

FAITH 
COVENANT

C H U R C H

Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

September 1, 2019

*“We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul,
a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain,
where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf.”*

Hebrews 6:19-20

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MINISTRY: *Living Waters Ministries*

*CALL TO WORSHIP: *Psalm 96:1-4*

Leader: Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth! Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.

*ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING

All creatures of our God and King
Lift up your voice and with us sing
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Thou, burning sun with golden beam
Thou, silver moon with softer gleam
O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless
And worship Him in humbleness
O praise Him! Alleluia
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son
And praise the Spirit, Three in One!
O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

All the Redeemed washed by His blood
Come and rejoice in His great love
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Christ has defeated every sin
Cast all your burdens now on Him
O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

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ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING, *continued

He shall return in pow'r to reign
Heaven and earth will join to say
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Then who shall fall on bended knee?
All creatures of our God and King
O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***PRAISE THE FATHER, PRAISE THE SON**

O Sov'reign God, O matchless King, the saints adore, the angels sing,
and fall before the throne of grace; to you belong the highest praise.

These sufferings, this passing tide, under your wings I will abide,
and ev'ry enemy shall flee; you are my hope and victory.

(Chorus)

*Praise the Father, praise the Son, praise the Spirit, three in one;
clothed in power and in grace, the name above all other names.*

To the valley, for my soul; thy great descent has made me whole!
Your word my heart has welcomed home; now peace like water ever flows.

(Chorus 2x)

(Bridge 2x)

Yours is the kingdom, yours is the power, yours is the glory forever!

(Chorus)

the name above all other names.

***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.

*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: *Isaiah 29:13-14*

And the Lord said: "Because this people draw near with their mouth and honor me with their lips, while their hearts are far from me, and their fear of me is a commandment taught by men, therefore, behold, I will again do wonderful things with this people, with wonder upon wonder; and the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the discernment of their discerning men shall be hidden."

All: O Lord, forgive us our failure to keep your commandments. We confess that we often cleanse the outside of our lives, yet do nothing about the inside of our hearts. Outside we look righteous, moral and upright, yet inside we are filled with anger, lust, greed and idolatry. Outwardly we go to church, give money and read your Word, yet inwardly we neglect justice, purity, love, encouraging speech and mercy. Lord, we should have done the latter without neglecting the others. We have thrust ourselves into the best positions, because we thought we deserved them, yet the truth is we are unworthy of any blessing. Have mercy on us for being like the Pharisees. May you cleanse us—all of us and all of we are—from the inside out (*Adapted from Luke 11:37-52*)

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Joel 2:12-13*

"Yet even now," declares the LORD, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your hearts and not your garments." Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster.

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.

***ALL I HAVE IS CHRIST**

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ! Hallelujah! Jesus is my life!

I once was lost in darkest night yet thought I knew the way
The sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave
I had no hope that You would own a rebel to Your will
And if You had not loved me first I would refuse You still

But as I ran my hell-bound race indifferent to the cost
You looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross
And I beheld God's love displayed You suffered in my place
You bore the wrath reserved for me now all I know is grace

(Chorus)

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ! Hallelujah! Jesus is my life!

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Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone and live so all might see
The strength to follow Your commands could never come from me
O Father, use my ransomed life in any way You choose
And let my song forever be my only boast is You

(Chorus)

CHRISTIAN BAPTISM OF:

Jane Eloise Motley

OFFERTORY & RESPONSE

Diaconal Offering today: Please use the Special Offering envelopes located in the pew racks.

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)

THERE IS A FOUNTAIN FILLED WITH BLOOD

There is a fountain filled with blood drawn from Immanuel's veins.
And sinners plunged beneath that flood lose all their guilty stains;
And sinners plunged beneath that flood lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see that fountain in his day
and there may I though vile as he, wash all my sins away;
and there may I though vile as he, wash all my sins away.

Dear dying Lamb thy precious blood shall never lose its power
'till all the ransomed church of God be saved to sin no more;
'till all the ransomed church of God be saved to sin no more.

E'er since by faith I saw the stream Thy flowing wounds supply
redeeming love has been my theme and shall be 'till I die;
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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.)

Summer Psalms & Proverbs
Pastor John Sackett
Hope: An Anchored Soul — Psalm 43 (ESV)

Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause
against an ungodly people,
from the deceitful and unjust man deliver me!

² For you are the God in whom I take refuge;
why have you rejected me?

Why do I go about mourning
because of the oppression of the enemy?

³ Send out your light and your truth; let them lead me;
let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling!

⁴ Then I will go to the altar of God, to God my exceeding joy,
and I will praise you with the lyre, O God, my God.

⁵ Why are you cast down, O my soul,
and why are you in turmoil within me?

Hope in God; for I shall again praise him,
my salvation and my God.

Sermon Outline

I. Call for Restoration

Sermon Outline, *continued*

II. Being led into Restoration

III. Living in Restoration

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. How do I normally respond when I feel overwhelmed or spiritually attacked?
2. What does it mean to “take refuge” in God? What do I actually do (or how do I think) differently when I am taking refuge in God?
3. What is different about God’s “Light and Truth” helping me (in Psalm 43) versus using “remembrance/memories” (as in Psalm 42) to help me through difficult times?
4. How can “Hope” actually anchor our soul?

Children’s Question

Why is the Bible often referred to as “Light”? Why is it so important to know that the Bible is Truth? If God’s Word is Light and Truth, how can that help you when you are sad or confused?

**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 LORD IS MY SALVATION**

The grace of God has reached for me
And pulled me from the raging sea
And I am safe on this solid ground
The Lord is my salvation

I will not fear when darkness falls
His strength will help me scale these walls
I'll see the dawn of the rising sun
The Lord is my salvation

(Chorus)

*Who is like the Lord our God? Strong to save, faithful in love
My debt is paid and the vict'ry won, the Lord is my salvation*

My hope is hidden in the Lord
He flow'rs each promise of His Word
When winter fades I know spring will come
The Lord is my salvation

And when I reach my final day
He will not leave me in the grave
But I will rise, He will call me home
The Lord is my salvation

(Chorus 2x)

Glory be to God the Father
Glory be to God the Son
Glory be to God the Spirit
The Lord is our salvation *(Bridge 2x)*
The Lord is our salvation *(2x)*

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Wine is located in the two outer rings; juice is located in the center ring.

PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION

*COMMUNION HYMN

Our Father we give you thanks and praise
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home

Dying and living, declaring your love,
He gave His grace and opened the gates of glory to us

(Chorus)

*So may we who share in Christ's body live his risen life
We who drink His cup bring life to others
We whom the Spirit lights bring light to the world*

Keep us firm in the hope that You've set before us
so we and all Your children shall be free (2x)

(Chorus 2x)

*BENEDICTION

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

Benediction

Just as worship begins with God's call, it ends with God sending us into the world with his word of grace. We go forth to live and serve by the power of his grace, not our own strength.

Leaders & Staff

Senior Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D. — Associate Pastor John Sackett

Youth/Refuge Director: Ben Melli Music Director: Bekah Marsh

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

Elders: Tim Anderson, Grady Bennett (*sabbatical*), 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

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL OR REGIONAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: All of our public, private and home school teachers and students starting the new school year.

MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: Pray for J & K serving with PCA's Mission to the World

FALL SERVICE TIMES will change to 8:15 a.m. and 11 a.m. on September 8.

DIACONAL OFFERING: This morning we share in worshipping through our diaconal offering for those needing assistance. Please use the Special Offering envelopes in the pew racks.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES will begin Sunday, Sept. 8, at 10 a.m. The adult Sunday School classes will be "Vanity Fair: A Study in Ecclesiastes" with Pastor John Sackett and a money management class with church deacons. Sign up in the foyer for classes.

REGISTER SOON! FAITH COVENANT CAMP: Register now for camp with your Faith Covenant family Friday-Sunday Sept. 20-22. Celebrate the end of summer with a weekend together at Thompson Lakes Christian Retreat! Registration forms in the foyer. Lodging includes bunk rooms, tent or RV sites. Total cost is \$100/family, \$70/couple, \$40/individual.

FALL SMALL GROUPS: If you are interested in joining, hosting or leading, (or learning more about) a small group, please sign up in the foyer.

FALL WOMEN'S GROUPS: Ladies are invited to study the book *Women of the Word* with Susie Sullivan on Wednesdays starting Sept. 18 at 9:30-11 at the church. Sign up in the foyer. **Elizabeth Women's senior group** will start meeting Sept. 10 on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at noon for a study in 1 Peter. Contact JoAnn Ross for details (250-3831). **Moms Helping Moms group** will meet again Wednesday, Sept. 11, 10 a.m. at Cathy Hanson's home (231 Northland Dr., Kalispell). Call Sharon Salyer with questions (212-1758).

COLLEGE/CAREER BIBLE STUDY will continue to meet during the school year once a month on Wednesdays starting Sept. 11 at 6:30 p.m. (225 Terrace Road, Kalispell). Come and enjoy dinner and study, and bring a friend! Contact Tim (270-4951) with questions.

VESPERS SERVICE: Join us for Vespers the second Sundays starting Sept. 8 at 6:30 p.m. Come unplug and recharge with this evening service of prayer and song. Childcare provided.

DOMESTIC ABUSE EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR: Everyone is invited Thursday, Sept 12, 8:30 am - 4 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Former Refuge Director Sissy Hashley will cover understanding abuse Biblically and how to help those in abusive relationships. Sign up in the foyer or contact Benni Tulloch (270-7321 benitatulloch@gmail.com).

SERVING: September Deacon - Terry Falk

WEEKLY/MONTHLY

Today (1st service/2nd service)

Ushers: Nick & Hanni Hanson/Jim & Ellen Rowe
Children's Church: Sharon Salyer
Early Nursery: Hernandez/Rowe
Late Nursery: Tinkhams
Fellowship Hosts: Carolyn Duncan/Alyssa Hobus
Communion Prep/Cleanup: Eileen Pierson/Theresa Paolini

Next Sunday September 8th

Ushers: Nick & Hanni Hanson/James & Belinda Mileur
Children's Church: Hanni & Zephy Hanson
Early Nursery: J. Thompson
Late Nursery: Mattern
Fellowship Hosts: Paula Saldamando/Judy Fosbery
Communion Prep/Cleanup: Susie Sullivan/Benni Tulloch

Worship Services

Sundays 8:15 & 10 am

Sunday School

Sept.-May 10 am

Music Practice

Tuesdays 6 pm

Elder/Deacon Meeting

3rd Tuesdays 7 pm

Youth Groups

Sept.-May Wednesdays 7 pm

Vespers

2nd Sundays 6:30 pm

Elizabeth Women Group

2nd & 4th Tuesdays

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