

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Please turn to your neighbor and exchange the greeting of peace.

*Gathering Music #388 "Come All You People"

Uyai Mose

Come all you people, come and praise your Maker;

Come all you people, come and praise your Maker;

Come all you people, come and praise your Maker;

Come now and worship the Lord. (2x)

*Call to Worship

One: Is there anyone here who has ever felt scared or worried on a Sunday morning? Were you wondering-will I fit in? Will I be welcome?

Does God still love me? The answer is yes! Come in your suits, your shorts, your flip flops, and your dresses.

All: We are welcome here.

One: Come from your jobs, your shelters, your schools, and your retirement homes.

All: We are welcome here.

One: Come wearing smiles, shedding tears, looking nervous or frightened, and with your anger.

All: We are welcome here.

One: Come with your questions and answers. Come with your prayer requests and answered prayers. Come to sing songs you love and songs others love. Come to hear God's Word as part of this faith community.

All: We are God's beloved. Let us worship our God who loves us just as we are.

*Hymn of Praise #624 "I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art"

Toulon

Invitation to Tell the Truth About Ourselves

God is slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and God's mercy endures to all generations. When we confess our brokenness, God's grace offers us a glimpse of healing. Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, let us confess with open and honest hearts our failure to live up to God's call. Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession

O God, you are hard to pin down. We want to be able to name you and speak of you with certainty, but you are always bigger than our words and faster than our thoughts. Forgive our attempts to control you, and our desire to speak our words on your behalf. Forgive our halfhearted 'yes' and our excuses for saying 'no' to your call. Help us to truly listen to your living word, so that we may fully love as you love and humbly serve as you serve. Amen.

(silence is kept for private confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

One: In the beginning, God breathed life into being, and every morning God's mercies are new. Know that you, child of God, made in God's image, are forgiven, loved and free. Believe and live the good news:

All: God's goodness is planted more deeply than all that is wrong. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

Prayer Response #471 "O Lord, Hear My Prayer"

Hear My Prayer

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

The Word Spoken

In the beginning was the Word

And the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

1 John 4:12-16

Pew Bible, NT, Page 241

The Word with the Children - God Loves You

Anthem "God of Wonders"

By Marc Byrd and Steve Hindalong

Job 38:1-7, 34-41

Pew Bible, OT, Page 484

Psalms 104:1-13, 24-33, 35c

Pew Bible, OT, Page 554

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Word Declared: "Who"

Rev. Karen Ware Jackson

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*Affirmation of Faith *Psalms 139:1-12*

O Lord, you have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away. You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.

Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely. You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.

Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence? If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there. If I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast.

If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light around me become night," even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day for darkness is as light to you.

*Hymn of Response #450 "Be Thou My Vision"

Slane

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

... 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Presentation of Gifts, Tithes, and Offerings

Offertory

By John Chisum and Dwight Liles

"Can He, Could He, Would He, Did He?"

*Doxology #591 "Halle, Halle Hallelujah!"

Halle, halle

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

*Prayer of Dedication

*Closing Hymn #370 "This Is My Father's World"

Terra Beata

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

*Charge

*Benediction

*Postlude

** Please rise in body or spirit*

INFORMATION AND PRAYER LISTS

October 18 – 25

Today:	9:30 A.M.	Sunday School
	10:30 A.M.	Coffee and Conversation
	11:00 A.M.	Worship
Monday:	7:00 P.M.	Bread and Wine with Jesus
Tuesday:	9:30 A.M.	Staff Meeting
	10:00 A.M.	Chair Exercise
	6:30 P.M.	Choir Practice
Wednesday:	2:00 P.M.	Missions Project Meeting
Thursday:	2-3:30 P.M.	Kem Gomo's 100 th Birthday Reception – Friends Home West Living Room
	8:00 P.M.	Narcotics Anonymous
Friday:	8:00 P.M.	Narcotics Anonymous
Sunday:	9:30 A.M.	Sunday School
	10:30 A.M.	Coffee and Conversation
	11:00 A.M.	Worship, Pennies for Hunger
	12:00 P.M.	Fellowship Brunch

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FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRAYER LIST:

Margaret Avent (Rev. Larry Avent's wife)	Harold Henderson
Lois Bazhaw and Family	Judy Herron and Family
Priscilla Christiansen	Sara Kearns
Bertha Collins (Ralph Bazhaw's sister)	Tommy Knight (Betsy Rule's cousin)
Family of Fran Cuthbertson	Marge Mack
Davidson Family (Friends of Karen Ware Jackson)	Gladys Maready (Bonnie Maready's mother-in-law)
Bonnie Evans	Family of Keith McNeal
Kem Gomo	Lisa Moran's Family
'Cile Gorman	Andy Moye
Pat Greeson	Garth Payne
Helen Hall	Georgia Renfrow
	Betty and Jim Rissmiller
	Karen Thomas (Helen Hall's daughter)

Salem Presbytery Church Prayer List

Pine Hall Church, Pine Hall
Red House Church, Semora
Ebenezer Church, Jefferson

Announcements

- **Kem Gomo's** 100th birthday reception will be held Thursday, October 22nd at Friends Home West in the Living Room from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.
- **Mission Project Meeting** - Wednesday, Oct. 21st at 2 p.m. - A small group is gathering discern mission projects for our church. If you have ideas or are interested in being a part of the conversation, please join us! This comes in response to a small group on memory led by Lois Bazhaw. If you are interested in learning about how volunteering can help your memory, ask us!
- **Hearing Loop coming soon!**
A hearing loop is a wire that circles a room and is connected to a sound system. **The loop transmits the sound directly into your hearing aid or cochlear implant eliminating background noise and interference.** To use a hearing loop, you flip on the t-switch on the hearing aid or cochlear implant to activate the telecoil. Usually, no additional receiver or equipment is needed. Call your audiologist if you have questions about using your hearing aid with the loop.
- Make sure to **pick up a *Treasure* daily devotion book** to join our congregation in prayer and study during the first four weeks of November.

- Our church will be compiling an "**Advent of Peace**" devotion book. Sign up to contribute a reflection, memory, poem, prayer or even a drawing! Deadline for handwritten submissions is Nov. 1 and deadline for electronic submissions (preferred) is Nov. 8.
- **Bread and Wine with Jesus** is next meeting at 7 – 8:30 p.m. on Monday, October 19th, Carolyn Campbell's home, (3-A Cactus Court). The reading is Ch. 3 of "Permission Granted."
- **Beautiful Star** - Sunday, Dec. 6, 2pm - Triad Stage
Faith has reserved a block of tickets for this performance about a little church and a Christmas play. Tickets will be \$15 each and additional information about reservations will be coming soon.
- We are **collecting warm clothing** in the narthex to donate. All donations are welcomed and we appreciate your ongoing support of the church's mission!

Do you want to know more about the new life happening at Faith?

“Like” us on Facebook! We post pictures, music, questions, pastor's blogs, and lots of other great stuff on this page!

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Grab a newsletter! You can pick up a current copy of the newsletter on the table in the narthex and can see previous copies on our website.

Join us for our monthly brunch! Every month on the 4th Sunday, we head down to the fellowship hall after worship for yummy food and good conversation.

Pastoral Team

Rev. Karen Ware Jackson, Pastor
Rev. Jim Rissmiller, Pastoral Team
Stephanie Lindley, Music Director
Beverly Lucas, Office Administrator

WELCOME TO FAITH PRESBYTERIAN



“Who”

We embrace inter-generational worship and welcome the giggles, questions, tears, and even shouts that enliven our oh-so-orderly service. We do have a **professionally staffed nursery** available for babies and toddlers, but we encourage our youngest members to learn with and from us throughout the worship service.

There is a “**PrayGround**” available for children and adults at the front of the sanctuary. Feel free to join our young people in their interactive worship activities! **These experiences are great for active learners of all ages, and our children and their parents appreciate your engagement and support.**

We want to be a true family of faith and that means celebrating the gifts, questions, and talents of each of our members from young in age to young at heart!

October 18th, 2015
11:00 A.M.

Service for the Lord's Day
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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