

W CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

17th Sunday
after Pentecost
September 19, 2021

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Welcome

Dr. Brad Clayton

Prelude

Adam Ravain

*Call to Worship (*responsive*)

Arran Corbett

God calls to the lost, the least, and all who long for home.

God calls when we wander from the path chosen for us and waste the gifts we have been given.

God calls and welcomes us back to worship this day.

Let us celebrate and rejoice in God's presence forever; let us worship God together.

*Hymn 415

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

Call to Confession

Arran Corbett

Prayer of Confession

Caroline Couch

Loving God, there is enough evil within us to dampen our confidence.

Sometimes there is enough doubt in us to swamp our faith.

Some days there is enough weariness in us to swamp our hopefulness.

There is enough apathy within us to smother our compassion.

There is also enough hunger in us to keep us searching.

And enough discontent in us to make us return home to Your love.

God of our Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on me a sinner.

Amen. Have mercy on me a sinner.

(silent confession)

God of monumental patience and of prodigal mercy,

Forgive Your people their numerous sins, have pity on our pride and folly, lead us to the fountain of Your grace, and wash us thoroughly from all that defiles us.

Through Christ Jesus our Redeemer. Amen.

Kyrie

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Caroline Couch

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

***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.**

Proclamation of the Word

Prayer With Our Young Disciples

Vicki Fannin

For everyone's safety, children should remain in the pews with their family for the children's time. In lieu of Children's Worship, after the children's time, children 3 through 2nd grade may go to the playground.

Scripture Lesson

Luke 15:11-32 (pew Bible p. 850)

Dr. Brad Clayton

**The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to You, O Christ!**

Sermon

The Prodigal Son

Dr. Brad Clayton

Response to the Word

Offering

Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling

Prayer of Dedication (*responsive*)

Rev. Trinity Whitley

**Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

***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.**

***Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed**

Rev. Trinity Whitley

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Trinity Whitley

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.

Sending Out Into the World

*Hymn 803

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

*Charge & Benediction

Dr. Brad Clayton

*Congregational Response

Amen

Hymnal p. 601

Postlude

Adam Ravain

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*Live Simply, Love Generously, Serve Faithfully, Speak Truthfully, Pray Daily,
and Leave Everything Else to God*

Thank you for joining us for worship today!

Coming up:

(for full details please visit www.faithpcusa.org/upcoming-events)

Face Masks. For everyone's safety, the Session of Faith has requested that we all wear a face mask when inside any of the buildings at Faith. Thank you for helping us care for one another by wearing a mask!

Wednesday Night Alive continues this Wednesday. We invite you to bring dinner and join us on the patio or lawn. Children and youth programs begin at 5:30 p.m.; adult Bible Study begins at 6 p.m. For room assignments, visit faithpcusa.org/upcomingevents.

College-Age Coffee. Join Shannon Guse on Tuesdays in September at Calvin's Coffee House (548 W. Park Avenue) at the outside picnic tables any time between 8 and 10 a.m.

Sojourners Bible Study begins September 28 on Tuesday evenings at 5 p.m. on the Fellowship Hall patio for a study of the Gospel of Mark. All are welcome!

Antiracism: And Now What? Join us via Zoom on September 28, 7-8:30 p.m., for a discussion of Education Disparities with featured speaker Talethia Edwards (Title 1 Schools Advisory Council) and special guest Sealey Elementary Principal Demetria Clemons. For more information, including pre-reading, the Zoom link, and future dates/topics, visit <https://faithpcusa.org/antiracism>. Sign up here: <https://bit.ly/antiracismandnowwhat>

Officer Nominations Open. Know a church member who would make a good elder or deacon? Nominate them using the form at <https://faithpcusa.org/officer-nomination-form>. Nominations are open through the month of September.

New Member Class. Interested in learning more about Faith Presbyterian Church? Ready to join us? Bring your questions to our next New Member Class, Wednesdays, September 29 and October 6, 6-7 p.m. on the Fellowship Hall patio. To RSVP, email trinity@faithpcusa.org and let us know if you need childcare.

The Pumpkins are Coming! The Pumpkin Patch opens on Thursday, October 7, and will be open daily through October 31, 10 a.m.—8 p.m. with safety protocols in place. Sign up to cover a shift in the patch at <https://bit.ly/pumpkins21>. Help us fill the Patch with scarecrows by emailing shannon@faithpcusa.org or vicki@faithpcusa.org to reserve a scarecrow frame, then make a child-friendly, sturdy scarecrow and place it securely in the Patch by October 6.

Jubilee Celebration October 17. Make your plans now to stay after worship on October 17 for a church-wide time of fun and fellowship. We plan to order box lunches and eat outside. There will be games for children and youth. You can sign up for a box lunch after worship today on the front steps or visit <https://bit.ly/jubilee101721>.

Stewardship Update

Budget YTD: \$952,226

Received YTD: \$860,210

Spent YTD: \$859,578

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