

FAITH 
COVENANT

C H U R C H

Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

September 13, 2020

*“For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve,
and to give his life as a ransom for many.”
Mark 10:45*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

***CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 9:1-2, 9-11**

Leader: I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart; I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

All: I will be glad and exult in you; I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

Leader: The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble.

All: And those who know your name put their trust in you, for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek you.

Leader: Sing praises to the LORD, who sits enthroned in Zion! Tell among the peoples his deeds!

***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

***PRAYER OF PRAISE**

***ALL THE POOR AND POWERLESS**

All the poor and powerless
And all the lost and lonely
And all the thieves will come confess
And know that You are holy
And know that You are holy

(Chorus)

*And all will sing out hallelujah
And we will cry out hallelujah*

All the hearts who are content
And all who feel unworthy
And all who hurt with nothin' left
Will know that You are holy

(Chorus 2x)

Shout it, go on and scream it from the mountains
Go on and tell it to the masses
That He is God (3x)

(Chorus 2x)

Shout it, go on and scream it from the mountains
Go on and tell it to the masses
That He is God

**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.

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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.

The Apostle's Creed

The Apostle's Creed is an ancient summary of what Christians believe. By confessing the Creed in worship, we are uniting with all of God's people in our common faith in Christ.

We joyfully declare who we are while we remember what truly matters.

The word "catholic" is a Greek word that simply means 'universal'. It speaks of all Christians everywhere.

COMMON CONFSSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *Psalm 130:3*

If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?

All: Out of the depths we cry to you, O LORD! O Lord, hear our voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of our pleas for mercy! Grant us forgiveness, O LORD, for our iniquities are many. For the sake of Jesus, the Redeemer of your people, wipe away our sins. In your mercy renew us, and spur us on to love you, and to love one another, as we wait upon you in hope. Amen. (*Adapted from Psalm 130*)

SILENT CONFSSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Psalm 130:7-8*

O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption. And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

***COMMON CONFSSION OF FAITH: APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God the Father almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty,
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

***DEATH WAS ARRESTED**

Alone in my sorrow and dead in my sin
Lost without hope with no place to begin
Your love Made a way to let mercy come in
When death was arrested and my life began

Ash was redeemed only beauty remains
My orphan heart was given a name
My mourning grew quiet my feet rose to dance
When death was arrested and my life began

(Chorus)

*Oh your grace so free washes over me
You have made me new, now life begins with you
It's your endless love, pouring down on us
You have made us new, now life begins with you*

Released from my chains I'm a prisoner no more
My shame was a ransom he faithfully bore
He cancelled my debt and he called me his friend
When death was arrested and my life began

(Chorus)

Our savior displayed on a criminal's cross
Darkness rejoiced as though heaven had lost
But then Jesus arose with our freedom in hand
That's when death was arrested and my life began

(Chorus)

Oh we're free free, Forever we're free
Come join the song of all the redeemed
Yes we're free free, forever amen
When death was arrested, and my life began *(Bridge 2x)*
When death was arrested and my life began

OFFERTORY: *(Offerings can be mailed to the church or given online at faithcov.com).*
Children ages 4-6 excused for Children's Church 9:30 & 11 services (downstairs 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.)

Sermon Series: Serve, Sacrifice & Die — A Biblical Mission Statement

Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.

A Serving Messiah — Mark 10:35-45 (ESV)

³⁵ And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” ³⁶ And he said to them, “What do you want me to do for you?” ³⁷ And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” ³⁸ Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?” ³⁹ And they said to him, “We are able.” And Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, ⁴⁰ but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.” ⁴¹ And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. ⁴² And Jesus called them to him and said to them, “You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. ⁴³ But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

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 Outline

- I. The Human Nature Problem

- II. The Nature of Christ’s Solution

Sermon Questions

1. What about the request of James and John is so predictable about ambition? How have you seen your own life caught up in playing the game of success and ambition?
2. The inner three (Peter, James, and John), all have shown a great slowness to understand Jesus and his mission. What about Jesus gives us hope as we see our own ineptitude in following him?
3. What does it mean to say that James and John “got the who, but not the what”? Have you struggled with this in your walk following Jesus?
4. Consider: “To fail in being a servant is not simply to fall short of an ideal condition but to stand outside of an existing condition that corresponds to the kingdom of God.” —James Edwards. Jesus gives a radical condition of the kingdom. How is this a part of his “alien” righteousness that must be imputed to us?

Children's Question

*Jesus came to serve others. To follow Jesus means that we must serve others also.
How does Jesus help us to serve others when we don't want to?*

***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

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.

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.

SERVING: September Deacon – Terry Falk

WEEKLY/MONTHLY

Today (1st service/2nd service)

Children's Church: 9:30 Hanni & Zephy Hanson — 11 Julie Thompson

Nursery: 9:30 J. Thompson— 11 Matters

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Fenners/Benni Tulloch

Next Sunday September 20th

Children's Church: 9:30 Tom Jentz — 11 Julie Thompson

Nursery: 9:30 Motley— 11 Lancaster

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Fosberys/Arline Tinkham

Worship Services

8, 9:30 & 11 am

Streaming Sundays

at 11 am

Vespers

2nd Sunday of the

month at 6:30 p.m.

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PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION

*HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION - *Hymn # 94, vs. 1-3, 6*

How firm a foundation you saints of the Lord
is laid for your faith in his excellent word.

What more can he say than to you he has said
to you who for refuge to Jesus has fled.

Fear not I am with you O be not dismayed
for I am your God and will still give you aid.
I'll strengthen you help you and cause you to stand
upheld by my righteous omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call you to go
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow
For I will be with you, your troubles to bless
And sanctify to you, your deepest distress

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose
I will not I will not desert to His foes.
*That soul though all hell should endeavor to shake
I'll never no never no never forsake.*

*BENEDICTION

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: Trinity Lutheran Church, Kalispell

MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: David & Ulrike Byle, Bible Correspondence Course

VESPERS: Join us TONIGHT 6:30 p.m. for our monthly Vespers service.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES: Two Bible study groups will begin Wednesday, Sept. 16, one at 9:30 a.m. at the church (Ephesians) and one at 1:15 p.m. with Gloria Johnson (*In His Image*, Jen Wilkin). Sign up by Sept. 13 in the foyer or email Bekah Marsh (jjm.rsm@gmail.com).

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER MEETING will be Sunday, Sept. 20, at 9:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall.

WOMEN'S POTLUCK: Ladies, mark your calendar for a potluck lunch Sunday, Sept. 27, of "Hometown Eats" after church. Space will be limited so sign up online or on the enewsletter. Come for fellowship and updates on the future of women's ministries at Faith Covenant. Contact Becky Neumann with questions (212-7664).