

7th Sunday after Pentecost
July 12, 2026



“Homeless Christ,” Kelly Latimore, oil on canvas, KellyLatimoreicons.com

Welcome to worship at Faith Presbyterian Church!

We are glad you are joining us this morning. Whoever you are, wherever you come from, whomever you love, whatever your faith or your doubt, we welcome all whom God welcomes, and that means you. As we begin our time together, take a few deep breaths and settle in, to make the transition from getting here to being here, and to prepare your mind and body for worship.

Faith Presbyterian Church ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Cat Goodrich

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRELUDE *Prelude, Organ book*

Jean Langlaise
(1907-1991)

* Please rise in body or in spirit

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, faithful ones! Bring your joy, and sing praises to God.

We come with joy to worship!

Come, faithful ones! Bring your needs, and pray for God's provision.

We come with our needs to worship.

Come, faithful ones! Bring your whole selves, and be open to hearing God's word.

We come with open hearts and open hands to worship.

*HYMN 795 *Healer of Our Every Ill*

HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all life, we are ashamed to admit how often we are not content with the simple gifts you offer and the lives to which you call us. Tempted by everything, we find it easy to overlook those who have nothing. Ever in pursuit of more, we find it difficult to know what is enough. Forgive us! Remind us of your abundance, that we might meet others with an open hand instead of a closed fist, and be ready to share with generosity and joy. We open our hearts to you in silent prayer...

KYRIE 285 *Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song*

BRIDEGROOM

With the healing of division,
With the ceaseless voice of prayer,
With the power to love and witness,
With the peace beyond compare.
Come, Holy Spirit, Come.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

*GLORIA 388 *Come All You People*

UYAI MOSE

Come all you people,
Come and praise your maker (x3),
Come now and worship the Lord!

*PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you...

... and also with you.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

MOMENT WITH FAITH KIDS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

HEBREW BIBLE READING, Amos 6:1, 4-7

Woe to those who are at ease in Zion
and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria,
the notables of the first of the nations,
to whom the house of Israel resorts!

Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory
and lounge on their couches
and eat lambs from the flock
and calves from the stall,
who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp
and like David improvise on instruments of music,
who drink wine from bowls
and anoint themselves with the finest oils
but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!
Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile,
and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

NEW TESTAMENT READING, Luke 16:19-31

“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.’ But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things and Lazarus in like manner evil things, but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ He said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house – for I have five brothers – that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ He said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.’ He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’ ”

For the wisdom we find in this ancient story,
Thanks be to God.

SERMON *Perplexing Texts: The Rich Man and Poor Lazarus*

Rev. Cat Goodrich

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***HYMN 824** *There is a Place of Quiet Rest*

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INVITATION TO THE OFFERING *If you wish to contribute online, please scan the QR code with your mobile device to be directed to Faith's online giving site.*



OFFERTORY *Variation IX "Nimrod"*

Enigma Variations, Op. 36. Edward Elgar
(1857-1934)

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

SENDING GOD'S PEOPLE INTO THE WORLD

***HYMN 764** *For the Troubles and the Sufferings*
MUNDO

PELAS DORES DESTE

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE *Verset I, "In the Glory of the Invalides"*

Marcel Dupre
(1886-1971)

Leading Worship Today

Rev. Cat Dodson Goodrich, *Pastor*

Ola Oladipupo, *Guest Organist*

Nell Fultz, *Deacon of the Day*

Audrey Trapp, *Liturgist*

The Chancel Choir

Delvena Brown, *Usher*

Dawn Shirey, *Zoom Moderator & PowerPoint*

Andy Fuller, *Audio/Camera*

This week we pray for:

Faith's homebound members and those receiving long-term care. All those who suffer from war and disaster.
Our partners in Cuba Undocumented immigrants

WELCOME to Faith Presbyterian Church. If you are visiting with us this morning, we hope you find our worship to be meaningful - your presence enriches our community. If you are seeking a church home, we hope you will return soon so that we might get to know you better. To learn about ways to get engaged in the life of Faith, check out our website, www.faithpcbalt.org, and speak with our pastor, Rev. Cat Goodrich, cgoodrich@faithpcbalt.org.

Kids are WELCOME at Faith! Children are welcome in worship, but if you need it, there is also a caregiver in the nursery, just out the door nearest the pulpit. On the first Sunday of the month, children are encouraged to stay in worship for the whole service, to share in the sacrament of communion. Church school for K-2 and 3-5 grades will be held all other Sundays following the Time with Faith Kids in the classrooms on the third floor.

When in the sanctuary, children six and under are invited to worship in the **Prayground** at the front of the sanctuary. The Prayground has quiet activities and books to keep hands busy so ears can listen. It's close to the action so that our youngest members can experience the beauty of worship in a space that's just for them.

The Wednesday Bible Study will take a break for July and August. See you in September!

Fresh Eggs from Beaver Moon Farm are for sale to benefit the **Bread Fund!** \$5/dozen for delicious, pasture-raised eggs. All proceeds will be given to the Bread Fund, to feed hungry people both here and in Cuba. Please give cash to Scott McGill or pay via Venmo: @Scott-McGill21.

Sunday Forum: The Forum is taking a break until September. Instead, please join our centering prayer circle on Sundays in June, from 10-10:30am in the chapel with time for silent prayer and shared reflection.

School supplies are needed for students in the tutoring program of the IOSC. See the list in the News and Notes and bring your donations to the box in the narthex or to the church office.

PERPLEXING TEXTS

Witches, Bears, and Boils...Oh My!

Join us this summer as we wrestle with confusing, challenging, and downright strange passages of scripture. If the Bible is indeed a living document, can even the texts of terror shed light and bring hope to our troubled times? Tune in to find out!

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| July 5 | When is it Okay to Lie?
Judith 13:1-14 |
| July 12 | The Rich Man and Poor Lazarus
Luke 16:19-31 |
| July 19 | Parable of the Talents
Matthew 25:14-30 |
| Aug 9 | Girls just wanna have FUNdamental rights
Ephesians 5:22-6:9 |

Have a passage to suggest?
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