and/or Personal Application

October 12, 2025

Matthew 9:35-38 (NRSV)

³⁵Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. ³⁶When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; ³⁸therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”



Message Notes

Go!

Part 1—Before We Go

Questions to Consider...

The following questions and scriptures are provided for Life Groups and individuals who want to reflect further on today's message.

1. Read Matthew 9:35-38 again. What do you notice here? What stands out to you? What questions are raised?
2. Matthew tells us that Jesus proclaimed the “good news of the kingdom” to the crowds. What is that good news? How do you define the gospel?
3. When you think about sharing the gospel out in the world, do you think about speaking words or doing deeds? What's your tendency/preference? And do you agree that it must be both?
4. Do you have compassion on lost crowds in our day? Why or why not?
5. Jesus declared in his day that the fields were ripe. What do you think he meant by this? Do you think the fields in our day are just as ripe? Why or why not?
6. Do you see yourself as a laborer sent out by the Lord of the Harvest to reach those who are lost in this world? Why or why not?
7. If Faith Presbyterian Church were to go out into the harvest, what do you imagine that would look like? Where would we go? How would we go? Use your imagination.
8. Are you willing to pray as Jesus commands us to pray here, for laborers to be sent? Are you willing to pray for forgiveness, for compassion, and for people? As you pray, are you ready to become the answer to your prayers?



Table to Table: Something for kids and adults to consider together

Talk as a family about committing to pray as Jesus teaches us here to pray. What would that look like? Could you pray for forgiveness, for compassion, for people?

Meeting With God This Week

To help you LISTEN to God...

For your continued times of meeting with God daily, we offer the following passages from God's Word for your reflection. If you need a Bible, let us know and we'll give you one. We encourage you to keep a journal at hand to write down what you hear as you listen to God's Word. If you are new to all this, these steps may help you get started:

Invite - Find a time and space where you can have at least fifteen minutes of privacy and silence. Begin by taking a moment to simply ask God to meet you. Expect God to answer your prayer and show up.

Scripture - Read slowly through the passage for the day (we offer suggestions below). Read it again, if you like. Pay attention to phrases or ideas that particularly strike you.

Listen and Reflect - Use a journal to write down what you hear God saying in these verses. What is God telling you about himself? What is God telling you about your life? What is God telling you he wants you to do or to do differently? What questions are raised? What promises are revealed? Write what you hear.

Respond - Use the 3 R's. **#1 - Rejoice!** What have I heard from God which causes me to praise God and give thanks? Pray accordingly. **#2—Repent.** What have I heard from God that brings to light sin in my life or change that needs to take place? **#3—Request.** What have I heard from God that informs the way I pray for myself and others? (The guide in the column to the right, "To Help You Speak with God," may be useful as you pray for others this week.)

Suggested Scriptures for the Week, as we offer God a portion of each day in His Word.

Monday:	Genesis 35 / Psalm 67
Tuesday:	Genesis 36 / Psalm 68
Wednesday:	Genesis 37 / Psalm 69
Thursday:	Genesis 38 / Psalm 70
Friday:	Genesis 39 / Psalm 71
Saturday:	Genesis 40 / Psalm 72
Sunday:	I Thess. 1-5 / Psalm 73

To help you SPEAK with God...

♦Pray for Our Faith Family, Especially...

Marc & Lisa Holland; Mabel, Oscar ~ Geoff Hom ~ Rick & Nancy Hom ~ John & Stephanie Homen ~ Dean & Bernice Hopkins

♦Prayers for Healing & Comfort:

For Healing & Strength: Carol Keller, Demetrius Moore, Bob Johnson, Barbara LaPlaca, Clara Murrels, Kathy Keller, Kristen Bye, Barbara Tracy, Cheryl Chan, Bob DeYoung, Georgina Borton, Joe de Illy, Beverly Sommerdorf, John Ellis, Sandy Smoley, Lyndon Thomson, Jackie Casteig, Nick LaPlaca, Barbara Hull, Skip Watt.

♦Church Leadership:

Mark Tootle	Director of Music Ministry
Stan Keasling	Elder, Personnel
Betty McClure	Deacon, Parish 7

♦Other Opportunities for Prayer

Prayer Chain: Contact Alice Parente at vsas77@earthlink.net to share a prayer concern or to become part of the prayer chain.

Pre-Service Prayer: We meet in the Fireside Room every Sunday morning at 8:30 for prayer before worship. All are welcome.

Prayer After Worship: If you would like someone to pray with you, our prayer team will be available at the front of the church immediately following worship this morning.

Tuesday Morning Zoom Prayer Gathering:

All are welcome to join us for prayer on Zoom Tuesday mornings from 7:30 to 8:00 a.m. Using a psalm or other scripture as our

guide, we pray together—some silently, some aloud. Most of us keep our cameras off. It's wonderful to start our day in this way together. The Zoom ID is **871 3470 6671**.



Faith Presbyterian Church

**Recommendations for Nomination of
Church Officers—Class of 2029**

Your Nominating Committee is interested in receiving recommendations for nominees to the offices of elder and deacon. Please make your suggestion below. You may recommend more than one person. ***Please use a separate sheet for each recommendation.*** (Additional forms are available in the Welcome Center.) You may also submit your own name. ***All nominees must be active members of Faith Presbyterian Church for at least one year.***

“All ministry in the Church is a gift from Jesus Christ. Members and officers alike serve mutually under the mandate of Christ who is the chief minister of all. His ministry is the basis of all ministries; the standard for all offices is the pattern of the one who came ‘not to be served but to serve’ (Matt. 20:28).

“Both men and women shall be eligible to hold church offices. When women and men, by God’s providence and gracious gifts, are called by the church to undertake particular forms of ministry, the church shall help them to interpret their call and to be sensitive to the judgments and needs of others. As persons discover the forms of ministry to which they are called, and as they are called to new forms, they and the church shall pray for the presence and guidance of the Holy Spirit upon them and upon the mission of the Church.”

The Book of Order (Our Presbyterian Constitution)

Please use one form for each recommended nominee.

The name of _____ is recommended for nomination to the office of (check one):

_____ **Elder**

_____ **Deacon**

(See reverse side for descriptions of the deacon and elder positions.)

To the best of your ability, please comment in the space below on why you think this candidate would make a good elder or deacon. Consider prior church involvement, personal characteristics, particular qualifications, Christian witness in daily life, etc.

Your Name (optional): _____

Elder

Elders are chosen by the people. Together with Ministers of the Word and Sacrament, they exercise leadership, government and discipline, guiding the church and supporting its mission through their governing body, the session. Elders should be persons of faith, dedication and good judgment. Their manner of life should be a demonstration of the Christian gospel, both within the church and in the world.

As members of the session, elders are elected for a three-year term (with the exception of the Youth Elder, who is elected for a one-year term). They meet the second Monday of each month. In addition to session meetings, elders are assigned to various teams which generally meet monthly to support specific ministries of the church. Elders also help serve Communion and participate in two annual weekend retreats, one in the spring and a second in the fall. This coming year we need to fill the following elder positions:

Family Ministry, Finance, Lay Ministry, Outreach

Deacon

Deacons are chosen by the people. The office of deacon is one of sympathy, witness, and service after the example of Jesus Christ. Persons of spiritual character, honest repute, exemplary lives, brotherly and sisterly love, warm sympathies, and sound judgment should be chosen for this office.

It is the duty of deacons to minister to those who are in need, to the sick, to the friendless, and to any who may be in distress, both within and beyond the community of faith. Deacons assist with memorial services, arrange for meals for those in need, visit those who are no longer able to attend regular worship services, pray for those in need of prayer, assist in serving Communion, and participate in annual training. Deacons are elected for a three-year term and meet the second Sunday of each month.

**Please tear off completed form and turn it in to the church office or to a member of the Nominating Committee, or place it in the designated box in the Welcome Center
no later than Sunday, November 2.**

Thank you – Your 2025-2026 Nominating Committee:

Lucy DaCastello (chair)
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Betty McClure
Linda Olsen
Lorraine Otani
Dave Reynen
Rick Stern
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