

Thirty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, November 13, 2022



Peaceable Kingdom c. 1834, oil on canvas
National Gallery of Art, Washington D.C.
Edward Hicks, (1780-1849) American

**Faith Presbyterian Church
ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Welcome to worship at Faith Presbyterian Church! We are glad you are joining us this morning. Whoever you are, wherever you come from, whomever you love, whatever your faith or your doubt, we welcome all whom God welcomes, and that means you. As we begin our time together, take a few deep breaths and settle in, to make the transition from getting here to being here, and to prepare your mind and body for worship.

Welcome

Rev. Cat Dodson Goodrich

Joys and Concerns

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude *If with All Your Hearts from Elijah*

Felix Mendelssohn
(1809-1847)

** Please rise in body or in spirit; unison parts are in bold.*

***Call to Worship**

Pat Nesbitt

Behold, God is doing a new thing: do you not see it? Even now it springs forth!

We cling to the promise of a new heaven and a new earth...

Where all people flourish,

and children live to old age.

They shall not hurt or destroy on all God's holy mountain.

Holding fast to this promise, let us worship the God of life together.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we confess that we have been consumed by what is, instead of looking toward what you promise will be. Caught up in our own affairs, we ignore the signs of the kingdom breaking in all around us. You promise us a new creation, but we cling to what we know, doubtful that the world will ever change. Forgive us, gracious God, and give us faith to see with fresh eyes, to listen with our hearts, to believe in your promises again. We open ourselves to you in silent prayer...

Kyrie 418 *Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling*

SOFTLY AND TENDERLY

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling,
calling for you and for me.
See, on the portals he's waiting and watching,
watching for you and for me.

"Come home, come home!
You who are weary, come home."
Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,
calling, "O sinner, come home!"

Assurance of Grace

***Gloria 544** *Bless the Lord*

BLESS THE LORD

Bless the Lord, my soul,
and bless God's holy name.
Bless the Lord, my soul,
who leads me into life.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Moment with Faith Kids

Prayer for Illumination

Gospel Reading Luke 21:5-19

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, 'As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.'

They asked him, 'Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?' And he said, 'Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and, "The time is near!" Do not go after them.

'When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

'But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls.

Music *To God Be the Glory with Moonlight Sonata, 2nd Movement*

William H. Doane
(1832-1915)

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 65:17-25

For I am about to create new heavens
and a new earth;
the former things shall not be remembered
or come to mind.
But be glad and rejoice for ever
in what I am creating;
for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy,
and its people as a delight.
I will rejoice in Jerusalem,
and delight in my people;
no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it,
or the cry of distress.
No more shall there be in it
an infant that lives but a few days,
or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;
for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,
and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.
They shall build houses and inhabit them;
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.
They shall not build and another inhabit;
they shall not plant and another eat;
for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,
and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.
They shall not labour in vain,
or bear children for calamity;
for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord—
and their descendants as well.
Before they call I will answer,
while they are yet speaking I will hear.
The wolf and the lamb shall feed together,
the lion shall eat straw like the ox;

but the serpent—its food shall be dust!
They shall not hurt or destroy
on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

This is the word of God, for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Promise of Renewal

Rev. Goodrich

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***Hymn 77** *Isaiah the Prophet Has Written of Old*

SAMANTHRA

Minute for Stewardship

Kay Ballard

Invitation to the Offering *If you wish to contribute online, please scan the QR code with your mobile device to be directed to Faith's online giving site.*



Offertory *Umoja Tunaimba*
(United We Sing)

Victor C. Johnson

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

SENDING GOD'S PEOPLE INTO THE WORLD

***Hymn 100** *My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout*

STAR OF COUNTY DOWN

***Charge and Benediction**

Postlude *Prealudium, Fuga and Ciacona*

Dietrich Buxtehude
(c.1637-1707)

Leading Worship Today

Rev. Cat Dodson Goodrich, Pastor
Dr. Samuel Springer, Minister of Music and Organist
Pat Nesbitt, Liturgist
Elder of the Day
Dawn Shirey, Zoom Moderator & PowerPoint
Andy Fuller, Audio/Camera

The flowers are in memory of Sharon Wysor Fairchild, who died two years ago on this very date in 2020. Sharon's parents Marge and Dick Wysor, were lifelong members of Faith Presbyterian Church.

****Joys and Concerns:** We are a community who prays with and for each other. There is a book in the narthex where you may write your joys and concerns, to be included in the Prayers of the People and shared in our weekly prayer chain email. If you would like to be added to the prayer chain email: faithchurchbalt@gmail.com.

This week we pray for:

Ann Scheck

Faith's homebound members

The people of Ukraine

Victims of gun violence

WELCOME to Faith Presbyterian Church! If you are visiting with us this morning, we hope you found our worship to be meaningful - your presence enriches our community. If you are seeking a church home, we hope you will return soon so that we might get to know you better. To learn about ways to get engaged in the life of Faith, check out our website, www.faihpcbalt.org, and speak with our pastor, Rev. Cat Goodrich, cgoodrich@faihpcbalt.org.

KIDS are welcome at Faith! Our PRAYGROUND at the front of the sanctuary is for children 6 and younger during worship. There are books and quiet activities to keep hands busy so ears can listen, and it's close to the action so that our youngest members can experience the beauty of worship in a space that's just for them.

This fall, **kids will meet for Sunday School** during worship. Pre-k through 1st graders will meet in the classroom just outside of the sanctuary; 2nd-6th graders will go upstairs to the second classroom. Together they will engage the scripture for the day with crafts, games and activities, using Sparkhouse lectionary curriculum. Then, they will return to worship at the conclusion of the service. On communion Sundays, the kids will stay for the entire service.

The Forum *Sundays at 9:15 in Woodbourne Room*

November 20 – We are focusing on Cuba by watching *The Belly of the Beast: the War on Cuba* and reflecting together. Audrey Trapp, Yaneldis Boullon Delgado, and the filmmaker, Reed Lindsay will join us to facilitate and contribute to the discussion.

The Forum will reflect on gratitude on November 27 and will begin an Advent study on December 11, looking at the birth of Christ through the lens of the each Gospel.