



# Faith Global Methodist Church

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Pastor – Rev. Dr. Jonathan Hanover  
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Hymn Leader – Colton Kalmar  
8:00 AM  
Worship Leader- Barb Hilty  
Greeter- Randy & Debbie McDevitt  
Acolyte- Nick Popovich

A/V Coordinators – Colton & Melissa Kalmar  
Video/Digital Production Sam & Lisa Popovich  
10:30 AM  
Worship Leader – Lynn Pyle  
Greeter- Harry & Donna Loughner  
Acolyte- Alex Patrick

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## Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost August 24, 2025

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*indicates the congregation may stand.

### PRELUDE

El Shaddai

Words by John W. Thompson

Music by Michael Card, Preformed by Avery Biltz

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 71

Leader: In you, O Lord, I take refuge;

**People: let me never be put to shame.**

Leader: For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O Lord, from my youth.

**People: From my birth I have leaned upon you. My praise is continually of you.**

### \*OPENING HYMN

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” #8

*(1) Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love;  
hearts unfold like flow’rs before Thee, opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!*

*(2) All Thy works with joy surround Thee, earth and heav’n reflect Thy rays,  
stars and angels sing around Thee, center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flow’ry meadow, flashing sea,  
chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.*

*(3) Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,  
well spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are Thine;  
teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.*

*(4) Mortals, join the mighty chorus which the morning stars began;  
love divine is reigning o’er us, binding all within its span.  
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife;  
joyful music leads us sunward, in the triumph song of life.*

OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)

**Living God, you formed us in the womb and appointed us to be prophets to the nations. Stretch out your hand to cure our infirmity and dispel our fear, that we may know the freedom of serving you in Christ and proclaim the wonders you have done. Amen.**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Hebrews 12:18-29

(NRSV) Pg. 227

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.**

BLESSING FOR OUR STUDENTS AND THEIR SUPPORTS

SPECIAL MUSIC

Wonderful Merciful Savior

Words and Music by Dawn Rodgers and  
Eric Wyse Performed by Gina Biltz

\* 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, you bring freedom to those who are bound and healing to those who are hurting. As we offer our gifts today, we pray that they will be used to bring release to the captives and comfort to the oppressed. May our actions reflect your love for all people. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE

***"Revive Us Again" # 78***

1. *We praise Thee, O God, for the Son of Thy love – for  
Jesus, who died and is now gone above.*

***Refrain*** *Hallelujah! Thine the glory! Hallelujah! Amen!  
Hallelujah! Thine the glory! Revive us again.*

2. *We praise Thee, O God, for Thy Spirit of Light,  
who has shown us our Savior and scattered our night.*

***Refrain*** *Hallelujah! Thine the glory! Hallelujah! Amen!  
Hallelujah! Thine the glory! Revive us again.*

3. *All glory and praise to the Lamb that was slain,*

*who has borne all our sins and has cleansed ev'ry stain.*

**Refrain** *Hallelujah! Thine the glory! Hallelujah! Amen!  
Hallelujah! Thine the glory! Revive us again.*

4. *Revive us again; fill each heart with Thy love.  
May each soul be rekindled with fire from above.*

**Refrain** *Hallelujah! Thine the glory! Hallelujah! Amen!  
Hallelujah! Thine the glory! Revive us again.*

## INTRODUCTION TO THE MESSAGE

### GOSPEL LESSON

John 20:24-29

(NRSV) Pg. 115

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

### MESSAGE

***In-Between Seeing and Believing***

***(In-Between Times 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

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

# 351

1. *My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of  
Calvary, Savior divine! Now hear me  
while I pray, take all my guilt away,  
O let me from this day be wholly Thine!*

2. *May Thy rich grace impart strength to my  
fainting heart, my zeal inspire! as Thou hast  
died for me, O may my love to Thee  
pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire!*

3. *While life's dark maze I tread, and griefs around  
me spread, be Thou my guide; bid darkness  
turn today, wipe sorrow's tears away,  
nor let me ever stray from Thee aside.*

4. *When ends life's transient dream, when death's cold,  
sullen stream shall o'er me roll; blest Savior,  
then in love, fear and distrust remove;  
O bear me safe above, a ransomed soul!*

**\*BENEDICTION**

Pastor: May the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding,

**People: guard our hearts and our minds in Christ Jesus.**

Pastor: Go in the peace of presence of the Holy Spirit,

**People: now and forever. Amen!**

**POSTLUDE**

**Please stay seated till the Pastor and choir have exited.**

**\*\* The flowers on the altar are in celebration of Zachary Cheripka's 9<sup>th</sup> birthday given by grandma, Kathy Craig \*\***

**\*\*OUR MEMBER TO REMEMBER** today is Jack & Emogene Blair. Please take a few moments to sign the greeting card on the Action Table to wish them 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 August 24<sup>th</sup>**

1. Lauryn Grantz- 17 year old with petite mal seizures
2. Chuck Hildbold- recovering from back surgery

**Prayer request to mention week of August 17<sup>th</sup>**

1. Heather- full recovery from kidney transplant with complications
2. Tom- major back surgery on August 27<sup>th</sup>
3. Steve- successful treatment for prostate cancer
4. Church member- good results for a stress test and CAT scan
5. Praise Report- Lisa Fair- all biopsies came back benign

**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, 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, Alice Burkhart, Ken Thom, Sally Wareham, Sharon Bronson

**OPPORTUNITIES IN THE KINGDOM**

<b>Sunday, August 24<sup>th</sup></b>	8:00 AM	11 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service
	9:00 AM	Coffee Hour and Fellowship
	10:30 AM	11 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service
<b>Monday, August 25<sup>th</sup></b>		
<b>Tuesday, August 26<sup>th</sup></b>		

<b>Wednesday, August 27<sup>th</sup></b>	7:00 PM	Choir Practice
<b>Thursday, August 28<sup>th</sup></b>		
<b>Friday, August 29<sup>th</sup></b>		
<b>Saturday, August 30<sup>th</sup></b>		
<b>Sunday, August 31<sup>st</sup></b>	8:00 AM	12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service
	9:00 AM	Coffee Hour and Fellowship
	10:30 AM	12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service

### FGMC ANNOUNCEMENTS 08.24.25

Attention Ministry Chairs: Please check your church mailboxes for the 2026 Budget Planning Information from the Finance Committee. Forms will need completed and returned to the church office by **September 10, 2025**. Thank you, Dave Hults, Finance Chair

Pastor Jonathan along with SPPRC are hosting listening visits so that he can get to know us a little better in smaller groups. We can share our blessings as well as our visions for the Faith family. There are sign up sheets on the action table so that we do not go over 20 per group and can prepare properly. If someone other than the committee would like to host a visit, please see Sue Sonafelt

Kitchen Ministries will sponsor the Church Picnic & Potluck after the second worship service on **Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup>**. The church will provide the hotdogs, buns, and drinks. The potluck part comes from you, the members of Faith Church. Bring your favorite food offering to the church with you when you come for Sunday School and/or worship. You can keep it in the refrigerator, oven, or warmer until it's time to eat. To assure that there is a variety of foods, it is suggested that if your last name begins with: A-I: cold dish J-R: hot dish S-Z: dessert

***DON'T FORGET!! Registration deadline for WTTB is this Friday, August 29th!***

*Be sure you, your kids, grandkids, family and friends are all signed up for the otLIVE event at Faith Church on Saturday morning, September 20th, from 9 to noon. Join the group to get new understanding of the Old Testament in a enjoyable way!*

*You can register online or with a registration form from the Action Table. If you need help with the cost, please see Barb Hilty or Alisha in the church office.*

The sign-up sheet for the last Visions & Dreams event in 2025 is on the Action Table. If interested, sign up for the **Thursday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, "Tacos & Trivia" at 5:30 PM!** More information can be found in the September Faith Flyer. The deadline to sign up is Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup>.

### 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](mailto: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**

**COOK IS NEEDED:** Delmont Meals on Wheels is looking for a cook to prepare meals on Fridays. Contact Joann Emanuele for more information.

**DONATIONS NEEDED:** Sunday, August 31 is the last day to bring in new items for the Blackburn Center. Pastor Jonathan will be blessing these items on the 31<sup>st</sup>. A wish list of items needed is on the Action Table.



**HELPING OUR NEIGHBORS...** Donations of non-perishable food items are being accepted thru October 14<sup>th</sup>. These donations will be boxed and available to those attending the October 20<sup>th</sup> Grab and Go food distribution if needed. **Last fall, 25 families were turned away at this event due to running out of food.** Food Bank is anticipating 150 families to attend. Any boxed food not handed out will be shared with the Delmont Food Pantry, Loaves and Fishes Emergency Food Pantry, and the Friends Thrift Shop.

**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.

**WINTER COATS NEEDED** to benefit the Delmont Food Pantry and the Export Friends Thrift Shop. We're looking for donations of new and/or gently worn but clean winter coats thru October. All sizes/adults/kids.

**CARE BOX ITEMS ARE NEEDED** for our college students and active military members. All addresses **MUST** be received in the church office by Friday, September 12<sup>th</sup> to receive a Fall season care box. The last day to bring in items will be Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>. Last year we mailed care boxes. I already have 4 names (2 are new) that will be receiving care boxes. Let's continue Sharing Christ's Love Through Faith.

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED** for the October 20<sup>th</sup> Westmoreland Food Bank's Grab & Go food distribution at Faith Church. A sign-up sheet will be on the action table starting September 7<sup>th</sup>.

**VOLUNTEERS WILL BE NEEDED** on Saturday, November 22 for an **AMEN TO ACTION** event at the Community Outreach Center (next to the Friends Thrift Shop) in Export. Mark your calendars. Watch for additional information and a sign up sheet.

**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 08/17/2025 = 171

Tithes, offerings, and gifts received for the week ending 08/17/2025

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	\$ 235,623.58
ECEIVED 08/17/2025	\$ 7,474.00	RECEIVED TO DATE	\$292,932.38
(-)SHORTAGE/(+)SURPLUS + \$ 57,308.80			
CAMPERSHIP GOAL 7/1/2025-6/30/2026:			\$ 10,000.00
Balance as of July 31, 2025			\$ 8,855.03



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