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8:00 AM

Worship Leader- Bud Robinson

Greeter- Jack & Laura Cresenzo

Acolyte- Nick Popovich

A/V Coordinators – Colton & Melissa Kalmar

Video/Digital Production Sam & Lisa

Popovich

10:30 AM

Worship Leader – Bev Fensch

Greeter- Sybil Kunkelmann

Acolyte- Jane & Ann Teslevich

Seventh Sunday of Pentecost July 27, 2025

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*indicates the congregation may stand.

PRELUDE

“Seek Ye First”

Words by Karen Lafferty,

Arranged by Lloyd Larson Performed by Faith Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 85

Leader: You have been gracious to us, O Lord,

People: You have forgiven the iniquity of your people and blotted out all their sins.

Leader: Show us your mercy, O Lord,

People: and grant us your salvation.

*OPENING HYMN

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

(OGRP Hymnal) Pg. 36

(1) Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!

Let all, with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice;

praise is His gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!

(2) Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen!

Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!

He is our Guide and Friend, to us He'll condescend;

His love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!

(3) Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen!

Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!

On heaven's blissful shore His goodness we'll adore,

singing for ever more: “Alleluia! Amen!”

OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)

Father in heaven, in your goodness you pour out on your people all that they need, and satisfy those who persist in prayer. Make us bold in asking, thankful in receiving, tireless in seeking, and joyful in finding, that we may always proclaim your coming kingdom and do your will on earth as in heaven. Amen.

Leader: This is the Word of God! For the people of God!

People: Thanks be to God!

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (In Unison)

Our Father, who art 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

"I Can Only Imagine"

By Bart Millard

* DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (OGRP Hymnal) No. 682

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

praise him, all creatures here below;

praise him above, ye heavenly host;

praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

(Offering plates will NOT be passed)

*OFFERTORY PRAYER (In Unison)

Loving God, as Jesus prayed for unity among His followers, we bring our gifts in the spirit of that same unity. Bless these offerings and use them to draw others into the love and truth of Christ, that the world may see and believe. In Jesus' name, we give. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Sweet, Sweet Spirit

(OGRP Hymnal) Pg. 361

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place

And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord

There are sweet expressions on each face

And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

Refrain *Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove,*

stay right here with us Filing us with your love;

and for these blessings we Lift our hearts in praise;

without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place

INTRODUCTION TO THE MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Esther 4:10-14

(NRSV) Pg. 447

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

MESSAGE

Esther

(Awkward First Impression Series)

*RESPONSE TO THE WORD

The APOSTLES' CREED (In Unison)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

Glory Be to the Father

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

Trust and Obey

(OGRP Hymnal) No. 334

(1) *When we walk with the Lord, in the light of His Word,
what a glory He sheds on our way!
While we do His good will, He abides with us still,
and with all who will trust and obey.*

Refrain *Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.*

(2) *Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share,
but our toil He doth richly repay;
not a grief or a loss, not a frown or a cross,
but is blest if we trust and obey.*

Refrain *Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.*

(3) *But we never can prove the delights of His love
until all on the altar we lay;
for the favor He shows, and the joy He bestows,
are for them who will trust and obey.*

Refrain *Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.*

(4) *Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at His feet,
or we'll walk by His side in the way;
what He says we will do, where He sends we will go;
never fear, only trust and obey.*

Refrain *Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.*

*BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless and keep you

People: the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you;

Pastor: the Lord turn his face toward you

People: and give you peace. Amen!

POSTLUDE

**** The flowers on the altar are in memory of Leila Welborn. Given by Jerry Welborn ****

****OUR MEMBER TO REMEMBER** today is Donna Earnest. Please take a few moments to sign the greeting card on the Action Table to wish her God's blessings. **

Prayer List – Faith GMC

(Any requests received after bulletin completion will still be passed on to the Prayer Chain but will be listed in next week's bulletin.)

Prayer request to mention week of July 27th

1. Peace
2. Dan Wolfe- in ICU at AGH with blood clots
3. Becky Anthony- serve burns from a gas grill accident
4. Miss Shelly- complete recovery from a recent stroke
5. Fred Salo
6. Tim Negley- In Forbes Hospital having a heart procedure

Prayer request to mention week of July 20th

1. Sally- at home recovering
2. Chuck Robinson- Bud's cousin- has bladder cancer and needs prayers
3. Vitali- procedure- healing
4. Charlotte- blood clot in her lungs
5. Pastor Ron Raptosh- continued healing from his surgery
6. Donna Earnest- in the hospital with dizziness and bowel obstruction
7. Lisa Fair- prayers for good results and healing from a biopsy
8. Lidia- Linda Kunkle's granddaughter only a week old in Children's due to blood issue

Continued prayers for:

Dick & Natalie Berlin, Dick & Pat Bush, Nick Coppage, Joan Nellis, The White Family, Michael Scoletti, Bill & Mary Weyel, Julie Kovacs, Joey Kasunic, Shirley Fabrizi, Stephanie Taczak, Fred Roach, Bob & Mary Zacharias, Straw Soffronoff, Beth Tyson, Pam Scalf, Jack & Emogene Blair, Sue Harmuth, Martha, Karen, Jean Loughry, John Womer, Linda, Barb Kaufman, Dennis & Gerrilynn Butterfield, Louise Gladkowski, Tracey Albert, Harry Loughner, Judy Magill, Jeff Retter, Beth Muri, Karen Klancia

OPPORTUNITIES IN THE KINGDOM

Sunday, July 27th	8:00 AM	7 th Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service
	9:00 AM	Coffee Hour and Fellowship
	10:30 AM	7 th Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service
	11:30 AM	"Meet & Greet the Hanovers"
Monday, July 28th		
Tuesday, July 29th		
Wednesday, July 30th		
Thursday, July 31st		
Friday, August 1st	9:00 AM	Kitchen Clean out
Saturday, August 2nd	9:00AM	Prayer Group
Sunday, August 3rd	8:00 AM	8 th Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service

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FGMC ANNOUNCEMENTS 07.27.25

MC2 is hosting an American Red Cross Blood Drive Monday, July 28 from 1:00PM-6:00PM at the Community Outreach Center (Located beside Friends Thrift Shop 5778 Kennedy Ave, Export). If you would like to donate, please go to www.redcrossblood.org and enter code MCCCOC to register. You can also register by calling 1-800-733-2767. Thank you for your life saving donation!

HAVE YOU SAVED THE DATE? Saturday morning, September 20, 2025.
That's when our friend Rev. Chuck Hildbold will lead us in a **Walk Thru the Bible** from 9 am to noon. You, your family, and friends will be sooo glad to be on hand for the "otLIVE" event that will take us through the entire Old Testament. You'll have a great experience and learn how the OT stories mesh to show us Who God is and His plan for the coming of His Son our Savior. Check your August *Faith Flyer* for all the details. Registration forms with more info are on the Action Table. Grab and complete a form for each person in your group to let us know you'll be coming. The deadline to register with fee is August 29th. For everyone 8 years and older.

Faith church is participating in Delmont Daze on August 2 in the parklet. We will be setting up the night before so volunteers will be needed to help set up the tent. On August 2nd, volunteers will be needed to help with games from 11-5 and then take down the tent at 5 pm. A sign up sheet is on the action table if you are interested in helping.

Join our August ***Visions & Dreams* porch event** when we will have an **Ice Cream Social on Wednesday, August 20th at 6:30 p.m.** (It is 6:30 p.m. since a meal is not involved.) Numerous toppings will be available for you to create your own sundaes. The **deadline to sign up will be Sunday, August 10th.** (The sign-up sheet is on the Action Table.) More info can be found in the August issue of the Faith Flyer.

TEACHERS AND HELPERS ARE NEEDED IN OUR CHILDREN'S CLASSES!

Praise God, our Sunday School is growing! And we need more helpers to share their love of Jesus with our kids at FGMC.

If you want to make a difference in the faith of a young person while growing in your own discipleship, may you prayerfully consider being a part of this important ministry.

Please know each teacher/helper is part of teaching team which work together on the weekly lessons. To learn more, please talk to one of the teachers or Linda Loughner.

You'll be blessed!

PRAYER MINISTRY AT FAITH: Join us on the 1st Saturday of each month from 9:30-10:30 AM in the room off the gathering area. If you feel called to intercessory prayer or if you need prayer, please come. If you have any questions, please contact Carrie at 412-334-0920 or carriebortz@yahoo.com Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Jesus Christ. 1Thes.5:16-1

Receive the Faith Flyer newsletter in your mail. If you are new to our church and would like to receive the monthly Faith Flyer newsletter, reach out to the office so we can get your address in our system.

OUTREACH ANNOUNCEMENTS

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: There is a need for volunteers for Delmont Meals on Wheels on Fridays. If you are interested contact Joann Emanuele at 724-327-7464.

DONATIONS NEEDED....During June, July and August donations to the Blackburn Center are being collected by Faith Church. The Blackburn Center envisions a world free from domestic violence and other forms of violence. The Blackburn Center advocates for the rights of all individuals to live free from domestic and sexual violence and other forms of violence by eliminating the root causes of this violence and providing for the well-being and safety of survivors/victims. Your generous donation will provide crucial services to people whose lives have been impacted by violence or crime, including hotline, shelter, legal advocacy, counseling and more. A wish list of items needed is in the June-July Faith Flyer and also on the Action Table.



HELPING YOUR NEIGHBORS: NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS NEEDED for the Loaves and Fishes Emergency Food Pantry in Murrysville. This food pantry provides a 3-day supply of food to our neighbors who are in need. Please consider donating canned soup, canned vegetables, canned tuna fish, cereal, pasta, spaghetti sauce, macaroni and cheese, spices. There is a bin in the gathering area for your donations.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES It is never too early to start packing shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Empty shoeboxes are available in the room on the right as you exit the church.

OFFER THE GIFT OF SIGHT: A Lions International collection box is in the gathering area for your used glasses, including sunglasses and reading glasses.



***Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours.
Yours are the eyes through which he looks compassion on this world.
Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good.
Yours are the hands through which he blesses all the world.
Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are his body.
Christ has no body on earth but yours.” Teresa of Avila –***

In-person attendance week ending 07/20/2025 = 175

Tithes, offerings, and gifts received for the week ending 07/20/2025

OUR GIVING IS A REFLECTION OF OUR COMMITMENT TO JESUS CHRIST!

2025 Annual Operating Budget: \$371,285.85

NEED EACH WEEK	\$ 7,140.11	NEED TO DATE	\$ 207,063.14
RECEIVED 07/20/2025	\$ 7,841.00	RECEIVED TO DATE	\$260,001.14
(-)SHORTAGE/(+)SURPLUS + \$ 52,938.00			
CAMPERSHIP GOAL 6/1/2025-5/31/2026:			\$ 10,000.00
RECEIVED	\$ 10.00	RECEIVED TO DATE	\$ 425.00



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