

Contemporary Worship – 9:00 am

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December 28, 2025

Faith Presbyterian Church

Call to Worship – Psalm 22:27-28 (NIV)

All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations will bow down before him, for dominion belongs to the LORD and he rules over the nations.

Joy Has Dawned

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Joy has dawned upon the world, promised from creation
God's salvation now unfurled, hope for ev'ry nation
Not with fanfares from above, not with scenes of glory
But a humble gift of love, Jesus born of Mary

Sounds of wonder fill the sky with the songs of angels
As the mighty Prince of Life shelters in a stable
Hands that set each star in place shaped the earth in darkness
Cling now to a mother's breast vulnerable and helpless

Shepherds bow before the Lamb gazing at the glory
Gifts of men from distant lands prophesy the story
Gold, a King is born today, incense, God is with us
Myrrh, his death will make a way, by his blood he'll win us

Son of Adam, Son of heaven given as a ransom
Reconciling God and man, Christ our mighty Champion
What a Savior, what a Friend, what a glorious mystery
Once a babe in Bethlehem, now the Lord of history

The Passion

Brooke & Scott Legertwood/Chris Davenport

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The passion of our Savior, the mercy of our God
The cross that leaves no question of the measure of His love

*Our chains are gone, our debt is paid, the cross has overthrown the grave
For Jesus' blood that sets us free means death to death and life for me*

The Innocent judged guilty while the guilty one walks free
Death would be His portion and our portion liberty

[Bridge]

I give my whole life to honor this love
By the Lamb who was slain, I'm forgiven
The sinner's Savior, crown Him forever
For the Lamb who was slain – He is risen!

Confession of Faith – The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:
I believe in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.
Amen.

Joy to the World

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Joy to the world! The Lord is come: let earth receive her King!
Let every heart prepare him room and heaven and nature sing
And heaven and nature sing, and heaven and heaven and nature sing

He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness and wonders of his love
And wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love

Joy to the earth! The Savior reigns: let men their songs employ
While fields and floods rocks hills and plains repeat the sounding joy
Repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy

Prayer of Dedication

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or Text "Give \$_" to 844-697-1460*

Children ages 4 through 3rd grade are dismissed to Junior Church

You Are My King (Amazing Love)

Billy Foote

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I'm forgiven because You were forsaken.
I'm accepted. You were condemned.
I'm alive and well, Your Spirit lives within me,
Because You died and rose again.

*Amazing love, how can it be
That You, my King, would die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true.
Now it's my joy to honor You.
In all I do, I honor You.*

You are my King. You are my King. You are my King. You are my King.

Scripture – Matthew 2:1-23 (pew Bible page 956)

Sermon – God's Sovereignty, Christ's Humility, Your Security

Rev. Jim Brown

Prayer

What A Beautiful Name

Fielding/Ligertwood

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You were the Word at the beginning, One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation, Now revealed in You our Christ

*What a beautiful Name it is, what a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a beautiful Name it is, nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is, the Name of Jesus*

You didn't want heaven without us, so Jesus You brought heaven down
My sin was great, Your love was greater - What could separate us now?

[Bridge]

Death could not hold You, The veil tore before You

You silence the boast of sin and grave

The heavens are roaring the praise of Your glory

For You are raised to life again

You have no rival, You have no equal, now and forever God You reign

Yours is the kingdom, Yours is the glory,

Yours is the Name above all Names

Benediction – Isaiah 41:10 (NIV)

So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

Announcements

Please visit Faithwilmington.com/calendar for more details

No Sunday School – Today, Sunday, December 28

2025 Thank Offering – Rev. Jim & Karen (MTW West Africa). Checks to Faith w/ memo.

Congregational Meeting & Luncheon – Sunday, Jan. 25; 9:30 Sunday School, 10:30

Combined Worship followed by lunch & meeting (\$5/person; \$15 max/family)

Help Take Down Christmas Decor – January 4, following Traditional Service