

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, October 23, 2022



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 *Just as I Am, Without One Plea*

Emma Lou Diemer
(b. 1927)

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

***Call to Worship**

Karen Meyers

Worship God with hearts, minds, and voices!

In good times and hard times, we gather together.

Because life can be difficult...

but it's easier when we go through it together.

Worship God with bodies and souls, with hands outstretched in care.

In hope, with gratitude, we are here!

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of mercy, we confess that we have, at times, gone astray.

God of love, we confess the anger we hold in our hearts. God of compassion, we confess our indifference.

God of justice, we confess that our lives are enmeshed within oppressive systems. God of peace, we confess the violence we tolerate, and lament the violent realities of our world.

Holy God, send your Spirit to restore and repair! Transform what has been twisted, and help us find what has been lost. We open ourselves to you in silent prayer...

Kyrie 422 *Create in Me a Clean Heart*

CREATE IN ME

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with your free Spirit.
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.

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

Psalter Reading Psalm 65

Praise is due to you,
O God, in Zion;
and to you shall vows be performed,
O you who answer prayer!
To you all flesh shall come.
When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us,
you forgive our transgressions.
Happy are those whom you choose and bring near

to live in your courts.
We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house,
your holy temple.

By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance,
O God of our salvation;
you are the hope of all the ends of the earth
and of the farthest seas.
By your strength you established the mountains;
you are girded with might.
You silence the roaring of the seas,
the roaring of their waves,
the tumult of the peoples.
Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs;
you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.

You visit the earth and water it,
you greatly enrich it;
the river of God is full of water;
you provide the people with grain,
for so you have prepared it.
You water its furrows abundantly,
settling its ridges,
softening it with showers,
and blessing its growth.
You crown the year with your bounty;
your wagon tracks overflow with richness.
The pastures of the wilderness overflow,
the hills gird themselves with joy,
the meadows clothe themselves with flocks,
the valleys deck themselves with grain,
they shout and sing together for joy.

***Hymn 453** *Open Your Ears, O Faithful People*

YISRAEL V'ORAITA

Old Testament Reading Joel 2: 23-32

O children of Zion, be glad
and rejoice in the Lord your God;
for he has given the early rain for your vindication,
he has poured down for you abundant rain,
the early and the later rain, as before.
The threshing-floors shall be full of grain,
the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

I will repay you for the years
that the swarming locust has eaten,
the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter,
my great army, which I sent against you.

You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied,

and praise the name of the Lord your God,
who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame.
You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel,
and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other.
And my people shall never again
be put to shame.

Then afterwards

I will pour out my spirit on all flesh;
your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
your old men shall dream dreams,
and your young men shall see visions.
Even on the male and female slaves,
in those days, I will pour out my spirit.

I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke.
The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible
day of the Lord comes. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved; for
in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and
among the survivors shall be those whom the Lord calls.

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

Sermon

It Takes a Village

Rev. Goodrich

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***Hymn 691** *Lord, When I Came into This Life*

LAND OF REST

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 *I'll Praise My Maker While I've Breath*

Craig Courtney
(b. 1948)

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 611** *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

HYMN TO JOY

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude *In Dir Ist Freude*
(In You Is Joy)

Johannes Matthias Michel
(b. 1962)

Leading Worship Today

Rev. Cat Dodson Goodrich, *Pastor*
Dr. Samuel Springer, *Minister of Music and Organist*
Karen Meyers, *Liturgist*
Deb Colmers, *Deacon of the Day*
Dawn Shirey, *Zoom Moderator & PowerPoint*
Andy Fuller, *Audio/Camera*

**** 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.faithpcbalt.org, and speak with our pastor, Rev. Cat Goodrich, cgoodrich@faithpcbalt.org.

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.

Spirituality Retreat *Nurture Creativity, Connect, & Restore*

Faith Church Second Floor; **Saturday November 5, 2022**; 9:30 am - 12:30 pm with a Light Breakfast from 9 - 9:30

Join the deacons to try Yoga, Music Meditation, learn about Chakras & Singing Bowls, do Gratitude Journaling, make a Prayer Square, help create a Paper Lace Banner for Advent, and/or Pray in Color. Join with your Faith friends to learn and rejuvenate together.

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

October 30 – *Dialogue for Peaceful Change*. A new Forum series on conflict transformation concludes on October 30. **Rev. Kate Foster** and **Karen Burd** will lead our engagement and exploration of conflict and peace building using tools and a mediation methodology developed by the Dialogue for Peaceful Change. Colin Craig, former Director of the Corrymeela Community in Northern Ireland, trained Kate and Karen (and Cat) in this methodology last spring, and they are training others in the hopes of transforming conflict and building peace in Baltimore.

November 6, 13 & 20 – We will focus 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.