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*Spreading A Love for God and His Glory*

*June 10, 2018*

*“Then Judah said to his brothers,  
‘What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood?  
Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and let not our hand be  
upon him, for he is our brother, our own flesh.’  
And his brothers listened to him.”  
Genesis 37:26-27*

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Our worship is  
a response to  
God's initiative.  
The pattern of  
our worship  
reflects the  
gospel.*

### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP: Luke 1:46-47, Lamentations 5:19**

**Leader:** My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

**All:** You, O LORD, reign forever; your throne endures to all generations.

**Leader:** His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.

**All:** You, O LORD, reign forever; your throne endures to all generations. Blessed is the kingdom of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit now and forever.

### **\*CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS - Hymn #295**

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne  
Hark how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own  
Awake my soul and sing of Him who died for thee  
And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity

Crown Him the Lord of love behold His hands and side  
Rich wounds yet visible above in beauty glorified  
No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight  
But downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright

Crown Him the Lord of peace whose power a sceptre sways  
From pole to pole, that wars may cease, absorbed in prayer and praise  
his reign shall know no end and round His pierced feet  
fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet

Crown Him the Lord of years the Potentate of time  
Creator of the rolling spheres ineffably sublime  
All hail! Redeemer hail! for Thou hast died for me  
Thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity

**\*BEHOLD OUR GOD**

Who has held the oceans in his hands?  
Who has numbered every grain of sand?  
Kings and nations tremble at his voice.  
All creation rises to rejoice.

*(Chorus)*

*Behold our God, seated on his throne. Come let us adore him.  
Behold our King, nothing can compare. Come let us adore him!*

Who has given counsel to the Lord?  
Who can question any of his words?  
Who can teach the one who knows all things?  
Who can fathom all his wondrous deeds?

*(Chorus)*

Who has felt the nails upon his hands,  
bearing all the guilt of sinful man?  
God eternal, humbled to the grave,  
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign!

*(Chorus)*

*You will reign forever, you will reign forever! (2x)*  
*(Chorus)*

**\*PRAYER OF PRAISE**

**God Calls Us**  
The Lord summons his people to worship and we respond in obedience. The Lord's call is a call to action. We gather, praise, adore, give thanks, etc. The Call to Worship is a joyful summons and a clear reminder that worship is our coming into God's presence by his command, and not our command that He come into our presence.

*\*Indicates when to stand.*

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**\*SING TO JESUS**

Come and see, look on this mystery  
The Lord of the universe, nailed to a tree  
Christ our God, spilling His holy blood  
Bowing in anguish, His sacred head

Sing to Jesus, Lord of our shame  
Lord of our sinful hearts, He is our great redeemer  
Sing to Jesus, honor His name  
Sing of His faithfulness, pouring his life out unto death

Come, you weary, and He will give you rest  
Come you who mourn, lay on his breast  
Christ who died, risen in paradise  
Giver of mercy, giver of life

Sing to Jesus, His is the throne  
Now and forever, He is the King of Heaven  
Sing to Jesus, we are His own  
Now and forever, sing for the love, our God has shown

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## COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

### SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *Psalms 32:3-5*

When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy on me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer. Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord."

*All: (Sing together, first verse of the song on following page)*

Lord forgive us for our pride, when our faith becomes a show  
Dressed in righteous deeds to hide, all the stains below  
We have judged Your sons and daughters,  
for the sin that is our own  
May we now forgive each other, and lay down our stones

## SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

### DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Psalms 32:1-2*

Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord does not count against them and in whose spirit is no deceit.

### \*CONFESSION OF CHRIST'S GRACE:

*– The Heidelberg Catechism (1563), Question 1*

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

All: That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.

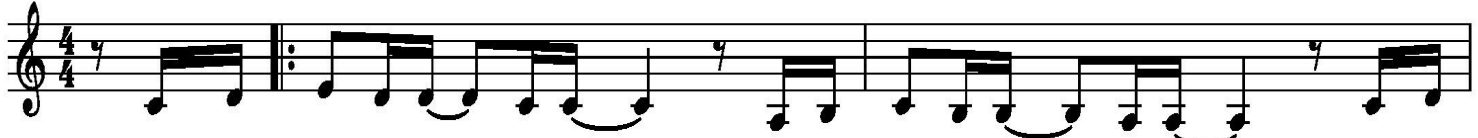
Leader: He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

All: Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

### **God Cleanses Us**

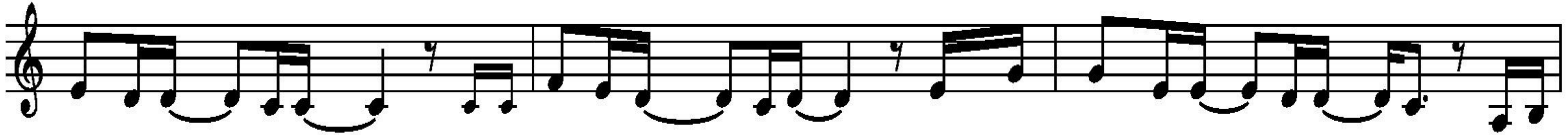
The biblical response to God's call to be in his presence is confessing our sins. We humble ourselves when we approach our God. This is a corporate prayer of all God's people. It is a great privilege of the gospel that we can stand forgiven before the Lord of glory.

# \*FORGIVEN



1. Lord, for - give us for \_ our pride \_ when our faith be - comes \_ a show, \_ dressed in  
 (2. Lord, for) - give us for \_ our love \_ of the things we wish \_ to own. \_ We for -  
 (3. Lord, for) - give us for \_ our shame \_ when we can't re - lease \_ the past, \_ when we're

3 Am F G Am



right-ous deeds \_ to hide \_ all the stains \_ be-low. \_ We have judged Your sons \_ and daugh - ters for the  
 -sake the feast \_ a -bove \_ for all the crumbs \_ be-low. \_ Though You've made us sons \_ and daugh - ters, we do  
 quick to take \_ the blame, \_ but for - get we're free \_ at last. \_ We a - void Your sons \_ and daugh - ters, for the

6 C/E F Dm C/E G C



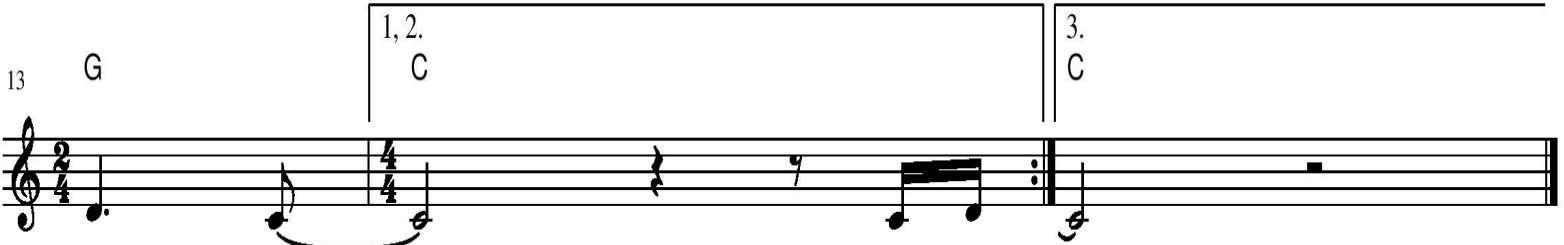
sin that is \_ our own. \_ May we now for-give \_ each oth - er \_ and lay \_ down our stones. \_ For -  
 not the world \_ dis-own. \_ May we find our great - est treas - ure \_ is in \_ You a - lone. \_  
 fear we don't \_ be-long. \_ Give us eyes to see \_ each oth - er \_ through Your \_ on - ly Son. \_

## CHORUS

10 G Am G/B C Am G/B C F



-giv - en, \_ for - giv - en. \_ Through the blood of Christ, we are for -



-giv - en. \_  
 2. Lord, for -  
 3. Lord, for -

## PUBLIC RECEPTION OF MEMBERS

*Jim & Arline Tinkham*

### OFFERTORY & RESPONSE

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

*11 a.m. Service: Children ages 4-6 excused for Children's Church (downstairs in the Corner Classroom)*

#### BE STILL MY SOUL - Hymn #689 vs. 1, 2, 4

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side;  
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;  
Leave to your God to order and provide;  
In ev'ry change he faithful will remain.  
Be still, my soul: your best, your heav'nly Friend  
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul: your God will undertake  
To guide the future as he has the past.  
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;  
All now mysterious shall be bright at last.  
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know  
His voice who ruled them while he dwelt below.

Be still, my soul: the hour is hast'ning on  
When we shall be for ever with the Lord,  
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,  
Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.  
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,  
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

#### \*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above ye heav'nly host,  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.

#### Offering

We give back to God a portion of what he has given us to use to declare that he is Lord of all. (This is part of our service as a church family, and visitors should not feel obligated to participate.)

*Sermon Series: Changing the Narrative*  
Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.  
*Meet the Family - Genesis 37:2-28 (ESV)*

<sup>2</sup> Joseph, being seventeen years old, was pasturing the flock with his brothers ... And Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. <sup>3</sup> Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his sons, because he was the son of his old age. And he made him a robe of many colors. <sup>4</sup> But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him and could not speak peacefully to him.

<sup>5</sup> Now Joseph had a dream, and when he told it to his brothers they hated him even more. <sup>6</sup> He said to them, "Hear this dream that I have dreamed: <sup>7</sup> Behold, we were binding sheaves in the field, and behold, my sheaf arose and stood upright. And behold, your sheaves gathered around it and bowed down to my sheaf." <sup>8</sup> His brothers said to him, "Are you indeed to reign over us? Or are you indeed to rule over us?" So they hated him even more for his dreams and for his words ... <sup>17</sup> So Joseph went after his brothers and found them at Dothan.

<sup>18</sup> They saw him from afar, and before he came near to them they conspired against him to kill him. <sup>19</sup> They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. <sup>20</sup> Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits. Then we will say that a fierce animal has devoured him, and we will see what will become of his dreams." <sup>21</sup> But when Reuben heard it, he rescued him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." <sup>22</sup> And Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but do not lay a hand on him" --that he might rescue him out of their hand to restore him to his father. <sup>23</sup> So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the robe of many colors that he wore. <sup>24</sup> And they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it.

<sup>25</sup> Then they sat down to eat. And looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming ... on their way ... to Egypt. <sup>26</sup> Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? <sup>27</sup> Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and let not our hand be upon him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers listened to him. <sup>28</sup> ... And they drew Joseph up and lifted him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty shekels of silver. They took Joseph to Egypt.



## Sermon Outline

### I. The Hate of a Broken Family

### II. The God Who Breaks the Broken

#### **God Consecrates Us**

Consecrate means to make holy, to set apart. The Word of God does that for the lives of believers. Through the sermon, confessions of faith, and the offering we are sanctified for service to our Lord to joyfully offer up our lives to him.

#### Sermon Questions

1. For the careful reader, Jacob as a father leaves a lot to be desired in Genesis. How has Jacob contributed to the mess we find in ch. 37?
2. We are not told that the two dreams of Joseph are from the Lord. We have to piece that together through the rest of the narrative. Does it surprise you that the Lord contributes to the circumstances where Joseph is hated by his brothers? What do you make of that?
3. To justify our sin, we see ourselves as the victims of the mistreatment of others. How do the brothers do this to Joseph who is much younger than they are? In reality, who should their anger be directed at?
4. While it is difficult to figure the exact ages, Reuben was about 30 when Joseph was 17. The brothers are old enough to know that Joseph had no real role in how their father treated him. Their hatred was something they had to construct to maintain. Where have you seen this in the maintaining of inner family conflicts?
5. How is Judah the silent protagonist of Genesis 37-49? What does the Lord take him through that allows his character to mature?
6. Jesus ultimately comes from the tribe of Judah. We would think that to be Joseph's privilege. How does this continue to show the message of the gospel?

**God Communes  
with Us**

The Lord strengthens and nourishes our faith through a sacramental meal. Through Jesus, communion with God has been reestablished. The covenant has been renewed. The Lord's Supper is the gospel made visible for us and we share in it as the full community of God's people.

**\*BY THY MERCY**

Jesus, Lord of life and glory, bend from heaven your gracious ear;  
While our waiting souls adore thee, friend of helpless sinners, hear:  
From the depth of nature's blindness, from the hardening power of sin,  
From all malice and unkindness, from the pride that lurks within,

*(Chorus)*

*By thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord  
By thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord, good Lord.*

When temptation sorely presses, in the day of Satan's power,  
In our times of deep distresses, in each dark and trying hour.  
When the world around is smiling, in the time of wealth and ease,  
Earthly joys our hearts beguiling, in the day of health and peace.

*(Chorus)*

In the weary hours of sickness, in the times of grief and pain,  
When we feel our mortal weakness, when all human help is vain.  
In the solemn hour of dying, in the awful judgment day,  
May our souls, on thee relying, find thee still our Rock and Stay.

*(Chorus 2x)*

**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 below)*

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.

## PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION

### \*MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING LESS - Hymn #521

My hope is built on nothing less, than Jesus' blood and righteousness  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name

*(Chorus)*

*On Christ the solid rock I stand; all other ground is sinking sand  
All other ground is sinking sand*

When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace  
In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.

*(Chorus)*

His oath, his covenant, his blood, support me in the whelming flood  
When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.

*(Chorus)*

When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found  
Dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne

*(Chorus)*

### \*BENEDICTION

*If you are in need of personal prayer, an elder is available up front after the service.*

### God Commissions Us

Having been richly blessed by the Lord in our worship, we are sent forth as his ambassadors of reconciliation into the world. Our worship of God as his people now extends into our lives throughout the week. We are to offer ourselves as living sacrifices to him in all areas of our lives.

#### Leaders & Staff

Senior Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.

*Staff:* Kristin Bay, Hanni Hanson, Carlynn Stahlberg, Kelly Brown, Sara Motley (*Nursery*)

*Elders:* Tim Anderson Grady Bennett, Tom Jentz, Trent Neumann, Don Olmsted,

Matt Riley, Micah Tinkham *Deacons:* Terry Falk, Kyle Hanson, Micah Hill, Ryan Petersen,

Mike Stahlberg, Bruce Tulloch, Phil Van Duyne *Music Directory:* Bekah Marsh

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**LOCAL OR REGIONAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR:** St. Peter Lutheran Church, Whitefish, Pastor Michael Flannery

**MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR:** Pray for Jim & Jill Hadlock serving with CRU in Florida on the Jesus Film Project for southern and eastern Africa.

**VBS VOLUNTEER MEETING:** If you didn't make last week's VBS meeting, please meet after second service TODAY, June 10, in the library to pick up curriculum, schedule and general info. Please call Kate Anderson (270-7836) with questions.

**BABY SHOWER:** Ladies are invited to a baby shower for Annie Lillard and Cora TONIGHT, June 10, at 7 p.m. at Hanni Hanson's home (107 Browns Rd. Kal.). If you would like to contribute to a group gift, contact Kristin ASAP (249-2411).

**LADIES' SUMMER BOOK CLUB:** Ladies are invited to our summer book club Wednesday, June 20, at 7 p.m. in the church library to discuss the first four chapters of "Liturgy of the Ordinary". For details, contact Kristin in the office (752-2400).

—SPACE PROBE VBS: Register now for this summer's VBS program!—

Monday-Thursday, June 25-28, at 6-8:30 p.m. For kids age 4 to entering 6th grade.

Go to [faithcov.com](http://faithcov.com) to register online or register in the foyer.

**COMMUNITY KITCHEN—FEEDING THE FLATHEAD:** Those of you who are volunteering with Feed the Flathead will serve this Thursday, June 14, at Central Christian. Contact Dawn Tinkham for details (208-640-6060).

**RETURN HOPE BABY BOTTLES:** Return your fundraiser baby bottles in the foyer to help Hope Pregnancy Ministries! Questions? Call 257-5700.

**CHURCH OF THE CROSS SERVICE:** You're invited to visit our PCA church plant in Whitefish for their monthly worship service, **Sunday, June 17**, at 5 p.m. at the Whitefish Foursquare church (233 Kalispell Ave). Childcare available.

**NIN FATHER'S DAY BRUNCH:** You're invited to a benefit brunch for Neighbors in Need on Sunday, June 17, at 10:30-1:30 at the Hampton Inn. Tickets are \$15 or \$12/seniors available at the door or call 752-7266. Silent auction and music included.

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**SERVING:** June Deacon - Bruce Tulloch

**WEEKLY/MONTHLY**

**Today (1st service/2nd service)**

Ushers: Russ Hadley & Carolyn Duncan/Sandy & Gloria Johnson

Children's Church: Gina Wright

Nursery 8:15 am: Saldamando & Gomez

Nursery 11 am: Clarks

Fellowship Hosts: Kate Anderson & Sam Hudson

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Amy Bennett/Theresa Paolini

**Next Sunday - June 17th**

Ushers: Russ Hadley & Carolyn Duncan/Sandy & Gloria Johnson

Children's Church: Carol Van Duyne

Nursery 8:15 am: Hernandez & Rowe

Nursery 11 am: Brown & Davis

Fellowship Hosts: Fellowship Committee

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Eileen Pierson/Benni Tulloch

**Worship Services**

Sundays 8:15 & 10 am

**Sunday School**

Sept.-May 10 am

**Music Practice**

Tuesdays 5:30 pm

**Elder/Deacon Meeting**

3rd Tuesdays 7 pm

**Youth Groups**

Sept.-May Wednesdays

**Young Adult College/Career Group**

Summer Wednesdays 6:30 pm

(Dinner & Study @ Andersons')

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