

## 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*

**July 19, 2015**

*“This is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to him!”  
Luke 9:35*

## **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP:** *Isaiah 52:7-10*

Leader: How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, “Your God reigns.”

**All: The voice of your watchmen—they lift up their voice; together they sing for joy; for eye to eye they see the return of the LORD to Zion.**

Leader: Break forth together into singing, you waste places of Jerusalem, for the LORD has comforted his people; he has redeemed Jerusalem.

**All: The LORD has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.**

**\*TO GOD BE THE GLORY - Hymn #55**

*(\*Indicates when to stand)*

**\*WHOM SHALL I FEAR (GOD OF ANGEL ARMIES)**

You hear me when I call, you are my morning song.  
Though darkness fills the night it cannot hide the light.  
Whom shall I fear? You crush the enemy underneath my feet.  
You are my sword and shield though troubles linger still.  
Whom shall I fear?

*(Chorus)*

*I know who goes before me; I know who stands behind;  
the God of angel armies is always by my side.  
The one who reigns forever, he is a friend of mine;  
the God of angel armies is always by my side.*

My strength is in your name for you alone can save.  
You will deliver me, yours is the victory.  
Whom shall I fear? Whom shall I fear?

*(Chorus)*

*(Bridge)*

And nothing formed against me shall stand.  
You hold the whole world in your hands.  
I'm holding on to your promises; you are faithful, you are faithful.  
You are faithful.

*(Chorus 2x)*

*the God of angel armies is always by my side.*

**\*PRAYER OF PRAISE**

**\*TO THEE I COME**

To Thee I come a sinner poor, and wait for mercy at Thy door  
Indeed I've nowhere else to flee, O God be merciful to me  
To Thee I come a sinner weak, and scarce know how to pray or speak  
From fear and weakness set me free, O God be merciful to me  
To Thee I come a sinner vile, upon me Lord vouchsafe to smile  
Mercy through blood I make my plea, O God be merciful to me  
To Thee I come a sinner great, and well Thou knowest all my state  
Yet full forgiveness is with Thee, O God be merciful to me  
To Thee I come a sinner lost, nor have I aught wherein to trust  
But where Thou art Lord I would be, O God be merciful to me  
To glory bring me Lord at last, and there when all my sins are past  
With all the saints I'll then agree, *God was merciful to me*

**CALENDAR**

**TODAY**

8:30 a.m. – WORSHIP SERVICE  
9:45 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship  
10:30 a.m. – WORSHIP SERVICE

**THIS WEEK**

Tuesday – Elder/Deacon Meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the church

**LOOKING AHEAD**

Tuesdays – Music practice, 5:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.  
Wednesdays – Men's Fraternity Study, 6-7:30 a.m., at the church (Sept.-April)  
– Jr. & Sr. High Youth Groups 7:00 p.m. (Sept.-May)  
Weekly – Adult Small Groups (Sept.-May)  
1st Sundays – Diaconal Offering  
1st Tuesdays – Trustee Meeting  
3rd Tuesdays – Elders/Deacons' meeting, 7:00 p.m.  
2nd & 4th Tuesdays – Elizabeth Women, noon, at Jo Anne Ross' home, (Sept.-May)

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Sunday, July 26 – Mission Meal, 11:45 a.m. in the fellowship hall  
Tuesday, Aug. 4 – Trustees Meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the church  
Sunday, Aug. 9 – Mission Meal, 11:45 a.m. in the fellowship hall  
Thursday, Aug. 13 – Feed the Flathead, 5:30 p.m. at Central Christian Church  
Tuesday, Aug. 18 – Elder/Deacon Meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the church  
Friday-Monday, Sept. 4-7 – FCC Family Camp at Middle Thompson Lake  
Sunday, Sept. 13 – Sunday School Resumes for all ages

## 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.

### JULY VOLUNTEERS

DEACON OF THE MONTH ..... Mike Stahlberg  
NURSERY COORDINATOR..... Darcy Hearn  
*Direct Nursery questions, concerns, praises, etc., to Darcy at 270-8933.*

### TODAY

USHERS/GREETERS (8:30 AM)..... Russ Hadley & Carolyn Duncan  
USHERS/GREETERS (10:30 AM)..... Holderbaums  
CHILDREN'S CHURCH (10:30 AM service only)..... Tamie Jentz & Annie Hill  
First WORSHIP NURSERY (8:30 AM infants)..... Uzzis  
First WORSHIP NURSERY (8:30 AM toddlers thru 3yrs)..... Hearn  
Second WORSHIP NURSERY (10:30 AM infants)..... H. Hansons  
Second WORSHIP NURSERY (10:30 AM toddlers thru 3yrs) ..... Andersons  
FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS ..... Tamie Jentz & Sharon Thompson  
COMMUNION PREP..... Amy Bennett  
COMMUNION CLEAN-UP ..... Lori Vander Ark

### NEXT SUNDAY – JULY 26

USHERS/GREETERS (8:30 AM)..... Russ Hadley & Carolyn Duncan  
USHERS/GREETERS (10:30 AM)..... Holderbaums  
CHILDREN'S CHURCH (10:30 AM service only)..... Tamie Jentz & Annie Hill  
First WORSHIP NURSERY (8:30 AM infants) ..... Hearn  
First WORSHIP NURSERY (8:30 AM toddlers thru 3yrs)..... Neumanns  
Second WORSHIP NURSERY (10:30 AM infants)..... Tinkham  
Second WORSHIP NURSERY (10:30 AM toddlers thru 3yrs) ..... Andersons  
FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS..... Laura Pierson & Paula Saldamando  
COMMUNION PREP..... Dar Wassink  
COMMUNION CLEAN-UP ..... Donelle Holderbaum

## CALL TO CONFESSION

**SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION:** *Proverbs 6:20-21, 15*

My son, keep your father's commandment, and forsake not your mother's teaching. Bind them on your heart always; tie them around your neck ... A wicked man ... with perverted heart devises evil, continually sowing discord; therefore calamity will come upon him suddenly; in a moment he will be broken beyond healing.

**All: There are six things that the LORD hates, seven that are an abomination to him: a proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, a heart that devises wicked plans, feet that run to evil, a false witness who breathes out lies, and one who sows discord among brothers. (*Proverbs 6:16-19*)**

## SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

**DECLARATION OF GRACE:** *Psalm 118:19-21*

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD. This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it. I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

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

## CHRISTIAN BAPTISM OF:

*Declan James Gaines  
Kaia Joy Vander Ark*

## OFFERTORY & RESPONSE

*Reminder: please sign and pass the Attendance Register down the pew.  
10:30 a.m. Service: Children ages 4-6 excused for Children's Church (downstairs)*

## **THOU LOVELY SOURCE OF TRUE DELIGHT**

Thou lovely source of true delight whom I unseen adore;  
unveil thy beauties to my sight that I might love thee more,  
Oh that I might love thee more.

Thy glory o'er creation shines but in thy sacred word  
I read, in fairer, brighter lines, my bleeding dying Lord,  
see my bleeding, dying Lord.

'Tis here, whene'er my comforts droop and sin and sorrow rise,  
thy love with cheering beams of hope my fainting heart supplies,  
Oh, my fainting heart's supplied.

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***THOU LOVELY SOURCE OF TRUE DELIGHT, continued***

But ah! too soon the pleasing scene is clouded o'er with pain.  
My gloomy fears rise dark between and I again complain,  
Oh, and I again complain.

Jesus, my Lord, my life, my light, Oh come with blissful ray;  
break radiant through the shades of night and chase my fears away,  
won't you chase my fears away.

Then shall my soul with rapture trace the wonders of thy love;  
but the full glories of thy face are only known above,  
they are only known above.

**SERMON – *The Transfiguration* – Luke 9:28-36**

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

***\*O THE BLOOD***

O the blood, crimson love, price of life's demand;  
Shameful sin placed on him, the hope of ev'ry man.

*(Chorus)*

*O, the blood of Jesus washes me;  
O, the blood of Jesus shed for me;  
What a sacrifice that saved my life;  
Yes, the blood it is my victory.*

Savior, Son, Holy One, slain so I can live;  
O, see the Lamb, the great I Am, who takes away my sin.

*(Chorus)*

*(Bridge)*

O, the blood of the Lamb; O, the blood of the Lamb;  
What a sacrifice that saved my life; Yes the blood it is my victory.

O, what love, no greater love; Grace, how can it be  
that in my sin, yes, even then, he shed his blood for me.

*(Chorus)*

*What a sacrifice that saved my life;  
Yes, the blood, it is my victory.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**LOCAL OR REGIONAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR:** Young Life and YL Director Tim Herset

**MISSION PROJECT OR MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR:** Please pray for the LORD to bless, empower and expand for the sake of the Gospel of His Son, the design and construction and long-term use of Battambang Christian University in all of Cambodia. This Christian university is being expanded into a new 13 acre site by Youth With A Mission with the help of 100 Fold Studio.

**MISSION MEAL JULY 26:** Sign up in the foyer for the next Mission Meal Sunday, July 26, with Garrett and Sarah Morrison who just returned from several months working on a YWAM university campus in Battambang, Cambodia, with 100 Fold Studio. And on August 9, J & E, MTW missionaries in the Middle East, will join us for the summer's last Mission Meal.



**FCC FAMILY CAMP:** Mark your calendar now for FCC Family Camp Labor Day weekend Sept. 4-7, 2015. Plan to celebrate the end of summer with a weekend together with your church family! Watch for registration coming soon!

**COMMUNITY KITCHEN—FEEDING THE FLATHEAD:** Those of you who are volunteering with Feed the Flathead will serve next on **Thursday, August 13**, at **Central Christian Church**. If you have questions, contact Joyce Schmutz at 249-6370.

**ONLINE GIVING:** You may now give your offerings through the church website at [www.faithcov.com](http://www.faithcov.com). Click on the "launch secure giving" button and follow the simple directions to set up an account. Contact the office (752-2400) if you have questions.

**THREE DETAILED BIBLE READING PLANS** are available to you on the table in the Fellowship Hall to help you read through the Bible in a year.

**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.

**CHURCH OF THE CROSS DONATIONS:** If you would like to make a financial contribution to the Whitefish church plant with Pastor Aaron Scott, please make your check out to "Church of the Cross" and mail to P.O. Box 1012, Whitefish, MT 59937.

*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](mailto:office@faithcov.com).*

*Questions for Reflection & Discussion*

1. In what ways do you struggle to live for Jesus?
  
2. How have you experienced persecution for your faith? In what situations have you been ashamed of Christ?
  
3. How does Jesus' status and glory as our King motivate you to live for him?
  
4. Is it difficult for you to sacrifice for Jesus? What things do you cling to the most, and struggle to give up?
  
5. How does Christ's work as your Redeemer motivate you to sacrifice for him?

**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**

*\*IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL - Hymn #691*

**\*BENEDICTION**

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*“Serving One Another in Love” Galatians 5:13*

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**SERMON OUTLINE**  
**July 19, 2015**  
**Sermon: Pastor Shane Waldron**  
**Sermon Title: *The Transfiguration***

**SERMON TEXT**  
**Luke 9:28-36 (ESV)**

**We must live for Jesus, because he is:**

**I. Our King**

**II. Our Redeemer**

**<sup>23</sup> And he said to all, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. <sup>24</sup> For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it. <sup>25</sup> For what does it profit a man if he gains the whole world and loses or forfeits himself? <sup>26</sup> For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words, of him will the Son of Man be ashamed when he comes in his glory and the glory of the Father and of the holy angels. <sup>27</sup> But I tell you truly, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the kingdom of God.” <sup>28</sup> Now about eight days after these sayings he took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. <sup>29</sup> And as he was praying, the appearance of his face was altered, and his clothing became dazzling white. <sup>30</sup> And behold, two men were talking with him, Moses and Elijah, <sup>31</sup> who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. <sup>32</sup> Now Peter and those who were with him were heavy with sleep, but when they became fully awake they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. <sup>33</sup> And as the men were parting from him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah”—not knowing what he said. <sup>34</sup> As he was saying these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. <sup>35</sup> And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, “This is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to him!” <sup>36</sup> And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and told no one in those days anything of what they had seen.**