



Dream of Jacob, oil on canvas  
He Qi, Chinese, (b. 1951)

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 24, 2017

10:45 a.m.

**WORDS OF WELCOME – Welcome to Faith Church;** we are glad you are here.  
*Infant and childcare (through preschool) are provided all morning in the nursery, the second room on the right through the door by the pulpit. Children through the age of 4 may proceed to the childcare room following the “Moment with Faith Kids” for the remainder of the service.*  
*Worship Bags are available in the back pews of the sanctuary.*

## THE CHURCH GATHERS

*The candle is lit as a symbol of our prayers for peace.*

### Words of Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Christa Fuller Burns

### Minute for Mission

Mary Hodgson

Peace and Global Witness Gifts Multiply Efforts to Welcome Refugees

### Prelude *Andante cantabile*

Charles-Marie Widor  
(1844-1937)

*\*Please, stand if you are able.*

*(The congregation will read the words in bold.)*

### \*Call to Worship **We Are Standing on Holy Ground**

HOLY GROUND

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: We are stand - ing on ho - ly ground, and I know that there are an - gels all a - round; let us praise Je - sus now; we are stand - ing in his pres - ence on ho - ly ground.

### \*Hymn 409 **God Is Here!**

ABBOTT'S LEIGH

### Prayer of Confession

Andy Fuller

**God of love and tenderness, you call us from the chaos of our lives, as we are, with all our hopes and fears and preoccupations with worldly things. Forgive us for all the opportunities we miss, for wasting our gifts and our time, for simply being too busy to do the things that are truly important. Remind us of your love and tender mercy so that we are empowered to change those things in our lives that need to be changed. Amen.**

*Silence is observed.*

## Assurance of Pardon

Andy Fuller

The good news is this: there is no place we can go where God will not find us. In the privacy of our homes, on the busy streets of the city, or in the middle of nowhere fast asleep, God will find us and remind us that God is with us. God will keep us wherever we go. God will bring us home.

### \*Sung Response 582 Glory to God

GLORY TO GOD

1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,  
2 World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,  
World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.  
World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

### \*The Peace of Christ

Andy Fuller

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

### TO PROCLAIM AND EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

#### Moment with Faith Kids

Rev. Burns

#### Prayer for Illumination

Andy Fuller

May we hear you speaking to us, living God, whether we are sitting in a pew or wandering in the desert or alone in the middle of night. Amen.

#### Lesson Genesis 27:1-4, 15-23; 28:10-17

Andy Fuller

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

#### Sermon

"Motel 6...Revisited"

Rev. Burns

\*Hymn All Night, All Day

ALL NIGHT, ALL DAY

G G C  
 All night, all day. An - gels watch - ing o - ver  
 C D G G  
 me, my Lord. All night, all day.  
 Bm C D G G  
 An - gels watch - ing o - ver me. Day is dy - ing  
 G C  
 in the west. An - gels watch - ing o - ver  
 C D G  
 me, my Lord. Sleep, my child, and  
 G Bm C D G  
 take your rest. An - gels watch - ing o - ver me.

All night, all day...

All night, all day...

Now I lay me down to sleep.  
 Angels watching over me, my Lord.  
 Pray the Lord my soul to keep  
 Angels watching over me.

If I die before I wake.  
 Angels watching over me, my Lord.  
 Pray the Lord my soul to take  
 Angels watching over me.

All night, all day...

**Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer**

Rev. Burns

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever.**

**OFFERING**

**Offertory We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder**

arr. Joe Cox  
 (b. 1954)

We are climbing Jacob's ladder. Followers of the cross. Ev'ry round goes higher.  
 Sinner, do you love my Jesus? If you love him, why not serve him?

**\*Doxology**

OLD HUNDREDTH

Musical score for the Doxology 'Old Hundredth'. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are: 'Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise Christ, all peo - ple here be - low; Praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more; Praise Tri - une God, whom we a - dore. A - men.'

**Offering Prayer**

**TO GO FORTH INTO THE WORLD TO SERVE IN CHRIST'S NAME**

**\*Hymn 731** Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith Is Firm

REPTON

**\*Benediction**

Rev. Burns

Know that the God of Jacob is with us and will keep us wherever we go. God will not leave us until God has fulfilled God's promises to us. God will deliver us and give us peace. Amen.

*The service concludes with the following postlude.  
Please maintain a worshipful silence.*

**Postlude** *Allegro Moderato*

John Stanley  
(1712-1786)

**LEADING WORSHIP TODAY**

**Rev. Christa Fuller Burns, Pastor**  
**Dr. Samuel Springer, Minister of Music and Organist.**  
**Andy Fuller, Liturgist**  
**The Chancel Choir**

# FAITH FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Concert Committee Meeting** *Today immediately following worship*

**Sunday Adult Forum** 9:15 a.m. – Woodmont Room

**October Topics** How to Cope in Stressful Times.

1 – Music Therapy, Brianna Brophy MT-BC

8 – Yoga, Rev. Gretchen van Utt

15 – Pastoral Care, Deb Colmers

22 – Poetry, Susan Johnston

29 – Activism, City Councilman Zeke Cohen

**Wednesday Bible Study:** 11:00 a.m. – Woodbourne Room, all are welcome. Join us for lively discussion on the upcoming Sunday lesson. No preparation is required.

**September 27** Exodus 2:23-25, 28:10-17

**October 4** Exodus 16:1-18

**Book Club Alert** *Monday, September 25*

Book Club will meet at the home of the Nesbitts. Our theme for this year is "Flight." At our September meeting, we will be discussing Barbara Kingsolver's book *Flight Behavior*. Our discussions are fun and thought provoking. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact Pat Nesbitt.

**Officer Training for Elders & Deacons** *Saturday, September 30, 9am-3pm*

Uptown Metro (which is what we call the collective efforts of Presbyterian churches in this part of Baltimore) will provide a leadership training workshop for elders and deacons on September 30 - 9-3PM - at Central Presbyterian Church. Lunch will be provided. All active elders and deacons are encouraged to attend.

**GEDCO's CARES Pantry Alert**

The Pantry is running low on the following items: spaghetti sauce, canned salmon, canned meat, and pasta. Your donation, large or small, of any non-perishable food will make a difference. Please leave your donation in the narthex.

**Habitat Work Days** *Saturday October 28*

Chesapeake Habitat for Humanity has scheduled volunteers to work at the McCabe housing site where we have been involved in the past. If you are interested in volunteering for a little home construction (deconstruction?) on either of these dates, please contact **Susan Minor**. Please consider lending your sweat, muscle, and love in an extremely worthwhile and satisfying project.

**Annual Health Fair** *Saturday, October 8, 10:00 – 1:00*

The Loch Raven Churches, in conjunction with MedStar Good Samaritan Hospital, are hosting their annual health fair at Mt. Zion Baptist Church. Free flu shots and screenings, health & wellness information, healthy snacks and giveaways.

**Joys and Concerns** may be written before the service in a special book in the narthex. The book will be brought to the minister before the prayer.

**Please pray for our homebound members:**

Christian Dunyoh  
Nancy Stutzer

Mildred Miller  
Betty Lou Tampieri

Esmie & Leon Stirling  
Dot Weller

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### Session

Mike Billings, Clerk

2018	2019	2020
Ellsworth Jackson	Kay Ballard	Mike Billings
Pat Nesbitt	Andy Fuller	Scott Bissett
Judy Sperling	Neil Nemser	Bobby Hall
Krista Wallace	Randy Woodfield	Carl Herber

### Deacons

Dawn Shirey, Moderator

2018	2019	2020
Anna Burns	Ken Archie	Chandra Jackson
Gail Poorbaugh	Karen Burd	Susan Minor
Dawn Shirey	Mary Hodgson	
	Robin Nemser	

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