

FAITH IMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Monday – Friday 9:00am – 4:00pm

FAITH IMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH "A welcoming community serving God and Neighbor"

20th Sunday after Pentecost

Worship at 11:00 a.m.

October 6, 2024

As you enter the sanctuary, please silence your cell phones and maintain a reverential quiet as you prepare your heart and mind to worship God. If you have a prayer request you would like to share with the pastor, please fill out a prayer card and pass it to the center aisle where an usher will collect it during the first hymn.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Carrie Barnes

PRELUDE

"A Festal Fanfare" Bach / arr. Thompson

WE CELEBRATE THE PRESENCE OF GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Gentle God, we come to you as children.

All: We come as your little ones, in need of your power and grace.

One: We come hungry for your love.

All: And you welcome us, not because of our past, not for our deserving but because we are your beloved children.

One: We come with all our siblings around the world.

All: Though we may squabble we are one at your table,

One: All our siblings are with us here in your love,

from every nation, every language, every culture.

All: Gather us, God, and make us one in your love, one in the Body of Christ.

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN # 396 Brethren, We Have Met to Worship

*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious Lord, creator of this universe, in your generosity you have given us a world of abundance and diversity, yet we live guided by greed and selfishness. In Christ, you made us brothers and sisters and intended for us to be united, and yet we have built walls to separate us from those who are different from us. You gave us wisdom and creativity and we have used those to trick each other and to develop weapons of destruction and death. You gave us laws to order our lives and we have abused them to take revenge and punish our enemies. We love war rather than strive for peace. We ignore the poor and the weak and honor the rich and powerful. In all this we have not lived according to your will. Forgive us, Lord, for daring to boast in our human achievements and for failing to recognize that you alone are worthy of praise. In your mercy, forgive us our sins.

*SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PRAYERS OF JOY & CONCERNS AT FAITH IMMANUEL CHURCH

For Family of Pat Lebo: Health Concerns for

multiple family members.

Pat Lebo: Prayers that Biopsy, Oct 3, is Benign.

Irene: Friend of Shirley Cleaver. Going to

Homeland for rehab.

Family of Suk: Prayers.

The Family and Friends of Lauren: Niece of

Cathy Hartwick, passed away.

Steven: Recovering from heart surgery.

The Family and Friends of John Bowerman:

Member of FIPC. Husband of Joan Bowerman.

Passed away 9/23/24. Funeral 10/7. **Kathy:** God's guidance and protection.

Dana Litz: Prayers.

The Family of Ruthie Johnson: Passed away

last week.

The friends and family of Wendell DeVaughn

Jordan: Passed away 9/30. Member of FIPC. Husband of Rose Jewell-Jordan. Funeral 10/12.

Prayers for all who were impacted by hurricane Helene.

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Thanks to the Pet Blessings Team for a wonderful event.

Blessings and prayers for our church members who are currently undergoing physical therapy and/or are awaiting an operation/procedure.

Ongoing Prayers for:

Gerard Horn, Robert Crawshaw, Monica DeFriese, Sharon Bikle, Jim Milbrand, Fred & Jean Muncert, Cindy Lloyd, James Kilgus, Bridget Kilgus, Barbara Townsend, Bruce McLaren, Sarah Finkle, Gail Diefenderfer, & Ronald Neumann. office, please bring your completed card to worship on Sunday, October 13, to be consecrated. Cards that have already been returned to the church will be put in an envelope and placed on the Communion table for consecration.

HELENE: We are requesting your monetary support for those affected by hurricane Helene. The impact of Helene has been felt across multiple states. With the storm surge, wind damage, and flooding, it is crucial to have the necessary resources to support the many communities that are affected. Helene caused devastating damage in Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, and Tennessee. Your generous gifts will bring hope and encouragement. Funds will be forwarded to the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance program as they assist those in need. If submitting a check, please make it payable to the Church and note "PDA Helene" on the memo line. Special offering envelopes are available at the Mission table in the gathering area. God bless you and thanks for your support of our fellow Americans as they recover from this horrible disaster.

FOOD SALE: November 5th isn't just Election Day, it's the FIPC Food Sale!!!! Come join us for delicious food and sweet treats. The menu items will be: pulled pork bar-b-que, hot dogs, mac-n-cheese, and R&K subs and pretzel sandwiches. For your sweet tooth we will have homemade cookies, brownies, and small loaves of monkey bread. We ask that you pre-order your R&K subs and/or sandwiches. Subs are \$7 each and pretzel sandwiches are \$6 each. An order form will be in the Gathering Area through Sunday, October 20th. You will need to pick up your orders at the church on November 5th. If you are unable to pick up your order, special arrangements can be made. We are also taking pre-orders for the monkey bread. The cost is \$5 a loaf. The order form is also in the Gathering Area. All orders and payment are due by Sunday, October 20th. There are many sign-up sheets in the Gathering Area for the FIPC Food Sale. We need volunteers to:

Donate baked cookies and brownies Help bake the monkey bread on November 4th at 9am Help with the food sale on November 5th Donate food supplies

If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Beck or Cheryl Caplan. Thank you in advance for your support to make this a successful fundraiser to support our church budget.



One: "God accepted us simply because of our faith in Christ," through whom our sins were forgiven.

All: May he help us to continue to "preach peace to those who are near and far." Amen.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Gloria Patri, #581

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.

WE RECEIVE THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12

New Testament, pg. # 218

(Pew Bibles are located under your seats.)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM "Seek Ye First" Chancel Choir K. Lafferty / arr. D. Wagner

SECOND READING

Mark 10:2-16

New Testament, pg. # 46

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Sunday Dinner" Rev. Kristal Smith

*HYMN # 504 We

We Come As Guests Invited

WE PRESENT OURSELVES TO GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

MUSICAL MEDITATION

"Songs without Words, opus 19.1" F. Mendelssohn

*DOXOLOGY

(Hymnal, #606)

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

Break forth in us, Light of peace, Light of the world. May your peace extend from our mouths, from our hearts and from our hands. May our gifts enliven all who work, and dance, and sing, and write, and act, and create peace with us and within us, until it exists, at all times, in all ways. Amen.

LIFT: Plan to get your LIFT (Learning In Faith Together) for the Fall. Our theme for this 6 week cycle will be a study of **The Lord's Prayer as a guide to Biblical Spirituality**. Prayer is the most familiar aspect of spirituality. Using Matthew's scriptural form, the class will examine The Lord's Prayer in the context of both the Old and New Testaments. We will explore how Jesus understood the spirituality he inherited and how that impacts our own spirituality. Rev. Ruth Hope Woodlen will be the class facilitator. Join our discussions at 9:30am in the Nevada Room on Sunday mornings: October 6, 13, 20, 27, November 3, and 10. We need you to LIFT us higher.

FAITH IMMANUEL BOOK CLUB: The book club has chosen, *The Lemon Tree: an Arab, a Jew, and the Heart of the Middle East,* by Sandy Tolan, for its October 16th discussion. It is a non-fiction book that describes how a simple act of faith and the relationship between two families represent a personal microcosm of decades of Israeli-Palestinian history and symbolize the hope for peace in the Middle East. For the November 20 meeting it will be discussing *The Art of Racing in the Rain,* by Garth Stein. It is a novel narrated from the prospective of a dog and explores family, love, loyalty and hope. The Book Club meets at 10:45am, the 3rd Wednesday of every month, in the Zarfoss Library. If you have questions, contact Bonnie Hack at 717-521-3626 or Sue Skelly at 717-234-8035.

THE PARABLES OF JESUS: Jesus communicated deep spiritual truth through simple, vivid and engaging stories. Woven from the stuff of everyday life, the parables of Jesus made the Kingdom of God understandable and accessible to his listeners. In six engaging, interactive sessions, the Deeper Connections DVD will give you new insights into His parables and their meanings that are relevant to your own life. The six sessions are filmed from locations in Israel, the Rocky Mountains, Gloucester Harbor, the California coast, and Chicago's lakefront. Sept. 24, October 1, 8, 15, 22, 20. This Bible Study is led by Karen Schmidt and held on Tuesdays from 10:00-11:30am in the Zarfoss Library.

CROP WALK: Our October Mission A Month is monetary donations for our local CROP Walk organization. Please make your check payable to the Church and note CROP Walk on the memo line. Donations will be accepted until October 31. All monies collected go to eradicating hunger and poverty both locally and world wide. Thanks for your support and may God bless you.

CONSECRATION SUNDAY – October 13: Stewardship is an act of faith that includes being stewards of Faith Immanuel Presbyterian Church which nurtures our faith and the faith of others. Stewardship is faith in action; action motivated by gratitude to God for God's blessings in our life. On Consecration Sunday we will take another step (spiritually and physically) as we offer ourselves and our gifts for God's use. Each of us will have the opportunity in worship to lay our estimate of giving cards on the Communion Table as a tangible witness to our relationship with God and our responsibility to be good stewards. If you have not yet returned your estimate of giving card to the church

6:00pm Cub Scouts Camping Lite & Movie Night: Shaffer Hall & Lawn

SUNDAY, OCT 13

CONSECRATION SUNDAY

9:30am **Deacons:** *Zarfoss Library* 9:30am **LIFT:** Nevada Room 11:00am **Worship**: *Sanctuary* Guest Pastor: Rev. Ruth Woodlen

7:00pm Pack 256 Committee Meeting: Nevada Room

MONDAY, OCT 14

1:30pm Organ Practice: Sanctuary 3:30pm Vocal Choir Rehearsal: Music Room 5:45pm **Bell Choir Rehearsal**: *Music Room* 7:00pm **Stewardship & Finance**: *Zarfoss Library*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

WELCOME: Kristal Smith is a daughter, wife, and mother of grown children who joins us today from Lebanon, PA. After working several years as a Chemical Engineer, Kristal sensed a call to ministry and has since served as an Associate Pastor, Hospital Chaplain, and Visitation Pastor for four Lutheran churches, and now serves as the Presbytery Leader for Governance and Congregational Leadership in Carlislé Presbytery. She loves beholding God's glory expressed in nature, the curiosity of children, the laughter of people, and the compassion of care-givers.

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE: This is a financial picture of our monthly income/expenses.

July:

Income = 14,657.71 Expense = 23,982.54 Difference = (9,324.83)

August:

Income = 19,021.50Expense = 16,534.76Difference = 2,486,74

CHANCEL FLOWERS: Chancel flowers for Oct. 20 are still available. The cost is \$40.

THANKS: Thanks for your generous giving to Christian Churches United. Your donations included the following: 2 laundry baskets/1 cleaning bucket/3containers of all purpose cleaner/7 containers of bathroom cleaner/3 cleaning cloths/2 toilet brushes/6 containers of liquid hand soap/9 containers of laundry detergent/1 bed cover. Your donations were gratefully received. God's blessings to you for your thoughtfulness and kindness in helping those less fortunate.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE - (Please remain in your pew and greet one another by waving to each other.)

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you All: And also with you One: Lift up your hearts

All: We lift them to the Lord

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God All: It is right to give our thanks and praise

One: Let us pray...

One: ... And with all the faithful of every time

and place, Who forever sing to the

alory of your name:

(The people sing, using same tune as Hymn 143, Angels from the Realms of Glory)

> Holy, Holy, Lord most holy, God of power and God of might, Heaven and earth reveal your glory. Hail, hosanna, Lord of Light! Blessed be the coming Savior. Hail, hosanna, Lord of Light!

One: ... we proclaim the mystery of faith: All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND

THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE GO INTO THE WORLD AS CHRIST'S OWN

*HYMN # 625

How Great Thou Art

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hymn # 601 "Amen"

*POSTLUDE "Take the Name of Jesus with You" Baxter / Doane

Liturgy adapted from Steve Garnaas-Holmes and the PC(USA) Peace and Global Witness 2021 resources.

*Indicates where those who are able may stand.

A WARM WELCOME to all who are worshipping with us this morning. It is our hope that you feel the friendliness of our congregation as you worship with us today.

REMINDER: Please silence mobile phones.

PRAYER REQUESTS may be emailed to the church office by Thursday at 2pm for Sunday service. If you have a joy or concern to share for this morning's service, you may fill out a blue prayer card and pass it to the usher during the first hymn.

OUR SERVICES ARE RECORDED ON CDs. If you or someone you know would like to hear these CDs, please contact the Church Office at 717-545-4631.

SANITIZED HEARING DEVICES, LARGE PRINT HYMNALS, AND **BIBLES** are available from ushers. Shawls are also available to borrow from ushers.

DIRECTIONAL SIGNAGE for restrooms, including a handicapped restroom, and worship service Family Quiet Room is posted in the Gathering Area. Please, ask ushers for assistance.

WORSHIP SERVICES ARE LIVESTREAMED. You may appear on camera. Services are recorded on YouTube.

TODAY IN WORSHIP - 11:00 am

Ushers: Ginny Stimmel & Leafie Phillips

Lav Reader: Michelle Beck

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Oct 8: Debbie Kissinger Oct 9: Marcia Shore Oct 10: Linda Graham Oct 13: Susan Anthony



Today's Chancel Flowers are placed by Sherri Linn. "In Loving Memory of Marie Weidenhammer."

UPCOMING AT FAITH IMMANUEL OCTOBER 6 THRU OCTOBER 14

SUNDAY, OCT 6

WORLDWIDE COMMUNION

9:30am **LIFT:** *Nevada Room* 11:00am Worship: Sanctuary

Guest Pastor: Rev. Kristal Smith & Madhu Siwa

MONDAY, OCT 7

10:00am Visitation: Nevada Room

11:00am Celebration of Life of John Bowerman: Sanctuary

Guest Pastor: Rev. Kent Carter Guest Organist: Wanda Beaver

1:30pm **Organ Practice:** Sanctuary 3:30pm **Vocal Choir Rehearsal**: Music Room 5:45pm Bell Choir Rehearsal: *Music Room*

7:00pm Boy Scouts: Nevada Room

TUESDAY, OCT 8

10:00am Adult Bible Study: "The Parables of Jesus":

Zarfoss Library

1:00pm Faithful Stitchers: Zarfoss Library

7:00pm **CCA Meeting**: *Parlor*

WEDNESDAY, OCT 9

10:00am **Garden Club**: Shaffer Hall

7:00pm **Square Dance Club**: *Shaffer Hall*

THURSDAY, OCT 10

12:30pm Hospice Horticulture Therapy: Shaffer Hall 1:00pm Music & Worship: Zarfoss Library

1:00pm **Outreach:** *Parlor*

7:00pm Cub Scouts Den Meetings: Shaffer Hall, Nevada Room,

SATURDAY, OCT 12

11:00am **Visitation**: Nevada Room

12:00pm Celebration of Life of Wendell Jordan: Sanctuary

Guest Pastor: Rev. Dr. John Schmidt 1:00pm Luncheon: Shaffer Hall