

OUR STATEMENT OF FAITH

The Presbyterian Church in America or “The PCA” is a distinctly evangelical denomination in the Reformed tradition. The Bible as the Word of God is the primary standard for our faith. The Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms, although subordinate to the Bible in their authority, set forth our understanding of biblical truth in a consistent, concise, and reliable form.

In the Reformed tradition, there are five key tenets, among others, that we hold to: By Scripture Alone; By Christ Alone; By Grace Alone; By Faith Alone; and To God Alone be the Glory.

- We believe the Bible is the written word of God, inspired by the Holy Spirit and without error in the original manuscripts. The Bible is the revelation of God’s truth and is infallible and authoritative in all matters of faith and practice.
- We believe in the Holy Trinity. There is one God, who exists eternally in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- We believe that all are sinners and totally unable to save themselves from God’s displeasure, except by His mercy.
- We believe that salvation is by God alone as He sovereignly chooses those He will save. We believe His choice is based on His grace, not on any human individual merit, or foreseen faith.
- We believe that Jesus Christ is the eternal Son of God, who through His perfect life and sacrificial death atoned for the sins of all who will trust in Him, alone, for salvation.
- We believe that God is gracious and faithful to His people not simply as individuals but as families in successive generations according to His Covenant promises.
- We believe that the Holy Spirit indwells God’s people and gives them the strength and wisdom to trust Christ and follow Him.
- We believe that Jesus will return, bodily and visibly, to judge all mankind and to receive His people to Himself.
- We believe that all aspects of our lives are to be lived to the glory of God under the Lordship of Jesus Christ.



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Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

March 17, 2013

*“Can you find out the deep things of God?
Can you find out the limit of the Almighty?”
Job 11:7*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

His Calling and Our Praise

***CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 29:1-2,4,11**

Leader: The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

All: May the LORD give strength to his people! May the LORD bless his people with peace!

Leader: Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

All: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

*(*Indicates when to stand)*

We ask that you please turn off cell phones during the worship service. Thank you.

***10,000 REASONS (BLESS THE LORD)**

(Chorus)

*Bless the Lord, O my soul; O my soul, worship his holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship your holy name.*

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,
it's time to sing your song again.
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me, –
let me be singing when the evening comes.

(Chorus)

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger.
Your name is great and your heart is kind.
For all your goodness I will keep on singing; –
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

(Chorus)

And on that day when my strength is failing,
the end draws near and my time has come;
still my soul will sing your praise unending, –
ten thousand years and then forevermore!

(Chorus 2x)

I'll worship your holy name; I'll worship your holy name.

***PRAYER OF PRAISE**

***GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS – Hymn #32**

***COME YE SINNERS**

Come ye sinners, poor and wretched, weak and wounded, sick and sore.

Jesus, ready, stands to save you, full of pity joined with power.

He is able, he is able; he is willing; doubt no more.

Come ye needy, come and welcome; God's free bounty glorify:
True belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh.
Without money, without money, come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come ye weary, heavy laden, bruised and broken by the fall.

If you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all.

Not the righteous, not the righteous; sinners Jesus came to call.

CALENDAR

TODAY

9:30 a.m. – WORSHIP SERVICE
10:45 a.m. – Coffee Hour & Fellowship
11:15 a.m. – Sunday school for all ages

THIS WEEK

Tuesday – Elder/Deacon meeting, 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday – Men's Prayer Breakfast, 6:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall
– Jr. High Youth Group, 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the church
– Sr. High Youth Group, 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Pierson's home,
30 Chip Ct. in Kalispell

LOOKING AHEAD

Tuesdays – Music practice, 6:30 p.m.
Wednesdays – Men's Prayer Breakfast, 6:45 a.m.
– Jr. & Sr. High Youth Groups (Sept.-May)
Sundays – Adult Small Groups (Sept.-May)
1st Sundays – Diaconal Offering
1st Tuesdays – Elder home visits
3rd Tuesdays – Elders/Deacons' meeting, 7:00 p.m.
2nd & 4th Tuesdays – Elizabeth Women, noon, at Jo Anne Ross' home, (Sept.-May)
Last Sunday of month – Prayer & Worship Service, 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 24 – No Sunday school
Tuesday, March 26 – Elizabeth Women, noon at Jo Anne Ross'
Friday, March 29 – Good Friday Service, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, March 31 – No Sunday school
– EASTER SUNDAY:
8:00 a.m. Worship Service
9:15 a.m. Easter Breakfast
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
– Prayer & Worship Service, 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, April 2 – Women's Ministries meeting, 4:00 p.m.
– Trustees' meeting, 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 9 – Elizabeth Women, noon at Jo Anne Ross'
Thursday, April 11 – Community Kitchen: Feeding the Flathead
Tuesday, April 16 – Elder/Deacon meeting, 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, April 23 – Elizabeth Women, noon at Jo Anne Ross'
Sunday, April 28 – Prayer & Worship Service, 6:00 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (cont.)

FEED THE FLATHEAD VOLUNTEERS: The Feed the Flathead committee is recruiting volunteers. They provide and serve a meal the second Thursday of each month. They serve a main dish along with fresh fruit, a salad or vegetable, bread, juice and milk. If you would like to sign up to bring something, come and serve the meal, help with clean up or make a monetary contribution any time through this next year, please sign up in the foyer. The committee will put together two teams of workers and alternate months. You can sign up to be a regular volunteer, or you can sign up to help once or twice and let us know which months are best for you. For questions or details, contact Sharon Thompson (253-3238) or Joyce Schmautz (249-6370).

COMMUNITY KITCHEN—FEEDING THE FLATHEAD: Those of you who are volunteering with Feed the Flathead will serve next month on **Thursday, April 11** at Central Christian Church. If you have questions, contact Sharon Thompson or Joyce Schmautz.

PRAYER CARDS are available in the pew racks for your prayer requests. According to how you mark your request, prayers can be for the Elders only, shared with the Deacons or put on the prayer chain. Place your request in the offering bag or give to any Elder or Pastor.

For Prayer Chain requests or to be added to the prayer chain, please contact the church office at 752-2400 or email to office@faithcov.com.

MARCH MINISTRIES

DEACON OF THE MONTH Ike Eisentraut
NURSERY M.O.M. (Mom of the Month).....Sharon Riley
NURSERY COORDINATOR..... Darcy Hearn
Direct Nursery questions, concerns, praises, etc., to Darcy at 270-8933.

TODAY

USHERS/GREETERSMatt & Elenie King
CHILDREN'S CHURCH Dar Wassink & Annalise Pierson
WORSHIP NURSERY (infants) Wiersmas
WORSHIP NURSERY (toddlers thru 3yrs).....Kelly Brown & Yvonne Hernandez
FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS..... Cathy Hanson & Darcy Hearn
COMMUNION PREP Carolyn Duncan
COMMUNION CLEAN-UPHanni Hanson

NEXT SUNDAY – MARCH 24

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COMMUNION PREPDar Wassink
COMMUNION CLEAN-UPYvonne Hernandez

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream.
All the fitness he requireth is to feel your need of him.
This he gives you, this he gives you, 'tis the Spirit's rising beam.

Lo! The Incarnate God, ascended; pleads the merit of his blood.
Venture on him; venture wholly, let no other trust intrude.
None but Jesus, none but Jesus can do helpless sinners good.

His Renewal and Our Hope

COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *Ephesians 5:3-6*

But sexual immorality and all impurity or covetousness must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints. Let there be no filthiness nor foolish talk nor crude joking, which are out of place, but instead let there be thanksgiving. For you may be sure of this, that everyone who is sexually immoral or impure, or who is covetous (that is, an idolater), has no inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God. Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience.

All: O King and Father, your Son died and was raised in power. Now enable us to die to our sin in repentance so we may rise to new life in Him. Forgive our careless attitudes toward your purposes, our reluctance to relieve the suffering of others, our envy of those who have more than we have. Forgive us of our obsession with creating a life of constant pleasure, our neglect of your wise and gracious law. Help us to change our way of life, so that we may desire what is good, love what you love, and do what you command, through Jesus our Lord. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Psalms 25:8-10*

Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in the way. He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way. All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

***YOUR ARE MY KING**

I'm forgiven, because you were forsaken.
I'm accepted; you were condemned.
I'm alive and well, your Spirit is within me,
because you died and rose again.
(Repeat)

(Chorus)

*Amazing love, how can it be that you my King would die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true, and it's my joy to honor you.*

In all I do, I honor you.

(Repeat all)

You are my King, Jesus, you are my King.
You are my King, Jesus, you are my King.

(Chorus)

In all I do, I honor you.

PRAYER, OFFERTORY & RESPONSE

Reminder: please sign and pass the Attendance Register down the pew.

*Children ages 4-6 are excused for Children's Church
(held downstairs in the Fellowship Hall)*

***DOXOLOGY – Hymn #731**

***PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

His Word and Our Response

Sermon: Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.

Sermon Series: Job

Sermon Title: *The Little You Know*

Sermon Text: Job 8, 11

(See pages 6-8 for sermon outline and text)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL OR REGIONAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: The Dwelling Place, Kalispell, Pastor Dan Sandler

MISSION PROJECT OR MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: Seth, Rachel & Wyatt Park with Pioneers serving in Turkey. Pray for opportunities for the gospel, and for boldness in those opportunities to share the faith, for conversions and opportunities to disciple new converts. Pray their spiritual lives will be healthy and growing.

THERE WILL BE NO SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES HELD March 24 or March 31. All classes will resume meeting on Sunday, April 7 at 11:15 a.m.

EASTER LILIES CAN BE PURCHASED in honor or memory of your loved ones. Your dedication will be printed in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Forms are available on the table in the foyer or Fellowship Hall for you to fill out and leave in the box provided or you may return them to the church office along with \$10.00 (per lily), no later than Sunday, March 24. Lilies will be displayed on Easter Sunday and you are welcome to take them home after the worship service.

Please join us on Friday, March 29 at 7:30 p.m. for our **GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE**. On Sunday, March 31, in celebration of our Risen Savior, there will be two **EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES** – 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Faith Covenant Elders and Deacons will cook and serve breakfast between the two services at 9:15 a.m.

LADIES RETREAT VIDEOS: Ladies are invited to finish the remaining sessions of the retreat study on Living the Gospel as a Sunday School class **TODAY**, April 7 and April 14 in Pastor Shane's office. If you can't go to Sunday School, the videos will be shown at the church April 1 and 4 at 4:45 p.m. (2 videos each evening) with childcare provided (RSVP to Becky Neumann 212-7664).

DIRECTORY UPDATE:

Vern & Carol Stewart, 40 Claremont St., Apt. 235D, Kalispell, MT 59901, 406-752-8062

GENERAL OFFERING SUMMARY THRU FEBRUARY 28:

Targeted Budget = \$44,166.15; Offerings received = \$52,668.01

MEAL COORDINATORS NEEDED: One more volunteer is needed to help head up coordinating the meals ministry that provides new moms and others (as needed) with meals. Thank you to Kelly Swenson for volunteering to be one coordinator. Contact Kelly at 890-2248 for more information.

RECYCLE YOUR BULLETIN: We will recycle your bulletin for you – you can help by returning it to the basket in the foyer at the entrance to the sanctuary.

CLARISSE and ANDY Sunday school offering status:

Monthly goal = \$100; March-to-date amount: \$52.87

SALVATION ARMY FOOD PICKUP: The Salvation Army needs volunteers to help pick up food from local grocery stores on Saturdays. A two-person team drives the Salvation Army van for the two-hour route. Contact Merry Svanson at the Salvation Army (257-4357) if you can volunteer once a month or more.

Questions and thoughts for discussion:

1. **Bildad is a “neat but superficial thinker.” His oversimplified explanation fits nicely into his thinking but not in Job’s actual circumstance. Where have you seen this tendency in yourself?**
2. **Consider: “The weaker the case, the more confidently stated.” Have you argued this way before? Do you think insecurity is sometimes behind this?**
3. **Looking at vs. 4, Bildad’s approach is that Job’s kids only received what they had coming to them. He argues from consequence back to cause. Have you seen times where others have done this very thing? How should you respond?**
4. **In vs 8-10, Bildad uses history to support his position. He appeals to ancient authority, but it is not true. Again we see a violation of the use of authority to give a wrong answer. Can you remember a time when you have done this to someone else?**
5. **Does there seem to be any compassion in Zophar’s speech? Do you think that people can use a cold intellect to try and distance themselves from real pain? Discuss.**
6. **Where have you witnessed truth and compassion coming together in a gracious way (hint: Jesus in the gospels)?**
7. **What is the difference between judging people’s actions (their fruit) and judging their motives (their heart)? What are some ways to keep us from slipping from one to the other?**

***JESUS, MESSIAH**

He became sin who knew no sin,
that we might become his righteousness.
He humbled himself and carried the cross.
Love so amazing, love so amazing!

(Chorus)

*Jesus Messiah, name above all names;
Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel.
The rescue for sinners, the ransom from heaven,
Jesus Messiah, Lord of all.*

His body the bread, his blood the wine,
broken and poured out all for love.
The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn.
Love so amazing, love so amazing!

(Chorus)

(Bridge)

*All our hope is in you, all our hope is in you.
All the glory to you, God, the Light of the world.
(Chorus)*

Jesus Messiah, Lord of all.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

*Wine is located in the two outer rings; juice is located in the center ring.
(See FCC Observance information on page 9)*

PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION – Elder Tom Jentz

***I WILL SING OF MY REDEEMER – Hymn #650**

***BENEDICTION**

SERMON OUTLINE

March 17, 2013

Sermon: Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.

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Sermon Text: Job 8, 11

I. Good 'Bad Advice'

- A. wrong 'divine' impressions (ch. 4)
- B. wrong 'divine' history (ch. 8)
- C. wrong 'divine' teaching (ch. 11)

II. Good 'Good Advice'

- A. The Spirit working by, with, and through the Word
- B. The value of tradition
- C. The truth will set you free

SERMON TEXT

Job 8, 11 (ESV)

8:1 Then Bildad the Shuhite answered and said: ² “How long will you say these things, and the words of your mouth be a great wind? ³ Does God pervert justice? Or does the Almighty pervert the right? ⁴ If your children have sinned against him, he has delivered them into the hand of their transgression. ⁵ If you will seek God and plead with the Almighty for mercy, ⁶ if you are pure and upright, surely then he will rouse himself for you and restore your rightful habitation ... ⁸ “For inquire, please, of bygone ages, and consider what the fathers have searched out. ⁹For we are but of yesterday and know nothing, for our days on earth are a shadow. ¹⁰ Will they not teach you and tell you and utter words out of their understanding?

11:1 Then Zophar the Naamathite answered and said: ² “Should a multitude of words go unanswered, and a man full of talk be judged right? ... ⁴ For you say, ‘My doctrine is pure, and I am clean in God’s eyes.’ ⁵ But oh, that God would speak and open his lips to you, ⁶ and that he would tell you the secrets of wisdom! For he is manifold in understanding. Know then that God exacts of you less than your guilt deserves. ⁷ “Can you find out the deep things of God? Can you find out the limit of the Almighty? ... ⁹ Its measure is longer than the earth and broader than the sea... ¹⁴ If iniquity is in your hand, put it far away, and let not injustice dwell in your tents. ¹⁵ Surely then you will lift up your face without blemish; you will be secure and will not fear.

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