

WELCOME TO:
FAITH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
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9:30 AM Adult Christian Education
10:45 AM Worship
Fellowship Hour Following Worship

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Pastor
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*No matter who **YOU** are or where **YOU** are on life's journey,
YOU are welcome here.*

*“Never place a period where God has placed a comma” --
Gracie Allen*



**On this Mothers' Day, we rejoice that you've come to worship the
One who set us in families. Please know that you are always welcome
in God's house of worship.**

**Christ Jesus didn't reject anyone neither do we. God Is Still
Speaking!**



Sunday, May 10, 2026
Sixth Sunday after Easter
Mother's Day

***Those who are able are invited to stand.**
BOLD print – congregation participates.
**Hymns are in the New Century Hymnal unless
otherwise indicated.**

*Holy God of every time and every place, You gather us to hear of
Jesus. Help us see Your infinite life in our own community and in all of
creation; we pray in Your holy name. Amen.*

Joys, Concerns, and Announcements

Greeting:

L: No matter who **YOU** are or where **YOU** are on life's journey,

P: **YOU are welcome here!**

Prelude

Lighting the Altar Candles

Call to Worship: “He Is Lord” (Congregation Sings)

**“He is Lord; He is Lord! He is risen from the dead, and He is
Lord! Every knee shall bow; every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is
Lord!”**

Gospel Lesson: John 14: 15 – 21

Response: “Praise be to You, O Christ.”

***Hymn of Adoration: “O God, Whose Steadfast Love” #426**

***Call to Confession**

God is present to guide our journey and eager to forgive us when we go astray; therefore, in humility and faith, let us confess our sin against God and neighbor.

***Confession (In Unison)**

**Almighty God,
our world is filled with corruption;
power disguises itself as truth;
convenience masquerades as goodness;
selfish pleasure imitates love.**

**We confess to You, O God,
that we have been caught in the web of the world’s sin.
By the power of the Holy Spirit,
save us from these deceptions and free us for glad obedience,
that we may see the joy of Jesus’s resurrection
and receive the promise of everlasting life. Amen.**

***Kyrie**

(The Leader says)

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

(The People sing)

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

***Declaration of Forgiveness**

L: Sisters and brothers,
God forgives, restores, and strengthens us
Through the risen Christ.
Know that you are forgiven
and be at peace.

P: Thanks be to God. Amen.

First Lesson: I Peter 3: 13 – 22

***Hymn of Preparation: “The Church of Christ, in Every Age” #306**

SERMON

***Affirmation of Faith: “Apostle’s Creed” #881**

Call to Prayer

L: God is with us.

P: God is with us, indeed.

L: Let us center our lives in God through prayer

**P: And bring to God our praise, confession, thanksgiving, and
supplication.**

L: Let us pray.

(Please be seated)

Morning Prayer: The Lord’s Prayer

Offertory

***Offertory Response: “Halleluja” #236**

***Dedicatory Prayer**

Holy God, You shower us with gifts so abundant we cannot measure them all. You give us life itself and the power to befriend our companions in this world. Bless these gifts for the sake of those in need, in the name of the Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier, one God, now and forever. Amen.

***Hymn of Response: “God Made From One Blood” #427**

***Benediction**

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Postlude



Participating in Today’s Service

YOU – the members and ministers in Christ’s family

Music Director

Claire White

Lay Reader

Patty Shoup

Church Secretary

Christina and Shane Schmitt

Minister

Rev. John Emig

Attendance: 5 – 3 – 26 Sunday School: 5
OUR STEWARDSHIP FOR May 3, 2026

Worship: 18

Current	\$832.00
Plate	\$ 6.80
Sunday School	\$ 14.00
TOTAL	\$852.80



Shane and Christina Schmitt 5/10

Cheyenne Plowman 5/13

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, May 17th

9:30 A.M. Sunday School

10: 45 A.M. Worship

We practice “extravagant” welcome here at Faith UCC, just as Jesus would invite and encourage us to do. So **WELCOME** to each and every one!

Today we honor the Mothers and all who have served in the role of mothers. God bless you in your compassionate care for the children of this life.

Next Sunday is “New Member Sunday.” Please make every effort to join us as we welcome new members to our church’s life.

Also, next Sunday is ‘Salad Sunday.’ Any type of salad is welcome. Please sign the list in the Fellowship room so we know who is coming. Thank you.

Faith Fellowship is this Tuesday at 10:30 AM. Please join us. We always have a good time being together.

Dates Ahead:

May 19th – Consistory (6:00 PM)

June 20th – Yard Sale

July 7th – Curve Game at PNG Field

August 16th – Church Picnic

Would you like to donate a Memorial Tree to our Community Garden? We will be planting around 8 fruit trees with plaques costing around \$125-\$150. Please speak with any of our Committee Members if you have any questions.

The Flower Calendar for 2026 is available on the board above the water fountain.

Don’t forget to like us and follow us on Facebook.

(www.facebook.com/faithuccaltoona) and subscribe to our YouTube channel (@faithuccaltoona).

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!! In an effort to keep our prayer list as up-to-date as possible, we request that you **personally notify the office** any time a name needs to be added or deleted from the list. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

Friends and Neighbors needing our Prayers:

Lettie Allen Family (grieving)
Alesandro Bond Family (grieving)
Dave Zimmerman
Donald Imler
Jeff Cain
Richard Port
Gracie Raihl
Rick Plowman
Heather Guthrie
Nick Lonsinger
Baby Ridge
Dallas Webb
Peggy Mapes
Zach Lonsinger Family
Donna Skelley
Linda Hollen
Carol Marlett
Our sick and shut-ins



We offer up our prayers for any of our **church family** not listed here who may be in need.

Please pray for our men and women in the military.

