

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;

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Come now and worship the Lord. (2x)

* Call to Worship

poem by Jan Richardson

Leader: The table will be wide, and the welcome will be wide, and the arms will open wide to gather us in. And our hearts will open wide to receive.

People: And we will come as children who trust there is enough.

And we will come unhindered and free.

Leader: And our aching will be met with bread.

And our sorrow will be met with wine.

People: And we will open our hands to the feast without shame.

And we will turn toward each other without fear.

And we will give up our appetite for despair.

And we will taste and know of delight.

Leader: And we will become bread for a hungry world. And we will become drink for those who thirst. And the blessed will become the blessing.

People: And everywhere will be the feast.

WE PRAISE GOD

* Hymn of Praise #525 “Let Us Break Bread Together”

Let Us Break Bread

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, who made covenant with our ancestors, we gather here today as a rebellious people. We want to act out your intentions for us, but we get sidetracked by the false glitter of the world. You tell us to honor Creation but we use other people, animals, and plants for our own gain. You offer bread to every living creature, and we steal that bread from our brothers and sisters in the name of greed. You promise us new life, but we shrink back in fear, clinging to our death-dealing ways. Heal us, O Lord, lest we destroy ourselves and the planet. We need your healing presence among us, that your good intentions for all of creation might be fulfilled at last. Through Jesus Christ we pray, Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: Hear the good news of the gospel.

People: 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.

John 1:1-5

Pew Bible, NT, Page 91

Genesis 1:1-5

Pew Bible, OT, Page 1

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Word Declared: “Old Turtle”

Elder, Ralph Bazhaw

Anthem “I See You in Me”

by Gbenga Adenuga

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Let us pray. The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise for you looked upon all your hands wrought and called it good. You smile upon purple mountains soaring above wildflower plains, where grasses raise their backs to meet your Spirit’s caress. You send clouds scuttling across reflective waters and set stars to wink upon the earth in deep, knowing delight. You call the tune for dolphins dancing in the play of waves. As giraffes amble across savannahs, birds sing in full-throated praise and children of various hues giggle as they run free in your image.

Despite your created goodness, we use our freedom for ourselves alone without regard for your intentions for all. Still, you chase after us to save us from sin’s harm, freeing us from slavery to give us a new world flowing with milk and honey.

Therefore we gladly join our voices to the song of the church on earth, and in heaven:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed are you, O Christ, for coming to us as a little child to live baptized in the muck of our fallen world. When threatened with the terror of crucifixion, you did not keep silent but stood up - with resurrection new life -to turn the bread of human affliction into manna from heaven, and to turn the bitter dregs of sin into the cup of joyful celebration.

So as we await your coming among us in the fullness of your glory, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

Praised be you, Holy Spirit. Come hover over us now with your bright brooding wings - in the breaking of bread and in the celebration of this cup - that our eyes may be opened to recognize Christ among us and in all who share in this feast.

Fill us like breath fills flutes to be instruments of your peace.

Where there is lack of regard for your creation

Prod us to speak up.

Where people fail to see the dignity of all persons,

Open blind eyes.

Where there is silence about others being hurt,

Impassion us with a desire for justice.

Lord, your creation groans under abuse. Renew the earth with goodness. Your children are starving across this globe. To those who hunger

Give bread.

And to those who have bread

Give hunger for justice.

People languish in prisons, some unjustly, some without repentance, and some for standing up for your Way.

Release the captives, Lord.

O God, our Sovereign, leaders in all lands take bribes and afflict their peoples.

Topple oppressive powers with your rule and send the rich empty away.

Your church luxuriates in the comfort of faith;

Send us to be your servants in service to the world.

The sick suffer forgotten in pain

Heal their hurts in body, mind, and spirit.

People have solicited our prayers and others needing our prayers weigh heavy on our hearts so we offer these, our prayers to you:

Gather all these prayers and praise and join them with those of all the saints - and with our Great High Priest who taught us to pray, saying . . . **Our Father . . .**

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.

Words of Institution

*Communion #595 “Santo, Santo, Santo”

Argentine Santo

Holy, holy, holy. My heart, my heart adores you!

My heart knows how to say to you: you are holy, Lord!

Santo, santo, santo. Mi corazon te adora!

Mi corazon te sabe decir: Santo eres, Señor!

Prayer After the Meal

In gratitude, in deep gratitude for this moment, this meal, these people, we give ourselves to you. Take us out to live as changed people because we have shared the Living Bread, and cannot remain the same. Ask much of us, expect much from us, enable much by us, encourage many through us. So Lord, may we live to your glory, both as inhabitants of earth and citizens of the commonwealth of heaven. Amen.

Presentation of Gifts, Tithes, and Offerings

Offertory “Table of Grace”

by Connie Harrington & Anna Hutto

*Doxology #591 “Halle, Halle Hallelujah!” *Halle, halle*
 Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!
 Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

*Prayer of Dedication

*Closing Hymn #765 “May the God of Hope Go with Us” 2x *Argentina*

WE GO IN GOD’S NAME

* Charge

* Benediction

*Postlude

** Please rise in body or spirit*

INFORMATION AND PRAYER LISTS

October 4 – 11

Today:	9:30 A.M.	New Member Class
	9:30 A.M.	Sunday School
	10:30 A.M.	Coffee and Conversation
	11:00 A.M.	Worship & Communion
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
Thursday:	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

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRAYER LIST:

Lois Bazhaw and Family	Sara Kearns
Priscilla Christiansen	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
Harold Henderson	Betty and Jim Rissmiller
Judy Herron and Family	Karen Thomas (Helen Hall’s daughter)

Salem Presbytery Church Prayer List

Dellabrook Church, Winston-Salem
 First Presbyterian, Salisbury
 Speedwell Church, Reidsville

Announcements

- **Bread and Wine with Jesus** is next meeting at 7 – 8:30 p.m. on Monday, October 5th at Karen's house, 4405 Burning Tree Dr. and the reading is Ch. 1 and 2 of “Permission Granted.”
- **Women’s Circle** will meet Tuesday, October 13th at 11:00 a.m. to begin the “Come to the Waters” study.
- **Choir Practices** have been moved to Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.
- We are **collecting warm clothing** to donate in the narthex. Socks in particular are among the least donated but desperately needed items for those in precarious situations. All donations are welcomed and we appreciate your ongoing support of the church’s mission!
- **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.

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Pastoral Team

Rev. Karen Ware Jackson, Pastor
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WELCOME TO FAITH PRESBYTERIAN



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 4th, 2015 Service for the Lord’s Day
11:00 A.M. 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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