Welcome to Faith Presbyterian Church!

Sunday, August 16, 2026

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

Can't make it to today's worship? Visit the church website to watch today's service: www.crfaith.org

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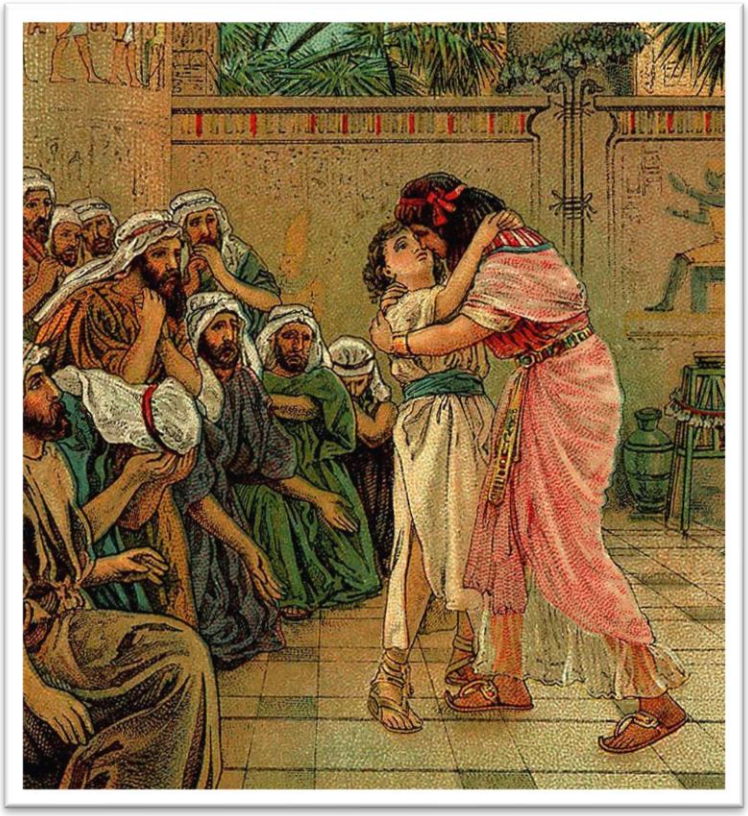

· Today's Scripture ·

Thanks to Greg Ennis for leading worship this morning!
Today's Scripture is Genesis 45:1-15 & Psalm 133
with the sermon titled "Subtle, Barely Visible."

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!
Connection Card
Name:
Address:
City: State: Zip Code:
Best Contact Phone:
Email:
☐ Check if changes in contact information
If 1st- or 2nd-time guest, how did you hear about the church?
○ Church website ○ Church member ○ Event ○ Facebook
○ Other:
Are you a: ○ 1st-time guest ○ 2nd-time guest ○ Member/regular attender
(Over)

Order of Worship – August 16, 2026

Gather to Worship God ----------

The Church in its worship and service is a living sign of the reign of God, which is both a present reality and a future promise. The Church's activities do not bring about God's realm; they are our grateful response to the grace of God at work in the world. We seek to worship and serve God faithfully, with the confidence that God's reign has already been established and the hope that it will soon be revealed in fullness and glory. We do all of this in the name of Jesus, looking for the day when "every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." *(Phil. 2:10-11)*

Prelude

The Welcome & Announcements

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

***The Call to Worship**

Leader: Family of God, we gather today to unite our voices and our lives in praise to God!

All: How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity!

Leader: We gather to celebrate how God binds us together to live, work, play, and rest as the Body of Christ!

All: How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity!

Leader: We gather to remember how God has worked through us to share Christ's love with one another and our neighbors through our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness.

All: How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity!

Leader: Family of God, today we come as diverse and unique members of the Body of Christ to learn and grow not in uniformity, but in unity to love God, self, neighbor, and all creation.

All: How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity! Thanks be to God! Amen.

***The Hymn of Praise #353** "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

***The Call to Confession** *(from Psalm 103:8)*

Leader: The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love. Confident of God's character, let us confess our sins together so that we might receive healing and peace.

***The Unison Prayer of Confession**

All: O God, we year to be a community of believers, united in your Spirit. And yet we are fraught with divisions: denominational, political, theological. We are weighed down by tensions and the things that break us apart. Forgive us, great God, for this great sin. Help us to learn to live in community together, loving one another, in spite of our differences, and respecting one another in everything that we do and say. Help us to be as you call us, one in heart and mind. Only through the grace of your son, Jesus Christ, can we achieve this. Hear also those things that sit upon our individual hearts as we continue to pray in silence…

***The Words of Assurance**

Leader: Hear the good news: By grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God – not by works, so that no one can boast. We are what God has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

***The Prayer Response #519** "You Are My Strength When I Am Weak"

All: You are my strength when I am weak; you are the treasure that I seek; you are my all in all. When I fall down, you pick me up; when I am dry, you fill my cup; you are my all in all. Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name! Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name!

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

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 Genesis 45:1-15 & Psalm 133

The Message "Subtle, Barely Visible"– Greg Ennis

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

The Hymn of Response #39 "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

The Minute for Mission *Eric Parker – Freedom Foundation*

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 Prayer Response #469

All: Lord, listen to your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit in this place. Lord, listen to your children praying. Send us love; send us power; send us grace.

The Call to Dedication

Leader: The Christian life is marked by the offering of one's self to God to be shaped, empowered, directed, and changed by God. In worship, God presents us with the costly self-offering of Jesus Christ. We are claimed by Christ and set free. In response to God's love in Jesus Christ, we offer God our lives, our gifts, our abilities, and our material goods, for God's service.

The Offertory

***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.

***The Unison Prayer of Dedication**

All: Eternal God, we give you thanks for drawing us into the communion of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. We recognize that all we have and all we are belongs to you. We dedicate our lives, our time, and our resources to your service, desiring to live to the praise of your glory. Grant us the grace to follow your Word, to walk in your ways, and to be your hands and feet in this world, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Going Out to Serve ----------

***The Closing Hymn #307** "God of Grace and God of Glory"

***The Closing Prayer and Benediction**

***Postlude**

Announcements for the Week of August 16th

Lead Usher: Judy Gnade
Lay Leader: Erin Ennis

Thanks to Bev Slager for providing fellowship this morning! See the sign-up sheet if you'd like to volunteer for a future Sunday.

Michael Becker is on vacation Aug. 17-21. Thanks to Sandy Minger for filling in at the church office! Office hours this week will be Monday-Thursday 8:30-1:30 and Friday 8:00-12:00.

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

Michael Becker	Aug 18
Ann Dalziel	Aug 19
Wayne Rasmussen	Aug 20
Deb Foege	Aug 21
Joyce Boesenberg	Aug 22

Weekly Calendar

Sunday:
9:00 AM: Bible Study
10:00 AM: Worship-Sanctuary
4:00 PM: Sunday Evening Meals at First Pres.

Monday: *Office Hours: 8:30 am-1:30 pm*
9:00 AM: Sewing Group-Fellowship Hall

Tuesday: *Office Hours: 8:30 am-1:30 pm*
9:30 AM: Coffee & Conversation-Fellowship Hall

Wednesday: *Office Hours: 8:30 am-1:30 pm*
7:00 PM: Worship on Wednesday (Via Zoom)

Thursday: *Office Hours: 8:30 am-1:30 pm*
No Events Scheduled

Friday: *Office Hours: 8:00 am-12:00 pm*
11:00 AM: Erskine Staff Lunch-Fellowship Hall

Saturday:
No Events Scheduled

Erskine Staff Luncheon – August 21st

We need your help. Can you provide a homemade pie or help prepare a walking taco lunch? This Friday, August 21, we will be preparing a celebratory luncheon for our neighbors, the Erskine teachers and staff. This will be our fifth year. See the sign-up sheet on the welcome table. – The Mission Ministries Team

August Minute for Mission

Freedom Foundation provides services for veterans, active duty and National Guard members, and widows of the military. They provide a food pantry, toiletry items, a free weekly luncheon, and an emergency assistance fund. Let's welcome Eric Parker this morning to share their story. Through August 30, Faith will be collecting food items to restock their pantry. Items needed are non-perishable items such as cereal, canned meats, vegetables, chili, soups, beans, pasta, pancake mix or syrup. Visit usfreedomfoundation.org for a complete list of needed items. The August 30 Noisy Sunday offering will be directed to the Freedom Foundation. – *Mission Ministry Team*