# **Welcome to Faith Presbyterian Church!**

Sunday, April 21, 2024



# **Worship Schedule**

Sunday:

10:00 am: Worship-Sanctuary

Wednesday:

7:00 pm: Worship on Wednesday (held virtually via Zoom)

#### Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Friday: 8:00 am - Noon

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# · Today's Scripture ·

Today's Scripture is John 10:1-19 with the sermon titled "Leadership and the Wet Shoes of Disappointment."

# Worship is...

Joyful. Spirit-filled. Thoughtful. Welcoming.

**Parking:** Additional street parking is available, plus you can also park in the Dental Center parking lot to the south.

**Restrooms:** Located next to the church office as you come in from the parking lot on the west end of the building.

Large print hymnals (words only): Available on the back table.

Hearing assistance devices are available: Ask an usher.

Questions? Please feel free to ask an usher for assistance!

# Connection Card -----

In your bulletin is a green connection card. We ask that you complete the card and drop it in the offering plate. If you have a specific person, group, or event for which you'd like us to join with you in prayer, place this prayer request on the back of the connection card. This can be for a concern in your life or your health, or for a concern you have for someone else, or for a joyous event.

Welcome to Faith Presbyterian!	
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Best Contact Phone:_	
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# Order of Worship – April 21, 2024

# Gather to Worship God ------

Prelude "Spirit of God"

(Worship is our response to the goodness of God. We are blessed to be called together, by God, to offer our praise and bring our joys and concerns, leaving renewed in spirit and eager to go and live our faith.)

#### The Welcome & Announcements

(\*We invite you to please stand if you are able.)

\*The Call to Worship

Psalm 23 (Page 501 – Pew Bible)

\*The Hymn of Praise #475

"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

#### \*The Unison Prayer of Confession

All: Holy god, we often come to you with a list of complaints about how our lives aren't what we had hoped them to be. We are reluctant to claim the poor decisions we have made and the consequences they bring. Give us clear thinking so we may see the activity of your Holy Spirit and follow as you lead. We have tried to satisfy ourselves and we are always empty. We seek your forgiveness and ask that your Holy Spirit lead us in our choices and draw us closer to you. We offer our prayer in the name of Jesus. Amen.

#### \*Words of Assurance (I John 3:1-3)

Leader: See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. Amen.

#### \*Response #581

"Glory Be to the Father"

All: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

<sup>\*</sup>Passing the Peace

# Listening to God's Word ------

The Prayer for Illumination

#### The Congregational Response

All: Open our eyes, Lord. We want to see Jesus, to reach out and touch him, and say that we love him. Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen. Open our eyes, Lord. We want to see Jesus.

The Scripture

John 10:1-19 (*Page 103 – Pew Bible*)

The Message

"Leadership and the Wet Shoes of Disappointment" – Rev. Dr. Dennis Morey

# Responding to God's Word ------

"I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go" (please see insert)

**Hymn of Response** 

## **Sharing Joys & Concerns in Prayer**

If you have a special request you'd like to share with the prayer chain, please use the green connection card and place it in the offering plate.

#### **Lord's Prayer**

All: 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.

#### The Call to Dedication (Matthew 6:1 & 4)

Leader: Jesus said, "Be especially careful when you are trying to be good so that you don't make a performance out of it. It might be good theater, but the God who made you won't be applauding. When you help someone out, don't think about how it looks. Just do it – quietly and obtrusively. That is the way your God, who conceived you in love, working behind the scenes, helps you out."

The Offertory "Amazing Grace"

\*Congregational Response #606

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

All: 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

All: You are constantly seeking your children, O God. We give thanks that you have called us to be your own and ask that the offerings we bring help spread the Good News as you call others to become parts of your family as well. As we worship you today, we give in the name of Jesus. Amen.

# Going Out to Serve ------

\*The Closing Hymn #291

"Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"

\*The Closing Prayer & Benediction

\*The Congregational Response #700

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

**Postlude** 

"Praise His Greatness"

# Announcements for the Week of April 21

**Lead Usher:** Judy Worley **Lay Leader:** Judy Gnade

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**Thanks to Margaret Morey and Jessica Marcus** for providing fellowship this morning. Dan & Judy Gnade and Don & Darlene Worden will provide fellowship next Sunday, April 28.

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Be like Jesus. Help serve a meal to those who are hungry. You are invited on April 28, 4:00 pm, to serve SEMP (Sunday Evening Meal Program) at First Presbyterian Church at 310 Fifth Street SE. Sign up on the sheet at the welcome table. After serving, we will continue our fellowship at Irish Democrat.

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**Michael Becker will be on vacation** April 24 through May 3. Thanks to Sandy Minger for filling in at the church office!

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**Happy birthday** to the following people celebrating their special day this week!

Steve Nelson Apr 23 Don Worden Apr 24 Jessica Marcus Apr 26

#### **Weekly Calendar**

Sunday:

9:00 AM: Sailboat Church Study Group

10:00 AM: Worship-Sanctuary

Monday: Office Hours: 8:30 am-4:30 pm 9:00 AM: Sewing Group-Fellowship Hall 5:30 PM: Session Meeting-Room #1

<u>Tuesday:</u> Office Hours: 8:30 am-4:30 pm **9:30 AM:** Coffee & Conversation-Fellowship Hall

Wednesday: Office Hours: 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Michael Becker on Vacation

**7:00 PM:** Worship on Wednesday (Via Zoom)

Thursday: Office Hours: 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Michael Becker on Vacation 6:00 PM: Worker Bees

Friday: Office Hours: 8:00 am-12:00 pm

Michael Becker on Vacation

Saturday: No Events Scheduled

### You are Making a Difference

God has certainly blessed you and we thank you for sharing your blessings back. Did you know...

\$590 was received for the One Great Hour of Sharing offering

75 clients were served at the April 7 SEMP meal

\$492.63 was collected during the Noisy Sunday offering for the Ecumenical Center/Helping Hands

\$290 was collected at the Maundy Thursday service for the Ecumenical Center/Helping Hands

\$334 was donated to His Hands Free Medical Clinic (from our Mission budget)

- The Missions Ministry Team

# Will You Buy a Pair of Shoes?

Forty pairs of shoes? At \$35 a pair? That's a lot to ask... or is it?

Try 18,000 pairs of shoes. That's what Sole Hope distributed in 2023. They also provided intensive medical help for more than 7,000 foot-infected patients. And that's just part of the help they give to families.

Forty pairs? We can do that. You can watch our progress on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. We've already received donations that cover the cost of five pairs of shoes.

Forty pairs of shoes? We can do this. We will do this!

To donate \$17.50 for a single shoe, or \$35 for a pair of shoes, write "Sole Hope" on the memo line on your check. Look for details of the shoe cutting party on May 11 later on. – *The Missions Ministry Team* 

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