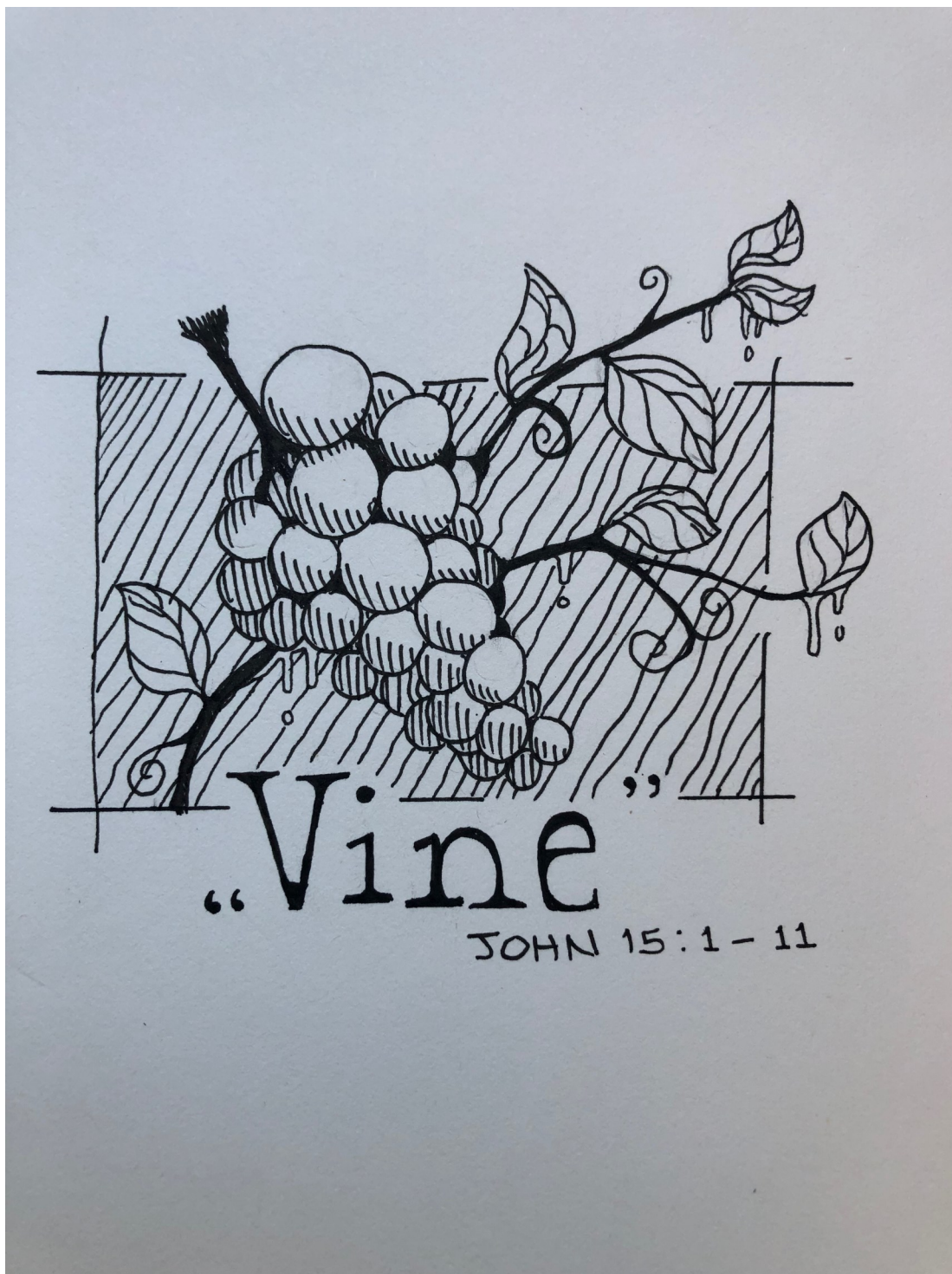


# W CELEBRATION OF ORSHIP

5th Sunday  
of Easter  
May 17, 2020



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## Prelude

## Welcome and Announcements

Brad Clayton

## Call to Worship *(responsive)*

NeiAshia Griffin

Jesus is all-powerful, everlasting, and the greatest of all time!

**We are called to follow in His footsteps.**

Jesus responds to our faults with forgiveness.

**We are called to forgive like Jesus.**

Jesus responds to suffering with compassion.

**We are called to have compassion like Jesus.**

Jesus responds to anxiety with peace.

**We are called to make peace like Jesus.**

Jesus responds to our needs with sacrifice.

**We are called to live sacrificially like Jesus.**

Jesus, You are the Vine.

**We are the branches.**

**Let us worship, serve, and proclaim the love of God that binds us together.**

## \*Hymn No. 301

*Let Us Build A House*

## Call to Confession

Isabel Morris

## Prayer of Confession

God, we do one thing after another that pulls us farther and farther away from You. We do one thing after another that pulls us farther away from our Creator and one another. We often think we are getting away with it and can live without God or our community, but the truth is that we are really in a downward spiral that leads us nowhere. This pulling away does nothing but pull us down into despair, isolation, and helplessness.

*(silent confession)*

Help us to turn to You, O God. Remind us that we need You and one another.

## Declaration of Pardon

**\*Gloria Patri**

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.

**Prayer With Our Young Disciples**

Mitchell Guse

**Prayer for Illumination**

Madeline Feiock

**Scripture Reading**

John 15:1-11

Austin Banyas

The Gospel of our Lord.  
Praise to You, O Christ.

**Meditation**

Collin Barber

**Meditation**

Keagan Barrett

**Meditation**

Madelyn York

**Call to Offering**

Brad Clayton

**Offertory**

*Bind Us Together*

Avery Howard

**Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer**

Hunt Deison, Preston Dailey,  
Cassidy Bonn, Savannah Bonn,  
Avery Howard, Jack Beard

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.

**\*Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ all people  
here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore. Praise Triune God, whom  
we adore. Amen.

## Blessing of the Graduates

If the church does not provide a sense of identity, who will?

We are blinded by many lights, telling us what to do, what to buy, what to be. We need a clear sense of God's will for us, and to feel and see ourselves as God's children.

If the church does not provide a sense of leadership, who will?

There are too many wanderers in the world, people without a sense of hope or a loving place to come home to. We need to welcome them for who they are and what they bring, giving them the feeling and knowledge that they really belong.

## Graduate Charge

Go in peace. Go in love. Go and follow.

Go in peace. Go in love. Go and serve others.

Go in peace. Go in love. Go in the spirit of Christ.

## Graduate Commissioning

As you begin this new chapter of life, let this blanket serve as a symbol of the continuing embrace of your parents, the unwavering care and support of this congregation, and the steadfast love of Christ.

\*Hymn No. 308

*Blest Be the Tie that Binds*

Benediction

Brad Clayton

*The sanctuary flowers are in honor of John Scott Dailey II and Preston Dailey, and in memory of Dr. John Scott Dailey by the Dailey Family.*

*Thank You to all of you who serve the youth of this congregation as Youth Leaders, Sunday School Teachers, Mentors, Chaperones on Youth Trips, Prayer Partners, Cooks, Bible Study Leaders, Parents, Youth & Families Committee Members. Service Project Coordinators and the many more who love and pray for our young people.*

# Our High School Graduates



**Austin Banyas**, son of Sherri and Mike Banyas, is graduating from Leon High School and plans to pursue marketing in college.

*Throughout the many years I've been at Faith there has yet to be a bad one. I couldn't think of a more welcoming place. It has allowed me to be able to grow in many different ways and shape me into the person I am today. I can't be any more grateful for all the people I have met and interacted with and created relationships with because I realize that's what I value the most in my life. Because if it wasn't for all these people and interactions I wouldn't be at the point where I am today. The last couple of months threw everything off balance and when I say everything I mean everything. These tough times have really allowed me to reflect on myself more than I ever have before in my life. It made me realize that all of this has been a blessing in disguise*

*because being able to learn from this now allows me to better myself in the future. I feel like we tend to get too caught up in our routines and zone out and don't realize how quickly something could change in your life. I will never take anything for granted anymore because this situation has given me a completely different perspective on life. If we can continue to spread love and stay positive through these dark times all of us will come out of it for the better. And I will always know that if I ever need anything I can come to Faith.*

**Collin Barber**, son of Jon and Sara Barber, is graduating Summa Cum Laude from Leon High School and plans to attend the University of Central Florida. At Leon, Collin played soccer and participated with Lions United and the Pierian Honors Society.

*I want to thank my Church family for helping me grow in faith and character throughout the years, and for always being there with open arms to welcome me. I hope to represent the Church well in these next few years of my life and to continue growing in faith.*



**Keagan Barrett**, daughter of Laura and Tom Barrett, is graduating from Lincoln High School and is attending Florida State University. At Lincoln, she was best and brightest for World Language, National Honors Society all four years, and captain of the Lincoln Swim Team.

*I want to thank all of the members of this church who have helped me grow so much over these last 8 years. Through smiles, pats on the back, easy conversations and hard ones, laughs, and even tears you have shown me unconditional love like no other. Pushing me every step of the way to be a better daughter, friend, and child of God. It's scary to think about moving on to this next part of my life filled with so much uncertainty, but I know that through God I can do all things and I will always have Faith Presbyterian to come home to. Although this*

*was not the Baccalaureate Sunday I expected to have, I am so blessed by all of the outpouring of love I have received and am looking forward to the day we can all be together again even more.*





**Jack Beard**, son of Karen and Tim Beard, is graduating from Chiles High School, where he was a Lacrosse player. Jack has enlisted in the Army and leaves mid-June for Fort Jackson, SC.



**Cassidy Bonn**, daughter of Dr. Mark Bonn and Alice Englert Bonn, is graduating from Florida State University School (Florida High), where she was on the Honor Roll for Florida High and TCC. Cassidy has acquired over 500 community service hours during her time in high school, through her involvement in multiple clubs and organizations. She was a member of National Honor Society, Secretary of Student Council, a member of the Certified Nursing Assistants program, a Florida High cheerleader for seven years and a five-time State Finalist. Cassidy was also Founder and President of the Students Against Destructive Decisions (S.A.D.D.) chapter at Florida High, an Executive Board member for Florida High's Dance Marathon, Assistant Editor of the *Tomahawk Talk* newspaper and a member of Key Club and Quill & Scroll. Cassidy was a Best & Brightest recipient for the Journalism category and received a scholarship from the University of Central Florida for her academics. Cassidy will attend the University of Central Florida, in Orlando, for nursing, with 15 credits from TCC Dual Enrollment.

*I want to thank my church family at Faith Presbyterian for their continual love and support. Thank you for making Faith Presbyterian a warm and familiar place for me. I am grateful for each and every one of the members who watched me grow into the person I am today. Your kindness and generosity will always stay with me. I am lucky to count on Faith as a home away from home.*

**Savannah Bonn**, daughter of Dr. Mark Bonn and Alice Englert Bonn, is graduating from Florida State University School (Florida High), where she was on the Varsity Girls Golf team for seven years, the Editor-In-Chief and Photo Editor of the Renegade Yearbook, Secretary and Public Relations Officer of the National Honor Society, member of Rho Kappa Honor Society, and member of Quill and Scroll Honor Society, She was also the Student-Athlete-Representative of the Student Advisory Athletic Committee, member of the K-Mentor Program, and member of the Journalism Staff. Savannah won two Florida Scholastic Press Association All-Florida titles. For golf, she earned Honorable Mention and Second Team All-Big Bend, and has two District Championship titles. She plans to go to the University of Central Florida, majoring in Biology, in the summer.



*Thank you to everyone in the church that has continued to welcome and accept me for as long as I can remember. Thank you for always supporting me and carrying me through life in prayer. I'm glad to say I looked toward you for guidance during my years at Faith.*



**Preston Brady Dailey**, son of Charlie and Sharon Dailey, is graduating from Chiles High School, where he was academic honors 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2020, with an overall GPA of 3.81. He was a Boys State Delegate and currently works at the Garnet & Gold store. Preston plans to attend FSU in the fall.

*Philippians 4:13 "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."*

**Thomas "Hunt" Deison Jr.**, son of Tom and Allison Deison, is graduating from Maclay School, where he was the Online Editor in Chief of the school newspaper; Student Council President; cross country/track; basketball; and National Honor Society. Hunt plans to attend FSU Honors Program.

*I want to thank the congregation for being so open, loving, embracing, and faithful. Faith has been a beautiful and wonderful place for me to worship throughout high school, and I especially appreciate everyone sending cards to help pick me up during this crazy end to senior year. I have some amazing memories, including the mission trip to Key West in 2018, where I grew closer to some amazing people in the congregation - I will never forget that. I always know I'm welcome at Faith, and I can't wait to see everyone when we're able to congregate again.*



**Madeline Feiock**, daughter of Ruth and Rick Feiock, is graduating Magna Cum Laude from Leon High School, where she received numerous scholarships and awards for her volunteer work with the adoption of an annual LCS District Wide Voter Registration Drive, including the 2019-2020 Outstanding School Volunteer Award Finalist for Leon County Public Schools, the "Trailblazer" Award by the Oasis Center for Women and Girls, and many others. Madeline plans to attend FSU and major in Nursing.

*Although, I am relatively new to Faith Presbyterian Church, I have always felt welcomed by everyone. The services, particularly the sermons, resonate with me, even now when they are online. I am so thankful for my church family and friends who have been supportive and who have encouraged me during these stressful COVID-19 time. I enjoy watching the online service and seeing positive social media posts. I am thankful to Mrs. Guse who reaches out to make us feel safe during these uncertain times.*





**NeiAshia Griffin**, daughter of Ashley Leland, is graduating from Leon High School, where she was a member of Mu Alpha Theta. She plans to attend TCC for two years, then transfer to FSU, majoring in Health Science.

*I would like to thank my Faith family for giving me such an amazing 9+ years. Because of Faith Pres, I've grown spiritually, experienced things that I once never knew existed and met some of the greatest best friends that I could never imagine forgetting. Faith has opened numerous doors and given so many opportunities to my family that I will cherish and be forever grateful for. I've met some of the best adults and mentors that have guided me along my faith journey and because of this, I feel more confident than ever in my forthcoming.*

**Mitch Guse**, son of Matt and Shannon Guse, is graduating from Leon High School with distinction, where he was Captain of the Basketball Team and named All Big Bend Boys Basketball Honorable Mention. He plans to attend Florida State University to major in Political Science, where he will be part of the Global and Public Affairs Living Learning Community in Dorman Hall.

*I'd like to thank each and every person who was involved with me growing up in this church. It has been a huge part of my life and I wouldn't have wanted to do it with any other family.*



**Avery Howard**, daughter of Matt and Laura Howard, is graduating with distinction from Leon High School, where she was involved in chorus, SGA, and steel drums. She plans to row for Clemson University and major in Sports Marketing and Management.

*I would like to thank the church for helping me throughout my whole life, the kind hearts and smiling faces of everyone has really helped me through the ups and downs of life. A special thanks to Shannon Guse for helping me so much along the way. She is truly one of the strongest people I know.*

**Isabel Morris**, daughter of Jennifer Morris, is graduating Summa Cum Laude from Leon High School, where she received a leadership award for soccer, Pierian National Honor Society, Science Honor Society, English Honor Society, Lions United Co-President, Licensed Adult and Community Mentor, and Yearbook Editor. She plans to attend the University of Florida in the fall.

*Thank you Faith Presbyterian for giving me a sense of community.*







**Joseph Torrescano**, son of Stacey and Bob Torrescano, is graduating from Leon High School. He plans to attend TCC and FSU in pursuit of a career in software engineering.

*Some of my earliest memories are with my church family. I appreciate all of the guidance I have received over the years, and will bring the many lessons I have learned with me.*

**Malik Woody**, son of Dwayne Alan and Malukah Woody, is graduating from Florida Youth Challenge Academy and also attended Florida High. He was 2019 Senior Elect, Student Government Association, 2018-19 Section Leader, Florida High Marching Braves, 2017– 19, Best Delegate USA/Japan, Model United Nations, 2017-18 National Junior Art Society Inductee. Malik plans to pursue a degree in Education and become a high school teacher.

*Thank you to my Faith Presbyterian family for your love and support.*



**Madelyn York**, daughter of Shaun and Laura York, is graduating from Lincoln High School, where she was a member of the National Honor Society, a leader of Fellowship of Christian Athletes and on the morale board for Lincoln's Dance Marathon. She swam for the Area Tallahassee Aquatic Club (ATAC) and was on the Lincoln Swim Team for four years. Madelyn served as co-captain for Lincoln's swim team this year and was a member of the state swim team her senior year and landed an 8th place finish at the state high school meet. She plans to swim for the University of North Florida.

*Faith has been like a second home to me throughout grade school. This community has provided me with friendships and guidance that will last forever. I am very grateful for all the unconditional love that has been given to me and all the*

*memories that I will never forget. Thank you everyone in the Faith family who has helped see me through this journey.*



# Our College Graduates



**Ruth Bedell** graduated with a Ph.D. in Industrial & Organizational Psychology from Keiser University in Ft Lauderdale in December 2019. Her dissertation research investigated the relationship between emotional intelligence and workplace bullying and the moderating role of gender. As an industrial & organizational psychologist, Ruth founded a consulting business, Ruth Bedell LLC, to "guide individuals, teams, and organizations to reach their full potential." She currently works for the Association of Independent Funeral Directors of Florida.

*Thank you church family and friends for your wonderful love, encouragement, and support during my doctoral journey. thank you for being there not just for me, but also for my son Karl, while I pursued my doctorate degree.*



**John Scott Dailey**, son of Charlie and Sharon Dailey, is graduating from Troy University (Troy, Alabama) with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science and Minor in Leadership. He was in Sigma Chi Fraternity, Student Government Association Senator and Pre-Law Society Member. He plans to start law school in the fall.

*Isaiah 40:31 - "But those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint."*

**Nathan Davis** graduated Magna Cum Laude from Florida State University with a Bachelor of Science majoring in Political Science and minoring in Urban and Regional Planning.

*Thank you for welcoming me to Faith Presbyterian. Your hospitality has really made me feel a part of the Tallahassee community!*



**Matthieu Fredrickson**, son of Bill Fredrickson and Suzanne Rita Brynes, graduated with a Master of Science in Elementary Education at FSU.





**Andrew Gardner** graduated from Florida State University College of Arts & Sciences with a Ph.D. in Religion. He is currently undecided about his future plans.

**Bert Givens** graduated from Florida State University College of Law with a Juris Doctorate and plans to stay in Tallahassee and work after passing the Bar exam.



**Rachel Givens** graduated from Florida University College of Law with a Juris Doctorate and plans to work at Pennington, PA in Tallahassee.



**Emily Green** graduated Summa Cum Laude from Presbyterian College with Honors in Political Science. She received the Outstanding Senior in Political Science Award and the Joseph O. Nixon Leadership Award. She was also a member of Pi Sigma Alpha and President of Omicron Delta Kappa. Over the summer Emily will be pursuing an internship to teach English to immigrants and refugees, and will be attending Elon School of Law in the fall as a Leadership Fellow.

**Bryson Turner**, son of Stephanie and Matt Turner, graduated from Florida State University with a Commercial and Entrepreneur Business Degree.



**Matt Sanford** graduated from Auburn University with a major in Anthropology.

*Thank you for providing a community and environment that allowed me to grow as a person even as I was experiencing a difficult time in my life.*



**Thank you for joining us for worship today!**

**Coming up:**

**(for full details please visit [www.faithpcusa.org/upcoming-events](http://www.faithpcusa.org/upcoming-events))**

- ◆ **This Week at Faith.** Due to COVID-19, we are not currently having any in-person meetings at Faith. Updates are posted on the website and by email as they become available. The church staff are working from home; please feel free to contact them via email or cell phones.
- ◆ **Sunday School Online.** While we are not meeting in person, did you know we are offering Sunday School classes on line? Check out the links each week in the email *This Sunday at Faith* as well as on our website under *Faith Online*.
- ◆ **Midweek Prayers Online, Wednesday, 7 p.m.** In a time of so much distance, let's come together. Folks will be asked to share their rose and thorn for the past week. We will lift up prayer concerns for our community and close in prayer together. Link to meeting: <https://meet.google.com/bew-mpgu-kaj>. Feel free to invite anyone you know who may be interested!
- ◆ **Video Messages from our Pastors.** Trinity and Brad are recording short (around 2 minutes) videos to share with the Faith Family. These videos, dubbed *Simple Faith*, will be published on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday this week. You can access them via our Facebook page as well as from the *Faith Online* page of our website: [faithpcusa.org/faithonline](http://faithpcusa.org/faithonline).
- ◆ **Youth Activity.** Be sure and check the youth calendar at [faithpcusa.org/youth](http://faithpcusa.org/youth) for links to ongoing youth activities!



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Budget YTD: \$462,023

Received YTD: \$504,345

Spent YTD: \$428,622

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