

FAITH 
COVENANT

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Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

August 18, 2019

*“Do not be afraid of sudden terror or of the ruin of the wicked,
when it comes, for the LORD will be your confidence
and will keep your foot from being caught.”*

Proverbs 3:25-26

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

*CALL TO WORSHIP: *Psalm 145:18-21*

Leader: The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

All: He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he also hears their cry and saves them.

Leader: The LORD preserves all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy.

All: My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD, and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.

*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)

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***PRAYER OF PRAISE**

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father, who art in heaven
Hallowed be thy name
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done
On earth as it is in heaven

Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive our sins
As we forgive those who have sinned against us

And lead us not into temptation, deliver us from evil
For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever.

Amen, amen
(Repeat All)

And lead us not into temptation, deliver us from evil
For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever.

Amen, amen, amen

**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.

COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *Romans 6:12-13*

Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness.

Leader: Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? (*Romans 6:1-2*)

All: “By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it?”

Leader: Let us confess our sins together.

All: God of grace, you love me, but I have not loved you. You call, but I have not listened. I walk away from my neighbors in need, wrapped up in my own concerns. By my action and my attitude I praise what you condemn. Help me to admit my sin, so that as you come to me in mercy, I may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness; through Jesus Christ my Redeemer.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Psalms 16:9-11*

Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest secure, because you will not abandon me to the grave, nor will you let your Holy One see decay. You have made known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.

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

Oh, the deep, deep love of Jesus, vast, unmeasured, boundless, free!

Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me!

Underneath me, all around me, is the current of thy love -
leading onward, leading homeward, to that glorious rest above!

Oh, the deep, deep love of Jesus - spread his praise from shore to shore!

How he loves us, ever loves us, changes never, nevermore!

How he watches o'er his loved ones, died to call them all his own;
how for them he's interceding, watching o'er them from the throne!

Oh, the deep, deep love of Jesus, love of every love the best!

'Tis an ocean vast of blessing, 'tis a haven sweet of rest!

Oh, the deep, deep love of Jesus - 'tis heaven of heavens to me;
and it lifts me up to glory, for it lifts me up to thee!

**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.

PUBLIC RECEPTION OF MEMBERS

Max & Debbie Corder

Jes & Jessica Brown

CHRISTIAN BAPTISM OF:

Jes Brown

Jessica Brown

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)

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*

continued above

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.)

THE LORD IS MY SALVATION, *continued*

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)

*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*

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*)

Summer Psalms & Proverbs
Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.
Pushing Against Our Weakness — Proverbs 3:19-26 (ESV)

- ¹⁹ The LORD by wisdom founded the earth;
by understanding he established the heavens;
²⁰ by his knowledge the deeps broke open, and the clouds drop down the dew.
²¹ My son, do not lose sight of these-- keep sound wisdom and discretion,
²² and they will be life for your soul and adornment for your neck.
²³ Then you will walk on your way securely, and your foot will not stumble.
²⁴ If you lie down, you will not be afraid; when you lie down, your sleep will be sweet.
²⁵ Do not be afraid of sudden terror or of the ruin of the wicked, when it comes,
²⁶ for the LORD will be your confidence and will keep your foot from being caught.

Titus 2:11-14

¹¹ For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, ¹² training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, ¹³ waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, ¹⁴ who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

Sermon Outline

I. That's Just the Way I Am

Sermon Outline, *continued*

II. This Is the Way Jesus wants Me to Be

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. Grace trains us to grow in Christ likeness. What areas of your life need to see growth take place?
2. Patience is not a substance, it is an action. To pray for patience is to pray that we act a certain way when we don't want to. Why is this important to remember?
3. Consider: "Few things are more of an obstacle to steady growth in grace than a preoccupation with problems we cannot solve, difficulties that seem to exacerbate the trials of life, or sorrows that in the nature of the case can find no compensation in this world. Here we need to bring every thought captive to Christ. That takes great grace. But it is the only way." —Sinclair Ferguson. How have you seen this reality at work in your own life?
4. Like the need for physical therapy after an injury, if we do not bend and stretch parts of our character, it will not develop. How does grace train us for new growth? How do we keep this from being only about more self-discipline? How do we make sure that we don't make it about no self-discipline?
5. Sanctification is one of those "opposite poles" parts of our theology. A grace that moves us to real action. In what ways does this seem discouraging to you? How does walking with Jesus encourage your change?

Children's Question

*What areas of your life are you wanting to see the grace of Christ transform?
How are you training yourself by grace to change?*

**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.

***I SHALL NOT WANT**

From the love of my own comfort
From the fear of having nothing
From a life of worldly passions
Deliver me O God

From the need to be understood
And from a need to be accepted
From the fear of being lonely
Deliver me O God, deliver me O God

And I shall not want, no, I shall not want
When I taste Your goodness, I shall not want
When I taste Your goodness, I shall not want

From the fear of serving others
And from the fear of death and trial
And from the fear of humility
Deliver me O God, deliver me O God

And I shall not want, no, I shall not want
When I taste Your goodness, I shall not want
And I shall not want, no, I shall not want
When I taste Your goodness, I shall not want

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Wine is located in the two outer rings; juice is located in the center ring.
(See FCC observance 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.

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

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 Music Director: Bekah Marsh

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For more about Faith Covenant and the Presbyterian Church in America, go to faithcov.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL OR REGIONAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: Calvary Chapel, Flathead Valley, Pastor David Mercer

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

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 are available in the foyer. Lodging includes bunk rooms, tent or RV sites. Total cost is \$100/family, \$70/couple, \$40/individual - payment due when you arrive at camp.

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

VESPERS SERVICE: Join us for Vespers the second Sunday of the month starting Sept. 8 at 6:30 p.m. Come unplug from the constant distraction of modern life and recharge with this brief evening service of silence and symbol, prayer and song. Child-care provided.

SMALL GROUPS: Small groups will start up again in September. Are you looking for opportunities to facilitate, host or join a small group near you or in an area of interest? Watch for more information coming soon!

FALL WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY: 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.

SERVING: August Deacon - Bruce Tulloch

Today (1st service/2nd service)

Ushers: John & Susie Sullivan/Brian & Kristin Bay

Children's Church: Brenda & Maraeah Buckner

Early Nursery: Saldamando & Jentz

Late Nursery: Falks

Fellowship Hosts: Kristin Bay & Kelly Brown

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Carol Martin/Jeanie Brenneman

Next Sunday August 25th

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

Children's Church: Sharon Salyer

Early Nursery: Motleys

Late Nursery: Russells

Fellowship Hosts: Laura Pierson & Marlo Lancaster

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Gloria Hanson/Yvonne Hernandez

WEEKLY/MONTHLY

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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