

## SHARING GRACE WITH ALL

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Part of our calling and discipleship is to love our neighbor unconditionally. We have many ways for our people to give of their time, talent, energy and finances for the sake of others without condition.

### GRACEFULLY HELPING

The Faith Feeds Garden is planted, maintained and harvested by our people. All of the fruits and vegetables are donated to the local food pantry.

The Daybreak Ministry is a drop-in center of the Lehigh County Council of Churches for disabled persons. Faith members go monthly to cook, serve and be in fellowship with Daybreak participants.

The Youth Work Camp Ministry is a long-standing tradition in this congregation. Our youth are invited to spend a week in the summer gracefully helping some of the most impoverished around the country.

### GRACEFULLY OFFERING

The Faith congregation gracefully offers financially to the Emmaus Food Pantry, East Penn Angel Network, Lehigh Conference of Churches, Westminster Village and the Theological Education Fund.

Special denominational offerings are collected each year to benefit peacemaking, at-risk youth, minority leadership development and disaster assistance.

The bi-annual Consign for Good sale generates proceeds that are donated for the sake of local families in need, and the bi-annual Yard Sales proceeds benefit our Kenyan partners.

Donations of non-perishable goods are collected and offered to the Emmaus Food Pantry and the East Penn Angel Network. Donations of clothing are collected and offered to the Closet of Hope ministry.

The Faith Little Free Library gracefully offers the joy, education and empowerment that come with reading to the community of Emmaus.

### GRACEFULLY WITNESSING

We do not witness through high-pressure evangelism, but through graceful relationship building and invitation.

All of us are encouraged to gracefully invite others to become involved in the life, work and worship of the Church, and to tell stories of God's faithfulness to us within our own journeys.

The 412 Chestnut storefront is not a space of proselytizing, but is a space of intentional relationship building and graceful witness.

It is a space into which Faith people can invite family, friends and neighbors to gather in community and to build valuable and trustworthy relationships.

It is a space for art, music, books, discussion, games, movies, parties, etc. — anything that people may want to gather around without condition or requirement.

When we gather gracefully and unconditionally in this way, we become a witness to the reality that God's love is offered to all freely, that no one must earn it through obligatory participation or ritual, and that we are therefore already in communion with each other.

We seek to be God's graceful love on display in ways that compel others to discover God's love for them!



## AN INTRODUCTION TO OUR LIFE TOGETHER

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# WELCOME!

We are delighted to have you with us as we seek to live and share the miracle of God's grace! We invite you to become part of our church family. There are numerous ministries and programs here at Faith Church available to you, your family, and friends. We encourage you to join in any that are compelling to you. For more information on any of our programs, please check our website or contact Matt Somishka of our Membership Committee: [msomishka@yahoo.com](mailto:msomishka@yahoo.com)

## LIVING GRACEFULLY TOGETHER

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### WORSHIP

Worship is a joy, not an obligation! We gather for worship with thanks unto God and grace unto each other, knowing that God's forgiving love makes us to be in fellowship with God and each other.

We gather for worship at 10:30AM on Sunday mornings (9:30AM during the summer months). Our worship service is relaxed traditional. We follow a traditional order of worship, but with no dress code or other expectation. Nursery care provided.

Many participate in our various choirs as an expression of worship. Rehearsals are:

Senior Choir - Wednesdays at 7:30PM  
Adult Bell Choir - Mondays at 6:00PM  
Youth Vocal Choir - Sundays at 8:00AM  
Youth Bell Choir - Sundays at 8:30AM  
Genesis Choir (Age 3-K) - Sundays at 8:45AM  
Children's Choir (Grades 1-5) - Sundays 9:00AM

### FELLOWSHIP

Fellowship is gathering together with shared faith, with forgiving and graceful fraternal love. Gathering in fellowship is a celebration of God's welcome to the family of faith extended to all.

A time of intentional fellowship follows each Sunday morning worship service. Annual picnics, inter-generational events, committee meetings, seasonal work days, etc. all gather us in fellowship.

The Women of Faith fellowship gathers often for social events and to create crafts and goods to sell in support of mission projects.

The New Membership fellowship gathers in seasons throughout the year to make new friend connections, share stories and to discern whether or not folks feel compelled to join in the worship and ministry of Faith.

### DISCIPLESHIP

Discipleship is the intentional effort to learn from the Biblical witness to Jesus, to become more like Jesus, and to serve like Jesus for the sake of God's work. There are discipleship opportunities for all ages!

The following Sunday School classes meet at 9:15AM:  
Genesis (age 3-K), Children (Grades 1-5)  
Middle School (Gr. 6-8), High School (Gr. 9-12)  
Confirmation (Gr. 8, January – May)  
Adult Bible, Adult Discussion

Other Discipleship circles include:

Vacation Bible School for Children - June  
Youth Group – Sunday Evenings  
Midweek Adult Bible Study – Wednesdays Noon  
Women's Devotional Group – Thursdays 10:30AM  
Disciples of Christ (Men) – Thursdays 6AM  
Lenten Soup and Discipleship Programs

### PRAYER AND CARE

At the heart of our ability to live gracefully together and unto each other is the commitment to pray and care for each other.

One of the keystones of our weekly worship gathering is the time of openly sharing joys and concerns, which is followed by a time of praying for each other. We not only pray to God on each other's behalf, but also listen for how we might support each other.

The Faith email Prayer Chain helps us to pray for and support each other throughout the week.

The Board of Deacons stays in contact with every member of the congregation in hoping to learn of any struggles, concerns or needs. The Deacon Fund and Pastor's Discretionary Fund are used collaboratively in order to meet the emergent needs of people as an expression of our graceful care of each other.

### PARTNERSHIP

Partnership is an expression of graceful cooperation with others for the sake of God's calling upon us.

The Faith Presbyterian congregation has a long-standing partnership with the Riamukurwe Parish in Nyeri, Kenya. This partnership not only allows us to celebrate the Gospel worldwide, but also allows us to build grace-centered relationships with friends from different world and theological cultures in ways that allow us both to learn and grow in discipleship.

Faith also partners gracefully with Girl Scouts of America, Narcotics Anonymous, Emmaus Garden Club, Emmaus Chorale, Board of Elections, Emmaus Special Entertainment Commission and sister congregations of the Lehigh Presbytery.