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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.
- Please contact me. I would like to learn more about Faith Presbyterian.
- I would like to schedule a membership interview.
- Please contact me. I would like to learn about ways I can be involved in ministry at Faith
- 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. (cancer), Isaiah V. (now home!); and for those recovering from surgery or illness: Barbara W. (recuperation), Kevin V., and John J.; we also pray for expectant moms, Hannah W., Alisha H., Shelby V., Christin M., and Victoria S.; for wives who hope to be pregnant.

Various trials We pray for those struggling with anxious hearts due to financial struggle, lack of employment, employment insecurity, weighty decisions, unreconciled relationships, doubt, and abiding sin.

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 at the Reformed Evangelical Church of South Marseille, France; Julian and ministers-in-training that he works with worldwide; Scott Schleper (Phnom Penh, Cambodia); Betsey B., Will and Diane (Budapest), Joel and Jessica (Verona, 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); 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 campus ministers Drew Burdette (University of Washington) and Brian Frey (Boise State).

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.

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, October 12, 2014
Morning Worship Service
Pastor John Jones*

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.

*Prayer of
Invocation*

Praise Him!
Praise Him!

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1. Praise him! praise him! Je - sus, our bless - ed Re - deem - er!
2. Praise him! praise him! Je - sus, our bless - ed Re - deem - er!
3. Praise him! praise him! Je - sus, our bless - ed Re - deem - er!

Sing, O earth, his won - der - ful love pro - claim!
For our sins he suf - fered and bled and died;
Heav'n - ly por - tals loud with ho - san - nas ring!

Hail him! hail him! high - est arch - an - gels in glo - ry;
he our Rock, our hope of e - ter - nal sal - va - tion,
Je - sus, Sav - ior, reign - eth for - ev - er and ev - er;

strength and hon - or give to his ho - ly name!
hail him! hail him! Je - sus the Cru - ci - fied.
crown him! crown him! Proph - et and Priest and King!

Sermon Notes

Gladness
(Luke 1.10-17)

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:

Luke 1.10-17

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

The gladness of the Christian life is the fact of God's plan for redemption.

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. There are two kinds of gladness in this story

B. Who owns this baby?

C. What's the purpose of this baby?

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.

Fanny J. Crosby, 1869

JOYFUL SONG Irreg.
Chester G. Allen, 1869

Prayer of
Confession

1 Samuel 2.2-3

*There is none holy like the LORD;
there is none besides you;
there is no rock like our God.
Talk no more so very proudly,
let not arrogance come from your mouth;
for the LORD is a God of knowledge,
and by him actions are weighed.*

Silent confession

Word of
Assurance

Zechariah 3.4; Isaiah 61.10

And the angel said to those who were standing before him, "Remove the filthy garments from him." And to him he said, "Behold, I have taken your iniquity away from you, and I will clothe you with pure vestments."

*I will greatly rejoice in the LORD;
my soul shall exult in my God,
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation;
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,
as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress,
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHRISTIAN LIFE + POST-CHRISTIAN WORLD: Faith's annual conference this year is called, "Christian Life + Post-Christian World." The conference talks take place Friday and Saturday, Oct. 17-18, at Anchorage Grace Church. Our special guest is Dr. W. Robert Godfrey, president of Westminster Seminary California and professor of church history. As an historian (Ph.D. Stanford) and as a keen observer of cultural and philosophical trends, Dr. Godfrey is an informed observer of the state of the evangelical church in today's world. His Friday night talk (7pm) is "The Christian Challenge: Where are we culturally and how did we get here." He'll present three more talks on Saturday from 9am to 2pm concerning the confession, help, and hope of Christian life. A light lunch is provided on Saturday. The full schedule is on the church calendar.

WOMEN OF FAITH (ages 16 and older): You are warmly invited to join us for tea at Fox Hollow Golf Chalet on Sunday, October 19, from 3-5 pm. Mary Ellen Godfrey will be speaking about "Creating Christ Centered Home". She is a teacher, writer, editor, educational consultant, Bible study leader, wife, mother, and professional-all for God's glory. Please RSVP at womensministry@faithanchorage.org. If you are interested in "hosting" a table, by using your dishes to create a table setting and center piece, please inform Heidi Verbrugge (868.2882).

OUR FEATURED MISSIONARY: Jamie & Jacki Gildard, MTW, France. In September our church began an evangelism campaign focused on prayer, personal relations, and activities both with the church and independent of the church, with those personal contacts. Pray for Jamie's complete recovery from vertigo. Pray for our pastor, Timothée. He is taking on many responsibilities this fall and his wife, Camille, just had a baby. Pray for their family.

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 – Fall & Winter 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

- October 12 - The Patterson Family
- October 19 - Beth & Tommy Rademaker & Barbara Strong
- October 26 - Alexandra & Lyle Becker & Beth Sprano
- November 2 - Nariz & Jerissa Johnson & Bernadette March
- November 9 - The Yeagers, Karen & Linnea Jones
- November 16 - The Saugier Family & Sarah Freswick
- November 23 - Cindy Strong, Ellen Banker & Rachel Rademaker
- November 30 - James & Miranda Strong & Alisha Hilde
- December 7 - Joel & Guang Ming Whitley & Laura Battle
- December 14 - The Beatties & the Pelenatos

Set-Up Volunteers

- October - Banker & March
- November - Rademaker
- December - Beattie & Pelenato

Clean-Up Volunteers

- October - Weiss & Sprau
- November - Sprano & Becker
- December - Strong

Greeters

- October - Strong
- November - March
- December - Dickerson

Faith Presbyterian Session:

Elders: John Jones (Pastor), Bill March, Mark Sprano, Jim Strong, and Bill Weiss
Contact the Elders at elder@faithanchorage.org

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:

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| 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: | womensministry@faithanchorage.org |

1. Thy works, not mine, O Christ, speak glad-ness to this heart; they
 2. Thy pains, not mine, O Christ, up-on the shame-ful tree, have
 3. Thy cross, not mine, O Christ, has borne the aw-ful load of
 4. Thy righ-teous-ness, O Christ, a-lone can cov-er me: no

Thy Works,
 Not Mine,
 O Christ

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REFRAIN
 tell me all is done; they bid my fear de-part.
 paid the law's full price and pur-chased peace for me. To whom, save
 sins that none in heav'n or earth could bear but God. To whom, save
 righ-teous-ness a-vails save that which is of thee.

thee, who canst a-lone for sin a-tone, Lord, shall I flee?

Horatius Bonar, 1857

DARWALL 6.6.6.8.8.
 John Darwall, 1770

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CALENDAR

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

This Week October 13-19:

Tuesday

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

7:00 pm – The New Testament Bible Study at Fox Hollow – Contact Jim Strong (952.0669)

Wednesday

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

7:30 pm – Choir Practice at the Whitley Home – Contact Joel or Guang Ming Whitley (830.0311)

Thursday

9:30 am – Ladies' Bible Study at the Verbrugge Home – Contact Heidi Verbrugge (868.2882)

7:30 pm – Ladies' Bible Study at the Verbrugge Home – Contact Heidi Verbrugge (868.2882)

Friday

7:00 pm – Faith Conference with Dr. W. Robert Godfrey at Anchorage Grace Church

Saturday

9:00 am – 2:00 pm – Faith Conference with Dr. W. Robert Godfrey at Anchorage Grace Church

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 at Fox Hollow

3:00 pm – Ladies' Tea with Mary Ellen Godfrey 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

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

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 Old Testament

Malachi 4.1-6

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

Unison D⁷ G C G
 1. As the hart longs for flow - ing streams,
 2. My tears have fed me day and night,
 3. Why do I mourn and toil with - in,
 so longs my soul for thee, O God.
 while men have said, "Where is your God?"
 when it is mine to hope in God?
 My soul does thirst for the liv - ing God;
 But I re - call as my soul pours dry,
 I shall a - gain sing praise to him;
 when shall I come to see thy face?
 the days of my praise with - in thy house.
 he is my help, he is my God.

G/F# Em Em/D C Dsus
 D G Dm⁷ G⁷ Cmaj⁷ G
 Am⁷ G/D D⁷ G

As the Hart
Longs for
Flowing
Streams

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Based on Psalm 42
Danna Harkins, 1975

AS THE HART LONGS L.M.
Appalachian folk melody
Arr. by Danna Harkins, 1975

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Presentation
of God's
Tithe

Scripture Luke 1.10-17

Sermon Gladness

Prayer of
Application

Confession of
Faith **Celebration of the Lord's Supper**

Please hold the bread and the cup so that we can take the elements together, as one body. At Faith, wine is served for the Lord's Table; please select juice from the center of the tray if your conscience prevents you from drinking wine.

He Leadeth
Me—O
Blessed
Thought!

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1. He lead - eth me: O bless - ed thought! O words with heav'n - ly
 2. Some - times 'mid scenes of deep - est gloom, some - times where E - den's
 3. Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine, nor ev - er mur - mur
 4. And when my task on earth is done, when, by thy grace, the

com - fort fraught! What - e'er I do, wher - e'er I be, still
 bow - ers bloom, by wa - ters calm, o'er trou - bled sea, still
 nor re - pine; con - tent, what - ev - er lot I see, since
 vic - t'ry's won, e'en death's cold wave I will not flee, since

'tis God's hand that lead - eth me.
 'tis his hand that lead - eth me. He lead - eth me, he lead - eth me;
 'tis my God that lead - eth me.
 God through Jor - dan lead - eth me.

by his own hand he lead - eth me: his faith - ful fol - l'wer

I would be, for by his hand he lead - eth me.

Joseph H. Gilmore, 1862; alt.

HE LEADETH ME L.M.D.
William B. Bradbury, 1864

Benediction