



Faith Global Methodist Church

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8:00 AM

Worship Leader- Bill Graham

Pianist- Alyssa Wells

Hymn Leader- Bud Robinson

Acolyte- Nick Popovich

Greeter- Ron & Nancy Smalley

10:30 AM

Worship Leader – Kathy Craig

Pianist- Holly Kwaczala

Hymn Leader- Bud Robinson

Acolyte- Owen Scalise

Greeter- Kathy Thurston

Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost August 31, 2025

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*indicates the congregation may stand.

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 81

Leader: Sing aloud to God our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob.

People: He brought us out of the land of Egypt.

Leader: Open our mouths wide, and he will fill them.

People: With the honey from the rock, he will satisfy.

*OPENING HYMN

"For the Beauty of the Earth" # 82

*1. For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies;*

Refrain *Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.*

*2. For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night,
hill and vale, and tree and flow'r, sun and moon, and stars of light;*

Refrain *Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.*

*3. For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight,
for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight;*

Refrain *Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.*

*4. For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild;*

Refrain *Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.*

5. *For Thy church, that ever more lifteth holy hands above,
of fring up on eve'ry shore her pure sacrifice of love;*

Refrain *Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.*

6. *For Thy self, best Gift Divine, to the world so freely giv'n,
for that great, great love of Thine, peace on earth, and joy in heav'n;*

Refrain *Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.*

OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)

God of majestic glory, in humility you have revealed yourself in the incarnation of your Son, Jesus Christ, who took the lowest place among us that we might be raised to the heights of divinity. Teach us to walk the path he prepared for us, so that we might take a place at the table with all who seek the joy of his kingdom. Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Hebrews 11:1-40

(NRSV) Pg. 225

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 OF DONATIONS FOR BLACKBURN CENTER

*** 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)**

Gracious God, you have shown us the depths of our unfaithfulness and our need for your mercy. We offer these gifts in repentance, asking that they be used to bring restoration and healing to a broken world. May our giving to this offering be a small act of our desire to return to you each and every day. We humbly pray. Amen.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

"Tell Me the Stories of Jesus"

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*1. Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear,
things I would ask Him to tell me if He were here:
scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea,
stories of Jesus – tell them to me.*

2. *First let me hear how the children stood round His knee;
and I shall fancy His blessing resting on me;
words full of kindness, deeds full of grace,
all in the love light of Jesus' face.*

3. *Into the city I'd follow the children's band,
waving a branch of the palm tree high in my hand.
One of His heralds, yes, I would sing
loudest hosannas! Jesus is King!*

4. *Show me that scene in the garden of bitter pain,
and of the cross where my Savior for me was slain.
Sad ones or bright ones, as they may be,
stories of Jesus, tell them to me.*

5. *Tell how He rose on the third day, up from the grave!
How He ascended to heaven, mighty to save!
All of my whole life, now to the end,
I will love Jesus, Savior and Friend.*

INTRODUCTION TO THE MESSAGE

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 17:14-21

(NRSV) Pg. 19

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

MESSAGE

Where the Rubber meets the Road

Charlene Schroder

*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

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

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*(1) Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
there is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not;
as Thou hast been Thou forever will be.*

(Refrain) Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!

*Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed Thy hand hath provided –
great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.*

*(2) Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.*

(Refrain) *Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed Thy hand hath provided –
great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.*

*(3) Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!*

(Refrain) *Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed Thy hand hath provided –
great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.*

***BENEDICTION**

Leader: Let the beloved of the Lord rest secure in him,

People: for he shields all day long.

Leader: The eternal God is your refuge as you leave this place;

People: underneath are his everlasting arms. Amen!

POSTLUDE

****OUR MEMBER TO REMEMBER** today is Judy Ernst. 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 24th

1. John & Polly Negich- John had both kidneys removed due to cancer and is not doing well. He needs a miracle.
2. Teresa Elvin- battling cancer and undergoing chemo
3. Roger Wigle- Border Patrol Pilot, diagnosed with AFIB needs prayers for resolution so he can continue his career
4. Nicole Bowers-Clint's daughter- having blurry vision and having testing done
5. Tom- major back surgery on August 27th
6. Reynold's Family
7. Bonnie George
8. Chuck Hildbold- recovering from back surgery
9. Dylan Geraci- young man that had a stroke and is in Cleveland Clinic

Prayer request to mention week of August 24th

- 1. Lauryn Grantz- 17 year old with petite mal seizures

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, Sharon Bronson

OPPORTUNITIES IN THE KINGDOM

Sunday, August 31st	8:00 AM	12 th Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service
	9:00 AM	Coffee Hour and Fellowship
	10:30 AM	12 th Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service
Monday, Sept. 1st		Labor Day- Office Closed
Tuesday, Sept. 2nd	6:30 PM	Trustee Meeting
Wednesday, Sept. 3rd	7:00 PM	Choir Practice
Thursday, Sept. 4th		
Friday, Sept. 5th		
Saturday, Sept. 6th	9:30 AM	Prayer Group
Sunday, Sept. 7th	8:00 AM	13 th Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service
	9:00 AM	Coffee Hour and Fellowship
	10:30 AM	13 th Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service
	11:45 AM	Kick Off Sunday Church Picnic

FGMC ANNOUNCEMENTS 08.31.25

Walk Thru The Bible- If you have not yet registered for the event on Saturday, September 20th there is still time to sign up. Extra books have been ordered. Contact the office, pick up a form on the action table or register on our website.

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

Please review the Continued Prayers list above and let the office know if there is anyone you feel should be added or removed.

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 7th**. 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

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 25th, "Tacos & Trivia" at 5:30 PM!** More information can be found in the September Faith Flyer. The deadline to sign up is Sunday, September 14th.

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

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



HELPING OUR NEIGHBORS...Donations of non-perishable food items are being accepted thru October 14th. These donations will be boxed and available to those attending the October 20th 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 12th to receive a Fall season care box. The last day to bring in items will be Sunday, September 28th. 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 20th Westmoreland Food Bank's Grab & Go food distribution at Faith Church. A sign-up sheet will be on the action table starting September 7th.

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 08/24/2025 = 175			
Tithes, offerings, and gifts received for the week ending 08/24/2025			
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	\$ 242,763.69
ECEIVED 08/24/2025	\$ 8,000.00	RECEIVED TO DATE	\$300,932.38
(-)SHORTAGE/(+)SURPLUS + \$ 58,168.69			
CAMPERSHIP GOAL 7/1/2025-6/30/2026:			\$ 10,000.00
Balance as of July 31, 2025			\$ 8,855.03



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