

FAITH 
COVENANT

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Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

August 12, 2018

*“When anxiety was great within me,
your consolation brought me joy.”*

Psalm 94:19

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

***CALL TO WORSHIP: 1 Chronicles 29:10-13**

Leader: Blessed are you, O LORD, the God of Israel our father, forever and ever.

All: Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours.

Leader: Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as head above all.

All: Both riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all. And now we thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name.

***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**

**Call to
Worship**

Worship begins with God who invites us and welcomes us into his presence. Because of Christ, we can approach God with boldness even though we are sinful and weak.

**Indicates when to stand.*

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***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)

COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *Matthew 6: 31-33*

Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

All: Lord, though you should guide us, we inform ourselves; though you should rule us, we control ourselves; though you should fulfill us, we console ourselves. Heal our confused minds with your word, heal our divided wills with your law, heal our troubled consciences with your love, heal our anxious hearts with your presence, all for the sake of your Son, who loved us and gave himself for us. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Ephesians 2:4-10*

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ— by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Call to Confession

We all sin daily, in thought and word and deed. As we come into God's presence, we acknowledge how we have rebelled against our King and seek his forgiveness.

***HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US**

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure.
That he should give his only Son to make a wretch his treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss; the Father turns his face away;
as wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon the cross, my sin upon his shoulders.
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held him there until it was accomplished.
His dying breath has brought me life; I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no power, no wisdom.
But I will boast in Jesus Christ, his death and resurrection.

*Why should I gain from his reward? I cannot give an answer.
But this I know with all my heart, his wounds have paid my ransom.*

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)

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.)

BE STILL MY SOUL - Hymn #689

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: when dearest friends depart,
And all is darkened in the vale of tears,
Then shall you better know his love, his heart,
Who comes to soothe your sorrow and your fears.
Be still, my soul: your Jesus can repay
From his own fullness all he takes away.

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.

Sermon Series: Summer Psalms & Proverbs
Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.
Be Still My Anxious Heart - Psalm 94:19

Psalm 94:19

When anxiety was great within me, your consolation brought me joy.

Psalm 55:1-7

Give ear to my prayer, O God, and hide not yourself from my plea for mercy!

² Attend to me, and answer me; I am restless in my complaint and I moan,

³ because of the noise of the enemy, because of the oppression of the wicked.

For they drop trouble upon me, and in anger they bear a grudge against me.

⁴ My heart is in anguish within me; the terrors of death have fallen upon me.

⁵ Fear and trembling come upon me, and horror overwhelms me.

⁶ And I say, "Oh, that I had wings like a dove! I would fly away and be at rest;

⁷ yes, I would wander far away; I would lodge in the wilderness;

Psalm 56:3-4

When I am afraid, I put my trust in you.

⁴ In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I shall not be afraid.

What can flesh do to me?

1 Peter 5:6-7

⁶ Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, ⁷ casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you.

Sermon Outline

I. Anxious? —Let me count the ways

Sermon Outline, *continued*

II. Help? —“Just stop it”

III. Hope? —Jesus has born my anxiety

Sermon

God addresses and speaks to us by the reading and preaching of his Word. Both Christians and non-Christians need to hear the good news of salvation and grow in it.

Sermon Questions

1. In what way is anxiety a failure to live in the present?
2. Consider: “The uneasy conscience that many Christians have, and the anxiety based on it, do not come about because they are sinners and backsliders but because they have stopped believing in the truth and efficacy of their beliefs; they measure the power of faith by their own weakness; they project God's world into their own psychological make up instead of letting God measure them. They do something that Christians are forbidden to do: they observed faith from the outside; they doubt the power of hope; they deprive themselves of the power of love; and they lie down to rest in the chasm between the demands of Christianity and their own failure, in a chasm that, for a Christian, is no place at all.”—Hans Urs von Balthasar
3. Why do we need to be careful to not just say to people: “Just stop being anxious”? What is the difference between accusation and offering hope?

***GUIDE ME O THOU GREAT JEHOVAH**

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but Thou art mighty; hold me with Thy powerful hand.

Bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore (2x)

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing waters flow;
Let the fiery cloudy pillar; lead me all my journey through.

Strong deliverer, be Thou still my strength and shield. (2x)

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of deaths, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side.

Songs of praises, I will ever give to Thee (2x)

Land me safe on Canaan's side, bid my anxious fears goodbye (4x)

Goodbye

The Lord's Supper

The gospel is not only heard, but visibly seen as God invites us to commune with him at his table. In the Lord's Supper we remember and experience Jesus' saving work.

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

All: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Leader: It is indeed good, right, and our delight that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

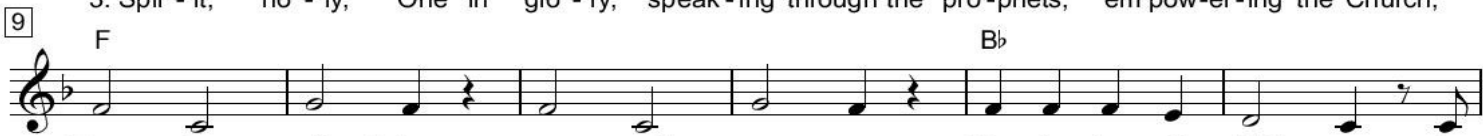
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PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION

*THIS IS OUR GOD



1. God, our Fa-ther, full of pow-er, Ma-ker of the hea-vens, Ma-ker of the world;
 2. Our Lord Je-sus sent to save us, born un-to a vir-gin, lived a per-fect life;
 3. Spir-it, ho-ly, One in glo-ry, speak-ing through the pro-phets, em-pow-er-ing the Church;

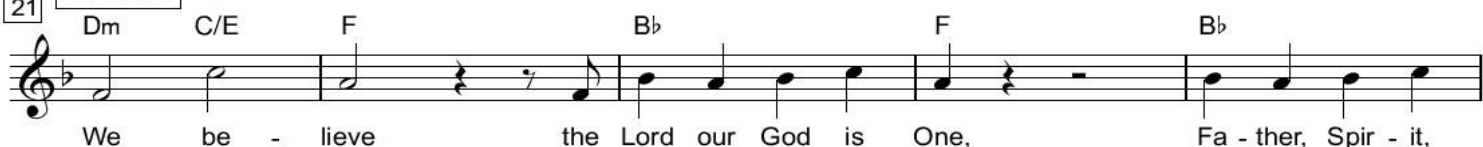


Form-ing all things, seen and un-seen, Tru-ly the Al-might-y be-
 Great-ly suf-fered, dy-ing for us. From the grave He's ris-en,
 Life is giv-en by and through Him, with the Son and Fa-ther, _____

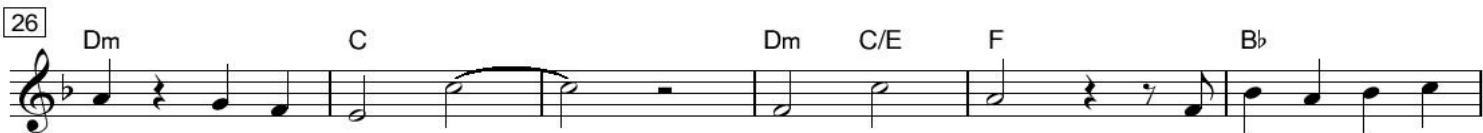


yond all mea-sured worth, Ho-ly is His Name. _____
 seat-ed now on high. Ho-ly is His Name. _____
 wor-shipped and a-dored. Ho-ly is His Name. _____

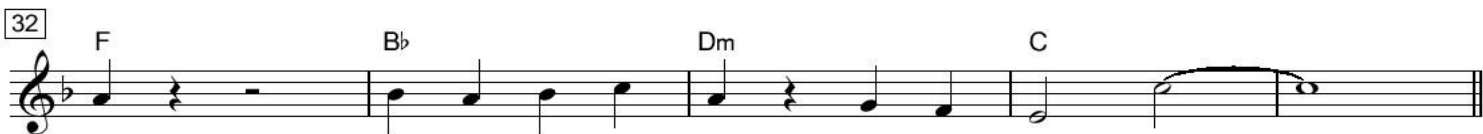
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We be-lieve the Lord our God is One, Fa-ther, Spir-it,

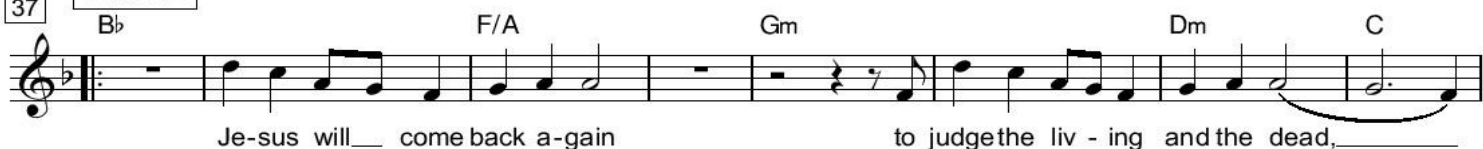


Son; this is our God! _____ We be-lieve for-ev-er He will



reign. Let the church pro-claim: this is our God!

BRIDGE



Je-sus will come back a-gain to judge the liv-ing and the dead, _____



ush-er in the age to come; let ev-ery-one sing a-men.



let ev-ery-oen sing a-men. _____

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*BENEDICTION

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL OR REGIONAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: The Church at Creston (Lutheran), Pastor Kyle Winter

MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: Pray for Jamie & Alissa Shattenberg with World Ventures in Madagascar

FAITH COVENANT CAMP: Register now for camp with your Faith Covenant family Friday-Sunday Sept. 21-23. Celebrate the end of summer with a weekend together at Thompson Lakes Christian Retreat! Registration forms are available in the foyer or **register online at faithcov.com**. Lodging includes bunk rooms, tent or RV sites. Total cost is \$100/family, \$70/couple, \$40/individual - payment due when you arrive at camp.

LADIES' SUMMER BOOK CLUB: Ladies are invited to our summer book club Wednesday, Aug. 15, at 7 p.m. in the church library to discuss **the last 3 chapters** of "Liturgy of the Ordinary". For details, contact Kristin in the office (752-2400).

FALL SERVICE TIMES will change to 8:15 a.m. and 11 a.m. on September 9 and Sunday School for all ages will resume Sept. 9 at 10 a.m.

CHURCH OF THE CROSS SERVICE: You're invited to visit our PCA church plant in Whitefish for their monthly worship service, **Sunday, Aug. 19**, at 5 p.m. at the Whitefish Foursquare church (233 Kalispell Ave). Childcare available.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES: Many hands make light work ... and a few more hands would help contribute here at Faith Covenant. Please consider helping with ushering, children's church, coffee hour, nursery, fellowship activities, or communion preparation! Contact the office (752-2400) to find out more!

ONLINE GIVING: You may give your offerings through the church website at 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.

SERVING: August Deacon - Micah Hill

Today (1st service/2nd service)

Ushers: Mike & Julie Thompson/Nick & Hanni Hanson

Children's Church: Hanni & Zephy Hanson

Early Nursery: Hunter/Hobus

Late Nursery: Buckners

Fellowship Hosts: Eileen Pierson & Cathy Hanson

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Eileen Pierson/Yvonne Hernandez

Next Sunday - August 19th

Ushers: Russ Hadley & Carolyn Duncan/Nick & Hanni Hanson

Children's Church: Carol Van Duyne

Early Nursery: H. Hansons

Late Nursery: Rileys

Fellowship Hosts: Julie Thompson & Sharon Salyer

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Carolyn Duncan/Theresa Paolini

WEEKLY/MONTHLY

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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