

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

May 11, 2014

*“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another,
as good stewards of God’s varied grace ...
in order that in everything God may be glorified.”
1 Peter 4:10-11*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

His Calling and Our Praise

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** *Micah 4:1-2; Psalm 86:9-10*

Leader: It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and it shall be lifted up above the hills; and peoples shall flow to it, and many nations shall come, and say:

All: “Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.”

Leader: All the nations you have made shall come and worship before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name.

All: For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

***JOIN ALL THE GLORIOUS NAMES** - *Hymn #301*

***PRAYER OF PRAISE**

*(*Indicates when to stand)*

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

***BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR**

All my days I will sing this song of gladness,
give my praise to the fountain of delights;
for in my helplessness you heard my cry,
and waves of mercy poured down on my life.

I will trust in the cross of my Redeemer;
I will sing of the blood that never fails,
of sins forgiven, of conscience cleansed,
of death defeated and life without end.

(Chorus)

*Beautiful Savior, Wonderful Counselor,
clothed in majesty, Lord of history,
you're the Way, the Truth, the Life.
Star of the Morning, glorious in holiness,
you're the Risen One, heaven's champion,
and you reign, you reign over all!*

I long to be where the praise is never ending;
yearn to dwell where the glory never fades,
where countless worshipers will share one song,
and cries of "worthy" will honor the Lamb!

(Chorus 2x)

***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)

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CALENDAR

TODAY

8:30 a.m. – WORSHIP SERVICE
9:45 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship
10:00 a.m. – Sunday School
11:00 a.m. – WORSHIP SERVICE

THIS WEEK

Tuesday – Fellowship Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the church
– Leadership Training Class, 7:00 p.m. at the church
Wednesday – Men's Prayer Breakfast, 6:45 a.m. at the church
– Jr. High Youth Group, 7:00 p.m. at the church
– Sr. High Youth Group, 7:00 p.m. at the Neumanns'
Saturday – Habitat for Humanity Work Day, see announcements

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, Trustee Meeting
3rd Tuesdays – Elders/Deacons' meeting, 7:00 p.m.
2nd & 4th Tuesdays – Elizabeth Women, noon, at Jo Anne Ross' home, (Sept.-May)

Sunday, May 18 – Graduation Sunday
Tuesday, May 20 – Elders/Deacon Meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the church
Tuesday, May 27 – Leadership Training Class, 7:00 p.m. at the church
Wednesday, May 28 – Baby Shower for Linden Rigler & Dawn Tinkham,
6:30 p.m. at the church
Tuesday, June 3 – Trustees' Meeting, 6:00 p.m. at the church
Tuesday, June 3 – Leadership Training Class, 7:00 p.m. at the church
Thursday, June 12 – Feed the Flathead, 5:30 p.m. at Central Christian Church
Sunday, June 15 – Father's Day Potluck, watch for details

LORD'S SUPPER OBSERVANCE

At Faith Covenant, the Lord's Supper is observed each Lord's Day as the climax of our worship service. We invite to the Lord's Table all those who are baptized disciples of Jesus Christ, under the authority of Christ and His body, the Church. By eating the bread and drinking the cup with us as a visitor, you are acknowledging to our church that you are in covenant with God. You also acknowledge that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Jesus Christ alone for your salvation. If you have any doubts about your participation, please speak to the pastor or one of the elders after the service. Wine and bread are the elements of the supper as instituted by Jesus Christ. We recommend the use of wine; however we offer both juice and wine in the tray to allow true liberty of conscience. The wine is located in the two outer rings and the juice is located in the center ring.

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.

MAY

DEACON OF THE MONTH Doug Brown
NURSERY M.O.M. (Mom of the Month) Karen Hunnicutt
NURSERY COORDINATOR Darcy Hearn
Direct Nursery questions, concerns, praises, etc., to Darcy at 270-8933.

TODAY

USHERS/GREETERS (8:30 AM) Doug & Jeri Brown
USHERS/GREETERS (11 AM) Kyle & Michael Hanson
CHILDREN'S CHURCH (11 AM service only) Tamie & Kathryn Jentz
WORSHIP NURSERY (8:30 AM) Darcy Hearn
WORSHIP NURSERY (11 AM infants) Brenda Olmsted
WORSHIP NURSERY (11 AM toddlers thru 3yrs) Sara Motley
FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS Judy Fosbery & Sharon Salyer
COMMUNION PREP Christy Heath
COMMUNION CLEAN-UP Jeanie Brenneman

NEXT SUNDAY – MAY 18

USHERS/GREETERS (8:30 AM) Nick & Hanni Hanson
USHERS/GREETERS (11 AM) Kyle & Michael Hanson
CHILDREN'S CHURCH (11 AM service only) Tamie & Kathryn Jentz
WORSHIP NURSERY (11 AM infants) Wendy Putzler & Briahna Bennett
WORSHIP NURSERY (11 AM toddlers thru 3yrs) Kate Anderson
FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS Kelly Brown & Shari Montague
COMMUNION PREP Carol Martin
COMMUNION CLEAN-UP Lori VanderArk

**JESUS MESSIAH, continued*

(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.

His Renewal and Our Hope

COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *James 2:10*

For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.

Leader: You shall have no other gods before me.

All: But I often place other things on the throne of my heart above you.

Leader: You shall not make for yourself a carved image... You shall not bow down to them or serve them.

All: But I make you into who I want you to be.

Leader: You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.

All: But I treat your name lightly and do not bring honor to you.

Leader: Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work.

All: But I make excuses for spending the day pursuing my own pleasures with little thought on how I can set apart the Sabbath to you.

Leader: Honor your father and your mother.

All: But I spurn authority and set my own rules.

Leader: You shall not murder.

All: But I often hate my brother in my heart.

Leader: You shall not commit adultery.

All: But my thought life is often x-rated and my heart filled with lust.

Leader: You shall not steal.

All: But I devote my life to pursue convenience and consumption.

Leader: You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

All: But I often speak against my neighbors and run them down to others.

Leader: You shall not covet.

All: But I desire and chase after far more than I need and I am not content with what I have.

All: Forgive us, O God. Put to death our sinful inclinations and practices through the power of your Holy Spirit. Renew us in the image of your Son, our Savior-Jesus Christ. Amen.

(Adapted from the Ten Commandments- Exodus 20)

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Psalm 30:1-5*

I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up and have not let my foes rejoice over me. O LORD my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me. O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol; you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit. Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name. For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

***JESUS! WHAT A FRIEND OF SINNERS!** - Hymn #498 vs. 1-3,5

PRAYER, OFFERTORY & RESPONSE

*Reminder: please sign and pass the Attendance Register down the pew.
11:00 a.m. Service: Children ages 4-6 are excused for Children's Church
(held downstairs in the Fellowship Hall)*

THE GOSPEL SONG

Holy God in love became
Perfect Man to bear my blame
On the cross He took my sin
By His death I live again
(Repeat all)

*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

His Word and Our Response

Sermon: Pastor Shane Waldron

Sermon Series: 1 Peter- Living as Exiles

Sermon Title: Reflections of Glory

Sermon Text: 1 Peter 4:7-11

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

*SPEAK O LORD

Speak O Lord as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy word
Take Your truth plant it deep in us
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak O Lord and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory

(song continued on next page)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL OR REGIONAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: Glacier Church, Kalispell,
Pastor Jamie Woods

MISSION PROJECT OR MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: Matt & Becky Allhands
with Reformed Campus Fellowship in Eugene, Oregon

HABITAT WORK DAY MAY 17: Mission volunteers needed for Habitat for Humanity! Faith Covenant is once again sponsoring a group of volunteers to help at the construction site in Columbia Falls on Saturday, May 17, at 7:45 a.m. till 4:00 p.m. You can volunteer all or part of the day. Lunch and hot and cold drinks are provided. There are jobs for men, women, and teens between the ages of 15 and 18 with parental permission. A sign up sheet along with parental permission forms and a map are located in the foyer. Sign up by May 11th so Habitat for Humanity organizers can plan for the day.

GRADUATION SUNDAY! If you or someone you know is graduating (grade school – post-college) please fill out the card in your bulletin and put it in the offering or you may also turn it in to the office. Graduation Sunday is May 18 during the Fellowship Coffee hour when we will honor our graduates.

BABY SHOWER: Faith Covenant ladies are invited to a baby shower for Linden Rigler and Dawn Tinkham Wednesday, May 28, at 6:30-8 p.m. in the church fellowship hall. Come join us as we celebrate the upcoming arrival of these little ones into our church family. If you would like to contribute to a group gift, contact Kristin Bay in the church office (752-2400).

LADIES SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES STUDY: The last Ladies Bible Study on Spiritual Disciplines will be Saturday, May 31, from 10:30 a.m. to noon at the church. Come prepared to share how any of the spiritual disciplines impacted you. Questions? Call Chany at 260-3221.

GENERAL OFFERING SUMMARY THRU APRIL 27:
Targeted Budget = \$98,044.23; Offerings received = \$98,366.70

Please pick up a baby bottle in the foyer TODAY to help Hope Pregnancy Ministries during their Baby Bottle Fundraiser! Between Mother's Day and Father's Day, fill your baby bottle with loose change, bills or a check and bring your bottle back to church on or before Father's Day. Hope Pregnancy Ministries serves women experiencing unplanned pregnancy by providing free pregnancy testing and ultrasound with options counseling, as well as mentorship and material needs for young moms! Get involved today by filling and returning a baby bottle! Questions? Call 257-5700.

IRON SHARPENS IRON MEN'S CONFERENCE: Men from around Montana are invited to this national equipping conference at Easthaven Baptist on Saturday, May 17. See brochures in the fellowship hall or contact Rik Goodell (890-1973) for more information. Early group registration deadline is May 12th so sign up in the foyer today!

DIRECTORY UPDATE: Patti Snapp has a new phone number (406-300-1313) and email: ping@charter.net.

Questions and thoughts for discussion:

1. In verse 7 Peter reminds us, “The end of all things is at hand.” How should this truth affect our priorities?

2. Peter tells us “love covers a multitude of sins.” How have you experienced the power of forgiveness in your relationships?

3. In verse 9 Peter encourages us to “show hospitality to one another without grumbling.” How often do you invite someone from our church over to your house for dinner? Make a list of people you can invite.

4. How has God gifted you? What difference does it make when you view yourself as a steward who has been entrusted with these gifts by God?

5. What are some practical ways that you can use your gifts to serve God, especially in our church?

6. How do you attempt to serve God in your own strength? According to verse 11, why is it important that you rely on the strength God supplies?

****SPEAK O LORD, continued***

Teach us Lord full obedience
Holy reverence true humility
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity
Cause our faith to rise
Cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority
Words of power that can never fail
Let their truth prevail over unbelief

Speak O Lord and renew our minds
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us
Speak O Lord till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Wine is located in the two outer rings; juice is located in the center ring.
(See FCC Observance on page 10)*

PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION

****O THE DEEP, DEEP LOVE OF JESUS - Hymn #535***

***BENEDICTION**

***Faith Covenant Church
exists to spread a love for God and His glory,
through the WORD:***

**Worship
Outreach
Relationship
Discipleship**

SERMON OUTLINE
May 11, 2014
Sermon: Pastor Shane Waldron
Sermon Series: 1 Peter- Living as Exiles
Sermon Title: *Reflections of Glory*

SERMON TEXT
1 Peter 4:7-11 (ESV)

Introduction: The Great Winter Apocalypse

We are called to be a community that reflects God's glory to the world...

I. Through the way we think

II. Through the way we love

III. Through the grace of God

⁷ The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers. ⁸ Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. ⁹ Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. ¹⁰ As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: ¹¹ whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.