



# **FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**of the North Georgia Mountains**

**Rev. Susan L. Haynes, Pastor**

**July 6, 2025**

**Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

*Worship begins with the prelude.*

*Please listen in silence as we prepare our hearts for the worship of God.*

\*Please stand in body or spirit.

**PRELUDE**

“What Is This Place”

KOMT NU MET ZANG

Dr. Phillip Mitchell, Director of Music

**WELCOME and CHURCH NEWS**

Rev. Susan Haynes

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

based on Psalm 66

Liz Charbonneau

Leader: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

**People: sing God’s glorious name; shout out glorious praise.**

Leader: Say to God, “How awesome are your deeds!

**People: All the earth worships you; they sing praises to your name.”**

Leader: Come and see what God has done:

**People: tell of God’s awesome deeds among all people!**

**\*HYMN #645**

“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”

MIT FREUDEN ZART

**CALL TO AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (first silently, then in unison)

**Patient God, you call and call and we come up with every excuse  
why we can’t answer, at least not right now. Forgive our fear.**

**Remind us that when we answer your call, we will not be sent out alone,  
but filled with your gifts, surrounded by your children, and held in your love.**

**We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Rock and Redeemer. Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**CONGREGATIONAL SONG RESPONSE**

HYMN #829-verse 1

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

OLIVET

*My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine!*

*Now hear me while I pray; take all my guilt away;*

*O let me from this day be wholly thine!*

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Liz Charbonneau

**A READING FROM THE PSALMS**

Psalm 66:1-9

Liz Charbonneau

Page 499 OT /Page 649 OT large print

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

**ANTHEM**

Special Music

Arden and Phillip Mitchell

**GOSPEL READING**

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

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**SERMON**

“Being an Influencer”

Rev. Susan Haynes

**OFFERING OF THE PEOPLE**

**Offertory**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL SUNG RESPONSE TO THE OFFERING**

Hymn #700-verse 1 “I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me” I’M GONNA LIVE

*I’m gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!*

*I’m gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!*

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Liz Charbonneau

**\*HYMN #503**

“Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation”

O QUANTA QUALIA

**THE CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER**

**Invitation to the Lord’s Table**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord’s Prayer (sins/sinners)**

**Words of Institution**

**Communion of the People**

Bread: “Christ’s body broken for you.”

The cup: “Christ’s blood shed for you.”

**Sharing the Peace**

*The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.*

*And also with you.*

**Prayer after Communion**

**\*HYMN #298**-verses 1, 2, 5

“Lord, You Give the Great Commission”

ABBOT’S LEIGH

**\*CHARGE and BENEDICTION**

**\*DEPARTING SONG**

“Go Now in Peace”

Besig/Price

*Go now in peace, never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of ev’ry day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know God will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see.  
God will be there, watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith and in love.*

**POSTLUDE**

“How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord”

REPTON

*The flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Connie and Randy Griggs to the glory of God and in honor of those serving and those who have served in our military.*

**CHURCH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**This week’s events: July 6<sup>th</sup> – July 13<sup>th</sup>**

**See *Faith Happenings!* Newsletter for details of items mentioned below  
and other upcoming events and programs (copies in Narthex).**

**Join us each Sunday at 9:45 a.m. for coffee and conversation before worship.**

Sunday	10:30 am	Worship – Celebration of the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper
Monday	9:00 am	Summer Meals Packing (off campus)
	11:00 am	Church Nominating Committee meeting
	1:00 pm	Storage Task Force
Tuesday	6:00 pm	Triple L/Rivers of Peace Dinner
Wednesday	9:00 am	Summer Meals Packing (off campus)
	10:00 am	Program Visioning Committee Meeting (Zoom)
Thursday	10:00 am	Summer Meals Delivery (off campus)
	11:30 am	Ladies’ Lunch Bunch
Friday	9:00 am	Merry Maids
Saturday	1:15 pm	Shillcutt Interment
	2:00 pm	Shillcutt Memorial Service and Reception
Sunday	9:00 am	Membership Inquiry Class
	10:30 am	Worship
	11:30 am	Second Sunday Lunch

**Triple L/Rivers of Peace** – We are now working as a team to feed the unsheltered. We will be offering dinners to these folks outside the Covet Hair Salon from 6:00-8:00 pm. Moving forward we will be offering the meals on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month beginning Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup>. Details will be sent out ahead of time via email, from which you may respond to our volunteer needs (mostly cooks) for both dinners. If you and/or someone you know want to get involved, please let us know by phone or email. Liz -706.455.7707, Roger, Janet, & Jerry

**Ladies Lunch Bunch** – Attention ladies! Come join us for lunch and great fellowship on Thursday, July 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am at the Pasta Market (downtown Blue Ridge). A sign-up is in the Narthex. Please sign up by today, July 6<sup>th</sup>!

**Memorial Service for Gene Shillcutt** – The congregation is cordially invited to a Memorial Service for Gene Shillcutt on Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> with interment of ashes in the Faith Memorial Garden at 1:15 pm followed by a memorial service and reception at 2 pm. Please wear red and black in honor of Gene’s love for the Georgia Bulldogs.

**July’s Second Sunday Lunch** will be hosted by the Outreach Planning Team on Sunday, July 13<sup>th</sup> following the worship service. The entrée will be **pulled pork**. The congregation is welcome to bring a side, salad, or dessert. Contact Sandy Cuppia - 704.200.5726 – with any questions.

**Membership Inquiry Class** - The next Membership Inquiry Class will be held Sunday, July 13<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in learning more about Faith Presbyterian Church, about being a Presbyterian, and/or becoming a member of Faith, please contact Pastor Susan at [susan.haynes@faithpresbyterianusa.org](mailto:susan.haynes@faithpresbyterianusa.org).

**THE SESSION OF FAITH PRESBYTERIAN**

CLASS OF 2025	Sally Crawford	Bob Elwell	Chris Martinez
CLASS OF 2026	Sandy Cuppia	Greg Duncan	Bill Young
CLASS OF 2027	Sylvia Goodyear	Peggy Reich	Max White
Moderator: Rev. Susan L. Haynes			
Clerk of Session: Candy Frank			

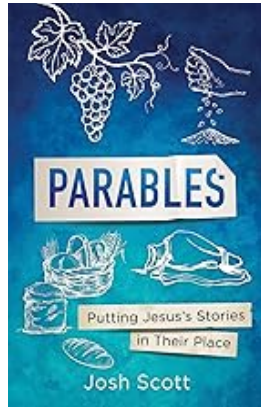
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Link to our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/FaithPresbyterianBlueRidge>

*Faith’s Mission Statement: By God’s love and grace, we are called to welcome all, to worship, and to serve both our community and church to glorify God.*

**FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
OF THE NORTH GEORGIA MOUNTAINS  
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL  
THE 2025 SUMMER LEARNING SERIES**

Remember going to Vacation Bible School as a kid...five days hanging with your friends, having fun, singing, delicious snacks, and learning about the Bible? Here at Faith, we're taking a step back to those childhood days of summer. Our 2025 Summer Learning Series will be a week...five consecutive days...July 21-24 from 1-3pm and a picnic at noon on Friday, July 25, followed by the lesson at 1. We will study Parables: Putting Jesus's Stories in Their Place by Josh Scott. You may sign up to attend via the sign-up sheet in the narthex or call the church office at 706.374.5912. On the last day of VBS, we will enjoy a picnic/cookout at noon before the lesson at 1 p.m.



When Jesus taught in parables, he was doing more than simply telling morality tales. His stories were grounded in the world in which he lived and his vision of the Kingdom of God. This book explores parables that give us a window into Jesus's message and movement, and, once they are heard in their own context, ask what they might mean for us today.

**Schedule:**

<b>Monday, July 21</b>	<b>1-3pm</b>	<b>The Parable of the Leaven</b>
<b>Tuesday, July 22</b>	<b>1-3pm</b>	<b>The Wicked Tenants</b>
<b>Wednesday, July 23</b>	<b>1-3pm</b>	<b>The Wedding Party</b>
<b>Thursday, July 24</b>	<b>1-3pm</b>	<b>The Parable of the Mustard Seed</b>
<b>Friday, July 25</b>	<b>noon</b>	<b>Picnic Cookout</b>
	<b>1-3pm</b>	<b>Wine and Wineskins</b>

*All are invited to attend one day, several days, or the entire week of VBS.*

If you would like to bring any of the following items for the picnic on Friday, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex or call the church office: Baked beans, Coleslaw, Potato salad, Mixed Fruit salad, Chips, Tomato, Lettuce, Onion, Pickles, or your favorite picnic side.