

WORDS OF AFFIRMATION:

Beloved of God, hear this good news: from 2 John 1:1b-2a (NLT)
“...if anyone does sin, we have an advocate who pleads our case before the Father. He is Jesus Christ, the one who is truly righteous. He himself is the sacrifice that atones for our sins...”

If you have confessed and repented of your sins today, then in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

We receive it now by faith. All glory, honor, and praise be unto you! Hallelujah! Amen!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ be always with you.

And also, with You

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THE BLESSING & SENDING

Authorities we want to remember specifically in prayer this week:

President’s Chief of Staff – Jeff Zients

Missouri Secretary of State – John Ashcroft

City of St Peters Clerk - Patty Smith

View the complete [prayer grid here](#) and check back at the beginning of each month for updates.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2024 Bible Reading Plan: We have 3 options this year as we plan to read through the Bible in a year. Visit the [Church Family](#) link on our website for a printable (or downloadable) plan to read: [Straight through](#), [Chronologically](#), or [1 Book at a Time](#).

1st Quarter Outreach: The 24th Annual Heat Up St. Louis Rise & Shine will be held on February 9th from 6:00a -10:30a at Hardee’s locations across the metro area. Please notify Trish Walls of the location and time you will be volunteering before January 28th.



FAITH COVENANT MINISTRIES

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Purpose Statement:

We exist to glorify God by serving as a conduit for the grace of God whereby faith the Love, Life, Lordship and Leadership of the Kingdom of Heaven is revealed and expanded to all nations.

Mission Statement:

We desire to be a multi-cultural, multi-generational conduit of the grace of God to be used to fulfil our purpose, for the glory of God.

Mailing address:

P.O. Box 430
St. Charles, MO 63302
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Weekly Corporate Gatherings:

Sunday Worship Service- 10:00 AM
Discipleship Groups (times vary)

Staff:

Rev. Michael Hammond, Sr. - President & Senior Pastor
Rose Hammond- Receptionist

Order of Worship
Sunday, January 21, 2024

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

(**Congregation** responses spoken together appear in **bold** print.)

OPENING DECLARATION & PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we gather in Your presence today with open hearts and minds, ready to worship and praise Your holy name. We ask that You bless this time of worship so that we may be uplifted and inspired by Your presence. Fill us with Your love and grace and help us to honor You in all that we do. Amen

WORSHIP IN SONG (click the song title for a YouTube track)

[Open Up the Heavens](#) [Jesus You're Beautiful](#)
[For Your Glory](#) [I Don't Wanna Leave](#)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy One, come to us in the reading of Your Word. Open us to the Spirit's presence in our hearts so that our lives may be a vessel for Your truth bringing hope to the world. In Jesus name we pray, and we all agree by saying, **Amen**.

SCRIPTURE READING: Malachi 3:1, 4:1-5 (NASB95)

Leader: This is the Word of God.

Congregation: Thank you Lord for your Holy Word.

(Quiet Reflection)

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 43 (NASB95)

Leader: This is the Word of God.

Congregation: Thank you Lord for your Holy Word.

(Quiet Reflection)

WORSHIP IN SONG: HYMN OF THE MONTH

[Because He Lives](#) | View the lyrics [here](#)

SCRIPTURE READING: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 (NASB95)

Leader: This is the Word of God.

Congregation: Thank you Lord for your Holy Word.

(Quiet Reflection)

GOSPEL READING: John 1:6-8,15 (NASB95)

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to You Lord Christ

SERMON: <https://www.facebook.com/fcmstl>

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND REPENTANCE

Scripture tells us that all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. But it also promises us that redemption is in Christ Jesus. Acknowledging this truth about ourselves and with gratitude for the salvation available to us through repentance and faith in Jesus, let us confess our sins to Almighty God before one another.

(Quiet personal confession)

Gracious God, we entered the world walking in darkness as those who could not see the light. We loved our evil deeds and lived a life ruled by the world, the flesh, and the devil. But you came to us as the Light, offering us salvation, your life, love, revelation, and fellowship with God.

While we were slow to listen to them, in your love, you sent us messengers who were witnesses of the Light. They told us what you were like. Like the Holy Spirit's witness in us, they told us the truth about you and about ourselves.

So, having confessed and repented of our sins, we ask that you forgive us for our sins and make us new, so that we may be children of light, and witnesses unto you. In your glorious name we pray. Amen.

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