

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Welcome to Sunday worship at Faith Presbyterian Church. If you are new to Faith, thank you for joining us. Would you please consider signing our guest book in the foyer?

Each Sunday we gather in Christian fellowship to glorify and enjoy God. We know that we are gathered here by grace alone. Motivated by His mercy, God sent His Son to die on the cross and rise again from the dead so that all those who trust in Him may be freed from the condemnation of sin and clothed with the righteousness of Jesus. Welcome to Faith Presbyterian Church.

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**If you know of a need in one of these areas, or are interested in serving, please contact a deacon, or speak with the ministry area chair.

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Prayer for those not prepared to believe:

*God, no human mind could conceive or invent the gospel. Acting in eternal grace, you are both its messenger and its message, lived out on earth through infinite compassion, applying your life to insult, injury, death, that I might be redeemed, ransomed, freed. Glorious Trinity, impress the gospel on my soul, until its virtue diffuses every faculty. Teach me to secure this mighty blessing. Help me to give up every darling lust, to submit heart and life to its command, to have it in my will, controlling my affections, molding my understanding. Take me to the cross to seek glory from its infamy. Strip me of every pleasing pretense of righteousness by my own doings. O gracious Redeemer, I have neglected you too long, often crucified you, crucified you afresh in my impenitence, put you to open shame. I thank you for the patience that has borne with me so long, and for the grace that now makes me willing to be yours. O unite me to yourself with inseparable bonds, that nothing may ever draw me back from you, my Lord, my Savior.
Amen.*

Prayers for the Lord's table

Jesus Christ instituted the Lord's Supper as a meal to be shared by his disciples. At Faith, we welcome to the Lord's Table all who are baptized believers in the Lord Jesus Christ, and are members in good standing of a Christian church. If you are not a professing Christian, or not a member of a church, we respectfully ask that you refrain from taking the bread and the wine. If you have any questions, you should ask Pastor John or one of our elders. You may also email the elders (elder@faithanchorage.org) or visit our website for more information.

Prayer for those not prepared for the Lord's table:

*My Father, I know that with body and soul, in life and death, I am not my own, but belong to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. With his precious blood, He has fully satisfied for all my sins, and delivered me from all the power of the devil and so preserves me. Without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head and all things must be subservient to my salvation. Therefore, by your Holy Spirit, assure me of eternal life and make me sincerely willing and ready, henceforth, to live unto you.
Amen.*

Prayer for baptized children not yet admitted to the Lord's table:

My Father, I could never look for happiness in your love, unless you first loved me. Your Spirit has encouraged me, by grace, to seek you. Your Spirit has made known to me your reconciliation in Jesus, has taught me to believe it, has helped me to take you for my God and portion. May your Spirit live in me that I may know my union with Jesus, and enter into constant fellowship with Him. I know but little. Increase my knowledge of your love in Jesus, keep me pressing forward for clearer discoveries of it so that I may find its eternal fullness. Amen.

Prayer Requests

- ◆ We pray for those struggling with very serious physical illness: Rosemary (friend of Faith member), Roger (father of Michael Schild, brain tumor), and Debbie (enduring chemotherapy treatment); for those currently recovering, including Tanya (friend of Faith member, improving steadily) and James (recovering from heart surgery); for those anticipating upcoming surgery, including two friends of faith; and for those in the Faith body presently ill.
- ◆ We pray for those with unmet earthly needs (financial provision, employment security, difficult decisions, physical health, etc.) and the depression, anxiety, and doubt that can flow from these needs; Hillcrest Presbyterian Church in West Seattle is struggling financially.
- ◆ We pray for the safety, health, and spiritual nurture of the children, youth, and high school students of our congregation and holiness for those called to instruct them Sunday mornings; we also pray for the growth in grace of our college students locally (Tom, Christine, Ivy, and others) and abroad, including Jacob Sprano (The College of Wooster), Zeb Rademaker (Rose-Hulman), Alexandra Sprano (NYU), and Shane Carver (UAF).
- ◆ We pray for expectant moms, Christine Yeager, Guang Ming Whitley, Greta Palmer, Victoria Sprau; thanks for the gracious provision of Joshua Patrick Wood, James Gilbert Strong, and Samuel Bendigo Harris, and their moms.
- ◆ We pray for the advancement of the gospel in our neighborhoods, places of work, city, and state, and for Abraham and Esther and children (Bertie and Isaac) ministering in North India; we also pray for social and political rest in countries hostile to free assembly and gospel-proclamation.
- ◆ We pray for the advancement of the gospel in and through our own relationships with friends and family members who do not rest in Christ for salvation, and for the necessary courage, opportunity, and trust in our gospel proclamation.
- ◆ We pray for those in positions of political and civil authority (local, city, state, and federal), civil servants, and military personnel; those deployed or who may be anticipating deployment.
- ◆ We pray for those currently traveling or away for a season, including the Anderson family, Carly Sprano, Lyle Becker, Roger Clifford, Dan Alpert, Weiss family, and others.
- ◆ We pray for gospel-proclaiming churches in our area; Jack Phelps of Covenant Bible (Chugiak) and Scott Johnson of Grace Orthodox Presbyterian (Wasilla), and others.
- ◆ We pray for the love and unity and peace of our congregation; for zeal and Christ-like example in our elders and deacons; for wisdom for the committees and leadership at Faith; for His guidance to a larger worship facility; we praise God for the good financial care at Hope Portland, for the training of their first elders, and for particularization plans in June 2012.

FAITH SUPPORTED MISSIONS

- ◆ Abraham and Esther, New Light and Life Mission in North India. Learn more at faithanchorage.org/mission/india.

*The Lord's Day, November 6, 2011
Morning Worship Service*

Prelude

Announcements

*Silent Prayer
and
Preparation*

Call to Worship

Isaiah 60.1-3

*Arise, shine, for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.*

*For behold, darkness shall cover the earth,
and thick darkness the peoples;*

*But the Lord will arise upon you,
and his glory will be seen upon you.*

*And nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your rising.*

*I Will Sing
the
Wondrous
Story*

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1. I will sing the won - drous sto - ry of the
 2. I was lost: but Je - sus found me, found the
 3. Faint was I, and fears pos - sessed me, bruised was
 4. Days of dark - ness still may meet me, sor - row's
 5. He will keep me till the riv - er rolls its

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Christ who died for me, how he left the realms of
 sheep that went a - stray, raised me up and gent - ly
 • I from man - y a fall; hope was gone, and shame dis -
 paths I oft may tread; but his pres - ence still is
 wa - ters at my feet: then he'll bear me safe - ly

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glo - ry for the cross on Cal - va - ry.
 led me back in - to the nar - row way.
 • tressed me: but his love has par - doned all.
 with me, by his guid - ing hand I'm led.
 o - ver, made by grace for glo - ry meet.

Sermon Notes

*His work matters
(Jeremiah 30.4-11)*

Notes for Little Theologians

When your Little Theologians listen to this morning's sermon, help them be thinking about the **Big Idea!** of the Scripture text. Little ones may want to spend time drawing the **Big Idea!** during the sermon.

The **Big Idea!** is often so big that it encompasses several Scripture passages. Therefore, each sermon has main points that always lead the listener from the **Big Idea!** to two important components of the sermon: our **Fallenness**  and our **Treasure** .

Every passage in the Bible tells us something about our need as weak sinners (2 Timothy 3.16) and our one Treasure, Jesus the Redeemer (Luke 24.27). Little Theologians should listen for these! At the conclusion of each sermon your Little Theologian should listen for the Holy Response in which the Scripture tells us how to walk.

Jeremiah 30.4-11

The Big Idea!

We sometimes catch ourselves assuming that God is not working within the ordinary events of my life. But we sometimes catch ourselves assuming that God is not working within the big events of life. And sometimes, we catch ourselves assuming that God is not working in the global events of world history.

This passage is about a God who works in the background (where you can't see Him) as well as the foreground (where one day you will see Him!). This passage reminds us never to forget that the work of God is the only basis for real peace and safety and deliverance in this life . . . and the life to come.

We'll never be free from fear until we believe that deliverance comes only by the work of God.

A. There is a day like no other (4-7).



B. I will keep you safe in that day (8-9).



C. Therefore, I will keep you safe today (10-11).



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Yes, I'll sing the won - drous sto - ry
Yes, I'll sing the won-drous sto - ry

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of the Christ who died for me,
of the Christ who died for me,

G C G C

sing it with the saints in glo - ry,
sing it with the saints in glo - ry,

G G7 C F C

gath - ered by gath - ered by the crys - tal sea.
gath - ered by the crys - tal sea.

Francis H. Rowley, 1886

WONDRIOUS STORY 8.7.8.7.ref.
Peter P. Bilhorn, 1886

*Prayer of
Confession*

Isaiah 55.6-7

*Seek the LORD while he may be found;
call upon him while he is near;
let the wicked forsake his way,
and the unrighteous man his thoughts;
let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him,
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.*

*Word of
Assurance*

Hebrews 12.1-2

*Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us
also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run
with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder
and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured
the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne
of God.*

DIRECTORY UPDATES: If you have received a recent email about directory updates, could you please take one minute to update it and return it. We are trying to update this year’s directory and we need your help to expedite it. If you have not received an email, please just sent your updated information to directory@faithanchorage.org. If you are new and need information on how to get into next year’s directory you can email me or call at 345-1977.
Thanks for your help, Susan Weiss

DO YOU HAVE AN ANNOUNCEMENT YOU WOULD LIKE TO INCLUDE IN THE BULLETIN? Send it to bstrong@faithanchorage.org by 5:00 pm, Wednesday evening.

HOUSE TO HOUSE MINISTRY SCHEDULE

House to House is a ministry of Faith Presbyterian Church elders. In the history of the church, it has been the habit of elders to minister from “house to house (Acts 20.20-21 and James 5.14).” The Bible teaches that elders are a gift to the church (Ephesians 4.11-12) who are called to “pay careful attention to the flock,” (Acts 20.28) . . . not just on Sunday and not just in the sanctuary.

Each visit lasts one hour and is intended for the entire family. There is no need to prepare. After opening with a short rationale for the ministry, followed by a devotion, we encourage one another’s growth in grace and pray together.

As is within your power to do so, could you please schedule this time? If you must reschedule, you may swap with another family, or contact the church office as soon as possible.

Tuesday, November 8	Edmiston (6:30 pm)	Jaasma (7:45 pm)
Tuesday, November 15	Gardner (6:30 pm)	Shiloh Vreeman (7:45 pm)
Tuesday, November 29	Harris (6:30 pm)	Palmer (7:45 pm)
Tuesday, December 13	Fox (6:30 pm)	Weatherly (7:45 pm)
Tuesday, January 10	Hilde (6:30 pm)	Goertzen (7:45 pm)
Tuesday, January 17	Larson (6:30 pm)	Lieno (7:45 pm)
Tuesday, January 24	Stephens (6:30 pm)	R. Rademaker (7:45 pm)
Tuesday, January 31	Whitley (6:30 pm)	Potter (7:45 pm)
Tuesday, February 21	Sprau (6:30 pm)	Reed (7:45 pm)
Tuesday, February 28	Yeager (6:30 pm)	H. March (7:45 pm)
Tuesday, March 20	Banker (6:30 pm)	Peters (7:45 pm)
Tuesday, March 27	Schild (6:30 pm)	Weiss (7:45 pm)
Tuesday, April 17	I. Vreeman (6:30 pm)	C. Cox (7:45 pm)
Tuesday, April 24	Behnen (6:30 pm)	Burkel (7:45 pm)
Tuesday, May 1	J. Johnson (6:30 pm)	Becker (7:45 pm)
Tuesday, May 15	W. Rademaker (6:30 pm)	E. Cox (7:45 pm)
Tuesday, May 22	Cryder (6:30 pm)	Dickerson (7:45 pm)

Faith Volunteer Schedule – Winter 2011

If possible, please arrange ahead if you are unable to serve during your scheduled time. If you are interested in serving the church by volunteering, please speak with Cindy Strong.

Nursery Volunteers

November 6 - Bernadette March & Hannah Vreeman
 November 13 - Mary, Nariz & Jerissa Johnson
 November 20 - Beth & Tommy Rademaker
 November 27 - Cindy Strong & Rachel Rademaker
 December 4 - Ellen Banker & Colleen Cox
 December 11 - Beth & Johanna Sprano
 December 18 - The Fox Family
 December 25 - Karen & Linnea Jones
 January 1 - Barbara Strong & Ivy Bowler
 January 8 - Alicia Beattie & Andrea Pelenato

Set-Up Volunteers

November - Burkel
 December - Beattie & Becker
 January - Schneider & Reed

Clean-Up Volunteers

November - Vreeman & Pelenato
 December - Gardner
 January - Strong

Greeters

November - Weiss
 December - B. Strong
 January - Burkel

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE HARRIS FAMILY on the birth of Samuel Bendigo on Wednesday, November 2 at 9:21 am! Samuel was 8 pounds, 7 ounces and 21 inches long.

CONGRATULATIONS TO JAMES AND MIRANDA STRONG on the birth of James Gilbert on Tuesday, November 1 at 11:17 am! James was 8 pounds, 8 ounces and 21 inches long.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A CAKE RECEPTION TO CELEBRATE the recent marriage of Olivia Munn to Ryan Jones and to welcome Ryan to our congregation. Everyone is welcome at the Sprano's home this afternoon at 4pm.

INTRODUCTION TO FAITH SEMINAR: Part Two (of three) will take place this Thursday evening, November 10, from 7-9pm. We plan to meet in the reserved conference room at Starbucks (Old Seward and Dimond).

MEN'S BOOK DISCUSSION: Saturday, November 19th, from 8am to 10am, at the home of Greg and Barbara Burkel. We will look at two articles from the collection of essays, John Calvin: A Heart for Devotion, Doctrine, and Doxology. Plan on reading the articles by Sinclair Ferguson ("Calvin's Heart for God," ch. 3) and Eric Alexander ("The Supremacy of Jesus Christ," ch. 9). Breakfast is provided.

REFORMATION CONFERENCE: On Saturday, November 12, Covenant Bible Church (Chugiak) will be hosting a mini-conference beginning at 9:30 am. The speaker this year is Christopher Schlect and he will be speaking on J. Gresham Machen. Machen was a resounding defender of Evangelical Christianity in the height of the Modernist movement in early 20th century America. He was a professor at Princeton before founding Westminster Theological Seminary. You can get details from our "latest news" page on the website.

1. O sa - cred Head, now wound - ed, with grief and shame weighed down;
 2. What thou, my Lord, hast suf - fered was all for sin - ners' gain:
 3. What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est Friend,

O Sacred
 Head Now
 Wounded

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now scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed with thorns, thine on - ly crown;
 mine, mine was the trans - gres - sion, but thine the dead - ly pain.
 for this, thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pit - y with - out end?

O sa - cred Head, what glo - ry, what bliss till now was thine!
 Lo, here I fall, my Sav - ior! 'Tis I de - serve thy place;
 O make me thine for - ev - er; and should I faint - ing be,

Yet, though de - spised and gor - y, I joy to call thee mine.
 look on me with thy fa - vor, vouch - safe to me thy grace.
 Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er out - live my love to thee.

Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153
 Tr. by Paul Gerhardt, 1656
 Tr. by James W. Alexander, 1830

PASSION CHORALE 7.6.7.6.D.
 Hans Leo Hassler, 1601
 Arr. by Johann Sebastian Bach, 1729

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CALENDAR

For up to date calendar events, check out our online calendar at www.faithanchorage.org.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

*Our Father, who is 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.*

Lesson from the New Testament

Luke 1.69-79

This Week, November 7 – 13:

Tuesday

9:30 am – Ladies' Prayer Meeting at Tanglewood – Contact Bernadette March (345.2536)

Wednesday

7:00 pm – Choir Practice at the Whitley Home - Contact Joel or Guang Ming (830.0311)

Thursday

6:00-7:00 am – Men's Prayer Meeting at the Yeager Home – Contact Ron Yeager (223.2828)

7:00 pm – Introduction to Faith Seminar, Part Two at Starbucks on Dimond

Sunday

9:00 am – R.C. Sproul on the Radio – Radio Broadcast Supported by Faith PCA – Tune into to KATB-FM 89.3

9:30 am – Sunday School for all ages

11:00 am – Morning Worship Service

12:30 pm – Fellowship Meal following the Worship Service

Future Events:

1st Sunday of Each Month, 1:00 pm – Student Lunch - All high school students are invited join Pastor John Jones for lunch at his house and participate in a discussion of a general theological topic – Contact Pastor John Jones

2nd Sunday of Each Month – Celebration of the Lord's Supper

2nd Sunday of Each Month – Fellowship Meal – Please join us for fellowship meal immediately following the morning worship service

Thursday, November 17, 7:00 pm – Roman's Bible Study at the Jones Home

Saturday, November 19, 8-10 am – Men's Book Discussion at the Burkel home

Doxology

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Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures
 here be - low: al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise him a -
 bove, ye heav'n - ly host, praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost:
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Thomas Ken, 1709; alt.

LASST UNS ERFREUEN L.M.al.
Geistliche Kirchengesänge, Cologne, 1623

Postlude

1. The sands of time are sink - ing, the dawn of heav - en breaks,
 2. The King there in his beau - ty with - out a veil is seen;
 3. O Christ, he is the foun - tain, the deep sweet well of love!
 4. The bride eyes not her gar - ment, but her dear bride-groom's face;
 the sum - mer morn I've sighed for, the fair sweet morn a - wakes;
 it were a well - spent jour - ney though sev'n deaths lay be - tween:
 The streams on earth I've tast - ed more deep I'll drink a - bove:
 I will not gaze at glo - ry, but on my King of grace;
 dark, dark hath been the mid - night, but day - spring is at hand,
 the Lamb with his fair ar - my doth on Mount Zi - on stand,
 there to an o - cean ful - ness his mer - cy doth ex - pand,
 not at the crown he gift - eth, but on his pier - ed hand:
 and glo - ry, glo - ry dwell - eth in Em - man - uel's land.
 and glo - ry, glo - ry dwell - eth in Em - man - uel's land.
 and glo - ry, glo - ry dwell - eth in Em - man - uel's land.
 the Lamb is all the glo - ry of Em - man - uel's land.

Anne R. Cousin, 1857
Based upon Samuel Rutherford, 1600-1661

RUTHERFORD 7.6.7.6.7.6.7.5
Chrétien Urhan, 1834
Arr. by Edward F. Rimbault, 1867

The Sands of Time Are Sinking

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Presentation
of God's
Tithe

Scripture

Jeremiah 30.4-11

Sermon

His work matters

Prayer of
Application

Confession of
Faith

Heidelberg Catechism, Q 1

Christian, what is your only comfort in life and death?

That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.

He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood, and has set me free from all the power of the devil.

He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, all things must work together for my salvation.

1. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, the day of march has come;
2. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
3. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears;

Lead On, O
King Eternal

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hence - forth in fields of con - quest thy tents shall be our home:
and ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace;
for glad - ness breaks like morn - ing where - e'er thy face ap - pears;

through days of prep - a - ra - tion thy grace has made us strong,
for not with swords loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir - ring drums,
thy cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light:

and now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.
but deeds of love and mer - cy, the heav'n - ly king - dom comes.
the crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might.

Benediction