

Christ Our King
November 26, 2023



Unity Wall, mural on Greenmont (2005)
Lyle Kissack and the students of Living Classrooms Crossroad School

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 AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Christa Fuller Burns

JOYS AND CONCERNS

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE *Praise the Almighty, My Soul, Adore Him*

Paul Manz
(1919-2009)

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Bobby Hall

In a world filled with the sounds bombs and gunfire,

Let us make a joyful noise.

In a world where angry taunts and hurtful invective echo in the halls of justice,

Let us make a joyful noise.

In a world where voices of hopelessness are everywhere,

Let us make a joyful noise.

***HYMN 35** *Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty*

LOBE DEN HERREN

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You have given us voices, creating God, but all too often we hold our tongues. You have given to us so many things that should make us glad and yet we give in to lists of what we don't have. You have given us brothers and sisters around the world, and we choose our own security and prosperity over others. You have given us this place, your house, but we choose to worship at other altars. Forgive us, and help us to find, once again, our voices and the deep praise that is within us all. Amen.

KYRIE 287 *Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading*

NJOO KWETU, ROHO MWEMA

Gracious Spirit, heed our pleading;
fashion us all anew.

It's your leading that we're needing;
help us to follow you.

Refrain:

Come, come, come, Holy Spirit, come.
Come, come, come, Holy Spirit, come.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

***GLORIA 637** *O Sing to the Lord*

CANTAI AO SENHOR

Repeated four times

O sing to the Lord; O sing God a new song.

***PASSING THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you...
... and also with you.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

A MOMENT WITH FAITH KIDS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALTER READING Psalm 100 *read in unison*

**Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
Worship the Lord with gladness;
come into his presence with singing.**

**Know that the Lord is God.
It is he that made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**

**Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise.
Give thanks to him, bless his name.**

**For the Lord is good;
his steadfast love endures for ever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.**

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

SERMON

The New Sound System

Rev. Burns

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***HYMN 612** *We Praise You, O God*

KREMSER

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 *O God, Your Goodness*

Ludwig van Beethoven
(1770-1827)

PRAYER 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 641** *When in Our Music God Is Glorified*

ENGELBERG

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE *When in Our Music God Is Glorified*

setting David Cherwien
(b. 1957)

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

Rev. Christa Fuller Burns, *Pastor Emerita*
Dr. Samuel Springer, *Minister of Music and Organist*
Bobby Hall, *Liturgist*
Paula Burger, *Elder of the Day*
Carl & Kristin Herber, *Ushers*
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:

Faith's homebound members and
those receiving long-term care.
Our partners in Cuba

Victims of gun violence
The people of Ukraine, Israel, Palestine, Sudan,
and all those who suffer from war and disaster.

WELCOME to Faith Presbyterian Church! If you are visiting with us this morning, we hope you find 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.

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.

Childcare for our young children is available. While kids are welcome in worship, there is a caregiver and safe play space in the nursery, just out the door nearest the pulpit.

The Forum: Faith formation gathering for youth and adults, *Sundays, 9:15 in the Woodmont Room and on Zoom.* cgoodrich@faithpcbalt.org!

Wednesday Bible Study 11:00 a.m. on Zoom Wednesday - Join Cat every Wednesday to reflect on the coming Sunday's lectionary passage. All are welcome! Meeting ID: 818 8551 6595; passcode: 716331

Children's Sunday School has begun. After the Moment with Faith Kids, kids ages 4 and up are invited to explore the passage of the day with games, crafts, and other activities. They will return at the end of worship to the sanctuary.

ROPAGOFA Youth Group meets every third Sunday at 5:30! Join young people from Faith, Govans, and Roland Park churches to build a durable faith through fun, games, and encountering God together. Every third Sunday – December 17 at Faith.

New Directory We are updating our church directory! Please submit a recent photo and any changes to your address or contact information to faithchurchbalt@gmail.com.

Christmas Day Luncheon the Deacons will host a traditional Christmas Dinner on **Monday, December 25th at 1:00 pm** in Hyde Hall for our Faith Family. Please let Dawn Shirey (dawnmshirey@gmail.com -- 443-791-4362) or the office know if you plan to attend and/or if you would like to contribute a favorite dish for this special meal.

Sunday, December 3, Noon - 2:00

Faith's Advent Festival

Get ready to tick off that long list, with treats and special gifts for all to enjoy.

Discover
Handmade gifts, ornaments, homemade fudge sauce, Kalua for You'ah, Georgia pecans, and more!
Invite your friends and family to this festive celebration.

Join us for a potluck luncheon.

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Advent

Watching the Stars

12/03 12~2:00 - Advent Festival

Shop to Support Hands of Faith

Potluck Lunch- Bring a Dish to Share

Hyde Fellowship Hall

12/10•10:45 - A Service of Lessons & Carols

12/17•10:45 - Christmas Pageant

12/19•6:00~8:00 p.m. - Hops & Hymns

Peabody Heights Brewing Co.

401 E 30th St 21218

12/24•10:45 - Carols & Cocoa

The Chapel

Christmas Eve

5:00 p.m. - Worship with
communion & candlelight

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