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Welcome to Sunday morning worship at Faith Presbyterian Church. If you are new to Faith, thank you for joining us. If you would like to learn more, please see the inside back cover.

Children during worship. At Faith we love having our children alongside us and participating with us in worship. If your children are not yet able to sit through our hour and 15 minute worship service, downstairs we have a nursery with wonderful caregivers ready to care for your children during worship.

A Reformed Voice in Alaska

Worship Glorifying the Triune God with one voice, joyfully reverent and deeply rooted in biblically rich doxology.

Holiness Devoting our hearts to Christ and loving others in deed and truth, by His will, and for His glory.

Equipping Equipping God's people by growing in grace through personal application of the preaching and teaching of the authoritative, inerrant Word of God.

Service Developing Christ-centered relationships through fellowship, hospitality, and service to others.

Engagement Engaging our community and our world according to the Great Commission, and representing Christ in all aspects of life.

Worship Romans 15.5-6; Isaiah 61.11, 66.18; Psalm 22.27; 102.18-22; 1 Chronicles 16.29-31; Hebrews 10.19-25; Revelation 22.8-9 **Holiness** 1 John 3.18; 2 Peter 1.5-7; 1 Thessalonians 4.4-7; Numbers 15.40; Leviticus 11.45; 1 John 1.8-9; Romans 5.3-5 **Equipping** 2 Peter 3.18; Ephesians 4.11-12, 15-16; Colossians 1.9-10; Hebrews 10.24-25; Proverbs 2.6; Jeremiah 3.15; Deuteronomy 6.6-7 **Service** Acts 2.42; Jeremiah 22.3; Micah 6.8 **Engagement** Matthew 5.13-16, 28.18-20; Mark 16.15-16; Romans 1.19-20; 10.14-15; Acts 1.8, 14.17; Ezekiel 36.33-36

Please visit our website at faithanchorage.org to learn about the ministry and doctrine of Faith Presbyterian Church, and also to view the latest events on the church calendar. You can reach an elder by email at elder@faithanchorage.org or Pastor John by email (jjones@faithanchorage.org) or phone (907.250.2087). If you prefer, you may complete the relevant information below and drop this into the offering or the box at the back of the sanctuary.

Date:

Name(s):

Address:

City/State/Zip:

Phone number:

Email Address:

- The information above is a change of address for the Pictorial Directory.
- Please do not place my contact information in the Pictorial Directory.
- I am a visitor and would like someone to contact me to learn more about Faith Presbyterian.
- I would like to schedule a membership interview.
- I would like to be contacted regarding a special need.

Please pray:

- This prayer request should only be shared with the elders of Faith.
- This prayer request may become part of corporate prayer during a Faith worship service (all surnames are withheld).

Prayer Requests

Physical body We pray for those undergoing serious physical illness: Ryan S. (lung cancer), Carol W. (hydration/appetite), Bonnie H. (friend of Faith member), Diane D. (sixth, perhaps last, chemo infusion), Isaiah V. (upcoming surgery in Aug); and for those recovering from surgery or illness: Barbara W. (recuperation), Kevin V., and John J.; we also pray for expectant moms, Melissa P., Hannah W., Alicia B., Alisha H., Shelby V., Christin M., Allison F., Christine Y., and Victoria S.; for wives who hope to be pregnant.

Various trials We pray for Greg and Karyn H.; those struggling with anxious hearts due to financial struggle, lack of employment, employment insecurity, weighty decisions, unreconciled relationships, doubt, and abiding sin; those grieving lost loved ones, like the Johnson, Nelson, and Wilson families grieving the death of Milton Johnson.

Growth in grace We pray for the safety, health, and spiritual nurture of the children, youth, and high school students of our congregation and our young adults, including college students at UAA and APU and students studying abroad in the fall and spring: Zeb R., Johanna S.; we also pray for the continued sanctification of every individual that is a part of worship at Faith.

Gospel advancement We pray for the advancement of the gospel in our neighborhoods, places of work, city, and state; for Abraham and Esther ministering in North India; Jamie and Jackie in South Marseille, France (summer evangelism; reconciliation within the church); Julian and ministers-in-training that he works with worldwide; Betsey B., Will and Diane (Budapest), Joel and Jessica (Verona and Vicenza, Italy), Bill and Alida (SEND International); we also pray for gospel proclamation and growth in places of social and political unrest.

Subjection to authorities We pray for wisdom, righteousness, mercy, and salvation for those in positions of political and civil authority over us.

Currently away from the congregation We pray for those currently traveling or away for a season, including the Anderson and Fox families.

The church We pray for cross-centered churches in our city and state, including Covenant Bible (Chugiak), Grace Orthodox Presbyterian (Wasilla), and the Soldotna Mission; for church plants in our presbytery including Andy Pelander at All Souls (West Seattle), Jason Davison at Jubilee Community (Central District, Seattle), Kyle Parker at Coram Deo Mission (Spokane), Greg Joines at Christ Central Mission (Corvallis), Brant Bosserman at Trinitas Mission (Bothell, WA), Bryan Buck (The Portland Project mission); for the pastoral searches of a number of churches in our presbytery.

Our church Growth in love, generosity, unity, and peace of our congregation; for zeal and a Christ-like example in our various leaders; for Pastor John's teaching and shepherding ministry; for our search for a larger facility.

FAITH SUPPORTED MISSIONS

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

Jamie and Jackie Gildard, Mission to the World, church planting in Marseille, France. Learn more at faithanchorage.org/mission/france

Julian Zugg, MINTS International, Reformed Seminary Planter focused on Africa, Europe and Central Asia. Learn more at faithanchorage.org/mission/global-theological-training

*The Lord's Day, August 24, 2014
Morning Worship Service
Pastor John Jones*

Prelude

Announcements

*Silent Prayer
and
Preparation*

Call to Worship

Revelation 7.9-12

... I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

*Prayer of
Invocation*

1. The church - 's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
2. E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
3. Though with a scorn - ful won - der men see her sore op - pressed,
4. The church shall nev - er per - ish! Her dear Lord to de - fend,

she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the Word:
her char - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth;
by schis - ms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,
to guide, sus - tain, and cher - ish, is with her to the end;

from heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
yet saints their watch are keep - ing, their cry goes up, "How long?"
though there be those that hate her, and false sons in her pale,

with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
and to one hope she press - es, with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
And soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
a - gainst or foe or trai - tor she ev - er shall pre - vail.

Sermon Notes

Deliberate
(Jeremiah 51.1-33)

A Note for Parents of "Little Theologians"

At Faith, we love having our children with us during the worship service! As they listen and sing and stand, we believe that they are really being ministered to by God's grace. You are not imposing on the body as you help your children to make it through an entire service (we try to finish by 12:15). The small disruptions that children bring to a worship service are most often reminders to the body (and the pastor) of Jesus' deep affection for "little theologians."

That said, if you prefer, we do offer a safe nursery downstairs for children age 4 and under (and for particularly wiggly children!). You are more than welcome to take advantage of this.

Our elders believe that one gauge of a good sermon is its clarity to "little theologians!" Here are some ways you can help the pastor speak to your children.

1. Let your child see you open your Bible to the sermon text:

Jeremiah 51.1-33

2. After the pastor prays, whisper to your child the proposition of the sermon:

Christ is the focal point of God's purpose.

3. Gently alert your child each time the pastor begins a new main point. For older children, tell them that each main point will say something about **sin**, and something about **Jesus**. The main points are:

A. Very real (yet still unique) destruction

1. **Setting the mood for a vivid and terrible event.**
2. **Setting-out the ways the event is unique.**

B. Insufficient purposes of God in this event

1. **The overall badness of Mankind**
2. **Favoring the favorite son (or, "Jacob is my favorite and I'll love him regardless!")**
3. **God is an "Angry God" and hostility is just a part of His character.**

C. The sufficient purpose of God in this event: To make Christ the focal point.

1. **In His deliberate "selfishness."**
2. **In His deliberate creation.**
3. **In His deliberate presence.**
4. **In His deliberate message.**

4. The pastor will announce the conclusion of the sermon; help your child to recognize this (they may be very ready!) and encourage them to listen carefully.

5. 'Mid toil and tribulation,
and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation
of peace forevermore;
till with the vision glorious
her longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious
shall be the church at rest.

Samuel J. Stone, 1866

6. Yet she on earth hath union
with God the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion
with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we,
like them, the meek and lowly,
on high may dwell with thee.

AURELIA 7.6.7.6.D.
Samuel S. Wesley, 1864

Deuteronomy 5.6-15

"I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. You shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain. Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy, as the Lord your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter or your male servant or your female servant, or your ox or your donkey or any of your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates, that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you. You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore the Lord your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day."

Silent confession

Hebrews 9.11-12

But when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption.

*Prayer of
Confession*

*Word of
Assurance*

There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood

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1. There is a foun - tain filled with blood, drawn from Im - man - uel's veins;
 2. The dy - ing thief re - joiced to see that foun - tain in his day;
 3. E'er since by faith I saw the stream your flow - ing wounds sup - ply,
 4. Then in a no - bler, sweet - er song I'll sing your pow'r to save,
 5. Dear dy - ing Lamb, your pre - cious blood shall nev - er lose its pow'r,

and sin - ners, plunged be - neath that flood, lose all their guilt - y stains;
 and there have I, as vile as he, washed all my sins a - way:
 • re - deem - ing love has been my theme, and shall be till I die:
 when this poor lisp - ing, stam - m'ring tongue lies si - lent in the grave:
 till all the ran - somed church of God be saved to sin no more:

lose all their guilt - y stains, lose all their guilt - y stains;
 washed all my sins a - way, washed all my sins a - way;
 • and shall be till I die, and shall be till I die;
 lies si - lent in the grave, lies si - lent in the grave;
 be saved to sin no more, be saved to sin no more;

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COME BACK THIS EVENING AND JOIN US for a celebration of 20 years at Faith! We will have a sit down dinner with games and activities at 5 pm. For more information, please see Valerie Steele, Barbara Strong or Alexandra Becker.

A LADIES NIGHT OUT to celebrate Alicia Beattie and upcoming baby girl will be held on Monday, August 25, 6 pm, at Lone Star Restaurant, 4810 C Street.

NEW MEMBERS: The elders would like to inform you that Kevin and Val Vande Kamp have recently become members of Faith by transferring their church membership. They come to us from Covenant Presbyterian Church (PCA) in Houston, Texas. In addition, Mark Hinton has transferred his church membership from New Life Presbyterian Church (PCA) in Muncie, Indiana.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY will begin September 11. This fall choose between two different times! Thursday mornings from 9:30-11 am (childcare provided) or Thursday evenings from 7:30-9pm (no childcare). Both groups will study the same book and meet at the Verbrugge home. Join us for a time of fellowship, encouragement, and studying God's Word! Contact Heidi Verbrugge or Beth Sprano with any questions or send an email to womensministry@faithanchorage.org.

TUESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: "The New Testament-Fulfillment of God's Promises" Study will begin on September 9. We are not using the Bethel Series material as we did last year and all are welcome. We will meet Tuesday nights, 7-8:30 and a nursery will be provided.

ONLINE DIRECTORY: Did you know that we have an online directory of members and regular attendees of Faith? You can access this through the church website at faithanchorage.org. Please log-in and confirm that your information is updated. If you'd like to be added, please use the form on the back of the Worship Bulletin.

LADIES! Mark your calendars for a great time of teaching, encouragement and fellowship at the Second Annual Women's Retreat to be held at Alyeska Resort on September 26-27. Details and registration information will be coming soon.

OUR FEATURED MISSIONARY: Abraham & Esther, New Light & Life Mission, India. Abe asks prayer for all churches, staff and ministry members. There are 86 new children's volunteers. They'll be trained and supported by Mission India (including teaching materials), and will do children's ministry in their areas. Good health, effective ministry and good reception in each place.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY AT FAITH: The Session is pleased to introduce a new committee at Faith - The Women's Ministry Committee. This committee was approved by the Session for the goal of "helping every woman in our church feel loved and connected and to provide an environment conducive to spiritual growth." We have approved Bernadette March, Amber Saugier, Beth Sprano, and Heidi Verbrugge to serve as the committee's first members. The committee will be sharing much more at the Women's Retreat at Alyeska on September 26 and 27. They will be seeking your input and help to create a vibrant Women's Ministry at Faith. A Women's Ministry email has been created in order for you to be able to communicate easily with the committee: womensministry@faithanchorage.org.

• 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.

Faith Volunteer Schedule – Summer & Fall 2014

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

- August 24 - The Yeagers, Karen & Linnea Jones
- August 31 - The Saugier Family & Sarah Freswick
- September 7 - Cindy Strong, Ellen Banker & Rachel Rademaker
- September 14 - James & Miranda Strong & Alisha Hilde
- September 21 - Joel & Guang Ming Whitley & Laura Battle
- September 28 - The Beatties & The Pelenatos
- October 5 - Rueben, Kaylee & Shiloh Vreeman
- October 12 - The Patterson Family
- October 19 - Beth & Tommy Rademaker & Barbara Strong
- October 26 - Alexandra & Lyle Becker & Beth Sprano

Set-Up Volunteers

- August - Rademaker
- September - Freswick & Yeager
- October - Banker & March

Clean-Up Volunteers

- August - Steele & H. March
- September—Schnieder & Reed
- October - Weiss & Sprau

Greeters

- August - Johnson
- September - Potter
- October - Strong

Faith Presbyterian Session:

Elders: John Jones (Pastor), Bill March, Mark Sprano, Jim Strong, and Bill Weiss
Contact the Elders at elder@faithanchorage.org
Pastor Jones' Office Hours are Monday & Wednesday-Friday from 9 am-6pm

Deacons: Jeff Banker, Justin Freswick, Austin Phelps, Willie Rademaker, Luke Saugier, Joel Whitley, and Ron Yeager
Contact the Deacons at deacon@faithanchorage.org

Faith Ministry Contacts:

- Volunteer Scheduling (Set-up, Clean-up, Greeter): Cindy Strong 351.6067
- Scheduling for Care Meals: Sarah Freswick 244.2614
- Hospitality (Sarah Freswick & Alisha Hilde): hospitality@faithanchorage.org
- Community Newsletter (Elaine Cox & Ivy Bowler): communitynews@faithanchorage.org
- Pictorial Dictory (Susan Weiss): directory@faithanchorage.org
- Children's Sunday School (Willie Rademaker): childhood@faithanchorage.org
- World Missions (Justin Freswick): missions@faithanchorage.org
- Hospital Visitation (Lynell Friesen & John Jones): hospital@faithanchorage.org
- Choir (Joel Whitley): choir@faithanchorage.org
- Women's Ministry (Heidi Verbrugge): womensministry@faithanchorage.org

and sin - ners, plunged be - neath that flood, lose all their guilt - y stains.
 and there have I, as vile as he, washed all my sins a - way.
 • re - deem - ing love has been my theme, and shall be till I die.
 when this poor lisp - ing, stam - m'ring tongue lies si - lent in the grave.
 till all the ran - somed church of God be saved to sin no more.

William Cowper, 1771
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FOUNTAIN 8.6.8.6.6.8.8.6.
Lowell Mason, 1830

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.*

Prayers of the People

Ephesians 1.3-14

Lesson from the New Testament

Turn Your
Eyes Upon
Jesus

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1. O soul, are you wea - ry and trou - bled? No light in the
2. Through death in - to life ev - er - last - ing he passed, and we
3. His Word shall not fail you—he prom - ised; be - lieve him and

Am C⁷ F B \flat F

dark - ness you see? There's light for a look at the
fol - low him there; o - ver us sin no more hath do -
all will be well: then go to a world that is

G⁷ C F G⁷ B⁷ C G⁷ C

Sav - ior, and life more a - bun - dant and free!
min - ion— for more than con - qu'rors we are!
dy - ing, his per - fect sal - va - tion to tell!

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CALENDAR

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

This Week August 25-31:

Monday

6:00 pm—Ladies Night Out for Alicia & Baby Girl Beattie at Lone Star Restaurant

Tuesday

9:30 am—Ladies' Prayer Meeting at Fox Hollow - Contact Bernadette March (345.2536)

Wednesday

6:00-7:00 am—Men's Prayer Meeting at Fox Hollow—Contact Justin Freswick (244.2615)

Sunday

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

10:30 am—Summer Choir Practice at Fox Hollow

11:00 am—Morning Worship Service at Fox Hollow

Future Events:

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

Friday & Saturday, September 26 & 27—Faith Woman's Retreat at Alyeska Resort

Sunday, September 7, 9:30 am—Sunday School Resumes

HELP US WITH OUR FACILITY NEEDS

Below is the current criteria for our facility search. If you see anything promising, please talk to Willie Rademaker or email our deacons at deacon@faithanchorage.org.

Location: South of 15th Ave.; west of Bragaw/Elmore; north of Potters Marsh

Minimum size: 7650 sq/ft

Acceptable rent range: \$14,000 to \$18,000/mo. (\$170,000 to \$215,000/yr)

Allowance for building improvements: \$100,000 to \$200,000

Parking: 100 spaces minimum

Classrooms/Offices: 10, plus kitchen

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

REFRAIN
 Turn your eyes up - on Je - sus, look full in his
 won - der - ful face; and the things of earth will grow
 strange - ly dim in the light of his glo - ry and grace.

Helen H. Lemmel, 1922

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Helen H. Lemmel, 1922

Presentation
of God's
Tithe

Scripture

Jeremiah 51.1-33

Sermon

Deliberate

Prayer of
Application

Confession of
Faith

Reception into membership of Patrick and Andi Amole (Madalyn, Reagan, and Carter), Dell Bakke, Mark and Kayla Hinton, and Kevin and Val Vande Kamp

Baptism of Carter Amole

Unison

1. Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart; naught be all
 2. Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word; I ev - er
 3. Be thou my bat - tle shield, sword for my fight; be thou my
 4. Rich - es I heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise, thou mine in -
 5. High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won, may I reach

Be Thou
My Vision

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else to me, save that thou art— thou my best thought by
 with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my great Fa - ther,
 • dig - ni - ty, thou my de - light, thou my soul's shel - ter,
 her - i - tance, now and al - ways: thou and thou on - ly,
 heav - en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun! Heart of my own heart, what -

day or by night, wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 I thy true son; thou in me dwell - ing, and I with thee one.
 • thou my high tow'r: raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
 first in my heart, High King of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 ev - er be - fall, still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Ancient Irish poem, ca. 8th cent.
Tr. by Mary E. Byrne, 1905
Versified by Eleanor H. Hull, 1912

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SLANE 10.10.10.10.
Traditional Irish melody
Arr. by David Evans, 1927

Benediction