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ORDER OF WORSHIP

All Saints' Sunday

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 5, 2017

10:45 a.m.

WORDS OF WELCOME – Welcome to Faith Church; we are glad you are here.
Infant and childcare (through preschool) are provided all morning in the nursery, the second room on the right through the door by the pulpit. Children, through the age of 4, may proceed to the childcare room following the "Moment with Faith Kids" for the remainder of the service.
Worship Bags are available in the back pews of the sanctuary.

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Christa Fuller Burns

Minute for Stewardship

Ileana Martinez-Castillo & Isabella Hill

Prelude Beautiful Savior

arr. Robert Hobby
(b. 1962)

**Please stand if you are able.*

(The congregation will read the words in bold.)

*Call to Worship

Paula Burger

One: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

All: Who made the heaven and earth.

One: In life and in death,

All: We belong to God.

One: Baptized into Christ's death

All: We live unto Him.

One: Come, let us worship God!

*Hymn 410 God Is Calling through the Whisper

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Prayer of Confession

Paula Burger

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. We confess that we are indifferent to your will. You call us to proclaim your name, but we are silent. You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle. You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid. In your mercy, forgive us. Give us courage to follow in your way, that joined with those from ages past, who have served you with faith, hope, and love, we may inherit the kingdom you promised in Jesus Christ. Amen.

Silence is observed.

Assurance of Pardon

Paula Burger

Hear the good news: We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or die we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be the Lord of both the living and the dead.

We are one in Christ Je - sus, all one bod - y, all one

spir - it, all to - geth - er. 1 2 geth - er. We share one

God, one might - y Lord, one a - bid - ing faith, one bind - ing

love, one sin - gle bap - tism, one Ho - ly Com - fort - er,

the Ho - ly Spir - it, u - nit - ing all.

***The Peace of Christ**

Paula Burger

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

TO PROCLAIM AND EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

Moment with Faith Kids

Rev. Burns

Prayer for Illumination

Lesson: 1 Kings 19:1-18

Paula Burger

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Sermon

"Saints...in Spite of Everything"

Rev. Burns

***Hymn 517** Here, O Our Lord, We See You

MORECOMBE

OFFERING

Offertory Send Your Word

Thomas Keesecker
(b. 1956)

Send your word, O Lord, like rain, falling down on the earth. We seek your endless grace, with souls that hunger and thirst, sorrow and agonize. We would all be lost in dark without your guiding light. Like wind blowing down upon the earth. We seek your wondrous power, pureness that rejects all sins, thought they persist and cling. Bring us to complete victory. Like the dew, coming gently on the hills. We seek you endless love, for life that suffers in strife and adversities and hurts, O send your healing power of love. We long for you new world.

***Doxology 607**

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God in whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

Offering Prayer

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation

Rev. Burns

We gather around this holy table at the invitation of our God and in communion with generations past and generations yet unborn. We come in praise of God, always and forever. We have been made holy in Christ.

At this table, we are mindful of the virtuous and godly living of saints that has become an inspiration for us. Through them may we come to know the inexpressible joys God prepares for those who love God.

At your table, O God, we receive the gift of bread and cup. These are the symbols you provide that remind us of your love.

Thanksgiving Prayer

One: We thank you, Almighty God, for creating the gift of life. We thank you

All: For the life and ministry of Jesus and for the sustaining work of the Holy Spirit.

One: We thank you

All: For faithful living of saints through all the centuries.

One: We thank you

All: For the witness of those who gave their lives in your service.

Words of Institution

Rev. Burns

In the presence of this cloud of witnesses, we gather around this table.

We remember that on the night of betrayal and desertion, Jesus gathered with his disciples for the Passover meal. He blessed and broke the bread, saying: "This is my body which is broken for you. Do this in remembrance of me." We remember that in the same way Jesus took the cup, after supper, and looked forward to your reign, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this as often as you drink, in remembrance of me."

Eternal God we stand in sacred community with all the faithful and before these gifts of your love.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit on this bread and wine; on our gifts; and on us. Strengthen your universal church that it may be the champion of peace and justice in all the world. Restore the earth with your grace that is able to make all things.

Communion (by intinction)

*As you come forward for communion, you are invited to light a candle
for one you would especially like to remember today.*

*Bread is gluten-free. Please come to the front of the sanctuary via the center aisle,
take the bread and dip it into the chalice, then partake and return to your seat by
way of a side aisle.*

Prayer

Rev. Burns

We thank you, Most Holy God, for refreshment at your table where along with your saints we receive all Christ's gifts. Provide for your church on earth a strong faith and increased love for one another. Give us the grace to praise you with our lives in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

TO GO FORTH INTO THE WORLD TO SERVE IN CHRIST'S NAME

***Hymn 326** For All the Saints

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***Benediction**

Rev. Burns

You, who are faithful, depart this place to return to a world that will test your faith. Go forth remembering the commitment of saints who did weep and pray and rejoice because of their love of God. Join them as you sing songs of praise to God and say "Yes" to God with your lives. Amen.

*The service concludes with the following postlude.
Please maintain a worshipful silence.*

Postlude For All the Saints

David Cherwien
(b. 1957)

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

Rev. Christa Fuller Burns, *Pastor*
Dr. Samuel Springer, *Minister of Music and Organist.*
Paula Burger, *Liturgist*
The Chancel Choir

FAITH FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday Adult Forum 9:15 a.m. – Woodmont Room

November Science vs Myth

- 5 – Transgender/Gender, Erin Donovan & Derrick Miller
- 12 – Immigration, Patricia Jones
- 19 – Climate Change, Molly Syme
- 26 – Foreign Policy, Siba N'Zatioula Grovogui, PhD

Benefit Concert *Sunday, November 12 – 4:00 p.m.*

This is a concert to benefit Puerto Rico, the Caribbean Islands and Mexico that were affected by the recent natural disasters. All funds will be donated.

In lieu of tickets a Free Will Donation will be accepted.

Featuring -

Bailes de mi Tierra - Mexican folkloric dancers
Patrick Alban & Noche Latina
Lenny Rogers, Steel Drums

Church Growth Committee is helping to provide transportation to this and to all church events. If you or someone you know would like a ride please let the office know and we will arrange it.

Harford House Thanksgiving *Monday, November 20*

We need your help! Please sign up to make food, pies or donate a turkey/ham. We are also in need of volunteers to help cook, bring food from the church and serve food. Your monetary donations are also most welcome.

Please let Karen Burd know how you can help make this annual event a success!
kjhburd@gmail.com 443-613-4152

Advent Devotional

Celebrate the joyous season of Advent. Write a little poem, meditation, story, or just a series of a few questions or thoughts; choose from the "starters" below or make one up. Choose something Biblical or not, perhaps a line from an Advent hymn or not.

How long, Oh Lord?
Awake!
What are we waiting
for?
Open our hearts
How shall we meet
you?

Come
While we are waiting
Light dawns
The world is weary
We are thirsty!
Thank you
When will...?

Listen!
Here I am/Here we are
You see us as we are
In the beauty of this
day

Drop your contribution(s) in the offering plate or email them to the office by November 22. The meditations will be printed for daily reading during Advent.

Wednesday Bible Study: 11:00 a.m. – Woodbourne Room, all are welcome. Join us for lively discussion on the upcoming Sunday lesson. No preparation is required.

November 1 – 1 Kings 19:1-18
November 8 - Amos 1:1-2; 5:14-15, 21-24
November 15 - Isaiah 9:1-7

Calling all crafters, bakers, knitters, and creative souls

The Deacons once again will have the Hands of Faith alternative gift table at the Advent Festival on December 3 to raise funds for the mission work of the church. We are asking for donations of your amazing creations for the table. Please see Dawn Shirey for details. Thank you in advance for generously giving of your handiwork.

50 By Thanksgiving Challenge! GEDCO's CARES Pantry

Faith Church has already donated 100 bags of food to the CARES Pantry this year. The need for food, cleaning products, and personal items is ongoing. Let's challenge ourselves to see IF we can donate at least 50 more bags by Thanksgiving.

Canned goods, non-perishable food, and household items should be placed in the baskets or grocery carts located in the narthex and hallway outside the sanctuary. Can we rise to the challenge!

Advent Festival *Sunday, December 3 following worship*

Celebrate Advent starting with a festive luncheon served in the Fellowship Hall. Shop for friends and family at alternative gift table; the proceeds go to the

Deacon's Hands of Faith fund, there are activities for children and adults.

Book Club *Monday, November 27*

Our flight motif will have us discussing **Colson Whitehead's** *The Underground Railroad*, a Pulitzer Prize and National Book Award winning chronicle "of a young slave's adventures as she makes a desperate bid for freedom in the antebellum South."

Plastic Ocean - Free Screening *Tuesday, November 14, 7:00 p.m.*

Hope you will consider coming to the free screening of this environmental film at the Senator Theater. A Plastic Ocean is an adventure documentary. Explorers Craig Leeson and Tanya Streeter and a team of international scientists reveal the causes and consequences of plastic pollution and share solutions. Panel discussion to follow with Bill Henry/City Council, Blue Water Baltimore and Department of Public Works.

Joys and Concerns may be written before the service in a special book in the narthex. The book will be brought to the minister before the prayer.

Please pray for our homebound members:

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