

FAITH 
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Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

October 11, 2020

*“Let each of you look not only to his own interests,
but also to the interests of others.”
Philippians 2:4*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

***CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 118:1-4**

Leader: Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

All: Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

Leader: Let the house of Aaron say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

All: Let those who fear the LORD say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

***OUR GREAT GOD**

Eternal God, unchanging, mysterious and unknown
Your boundless love unfailing, in grace and mercy shown
Bright seraphim in endless flight around your glorious throne
They raise their voices day and night in praise to you alone.

(Chorus)

Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!

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Lord, we are weak and frail, helpless in the storm
Surround us with your angels, hold us in your arms
Our cold and ruthless enemy, his pleasure is our harm
Rise up, oh Lord, and he will flee before our Sovereign God.

(Chorus)

Let every creature in the sea and every flying bird
Let every mountain, every field and valley of the earth
Let all the moons and all the stars in all the universe
Sing praises to the living God, who rules them by his word

(Chorus x2)

***PRAYER OF PRAISE**

***SCRIPTURE OF PRAISE: Psalm 36:5-7**

All: Your love, LORD, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies. Your righteousness is like the highest mountains, your justice like the great deep ... How priceless is your unfailing love, O God!

***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

**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.

COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *Galatians 3:10-11*

For all who rely on works of the law are under a curse; for it is written, "Cursed be everyone who does not abide by all things written in the Book of the Law, and do them." Now it is evident that no one is justified before God by the law, for "The righteous shall live by faith."

All: O Lord, how can we stand before you with our numbered and aggravated offenses?

Leader: We have taken your grace for granted; it has failed to stun us today. We have arrogantly believed that we deserve your grace and thus have mocked your gospel.

All: We have run after vain idols and thus forsaken your sufficiency.

Leader: We have not loved your church that you bought with your own blood.

All: Forgive us, Lord. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not interceded for the world around us.

Leader: We have failed to be your priests and we have broken your covenant. Lord, it is only because of your compassions through Jesus Christ that we are not consumed.

All: Lead us to repentance and save us from despair.

Leader: Lord, we have no excuse, but we do have Jesus who has become sin for us so that, in him, we might become the righteousness of God.

All: Help us believe the gospel for your glory.

(Prayer of Confession from the 31st General Assembly of the PCA)

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Galatians 2:20*

I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

***CHRIST IS MINE FOREVERMORE**

Mine are days that God has numbered, I was made to walk with Him
Yet I look for worldly treasure and forsake the King of kings
But mine is hope in my Redeemer though I fall, his love is sure
For Christ has paid for every failing, I am His forevermore

Mine are tears in times of sorrow, darkness not yet understood
Through the valley I must travel where I see no earthly good
But mine is peace that flows from heaven and the strength in times of need
I know my pain will not be wasted, Christ completes his work in me

Mine are days here as a stranger, pilgrim on a narrow way
One with Christ I will encounter harm and hatred for his name
But mine is armor for this battle, strong enough to last the war
And he has said he will deliver safely to the golden shore

And mine are keys to Zion city, where beside the King I walk
For there my heart has found its treasure
Christ is mine forevermore

*Come rejoice now, O my soul, for his love is my reward
Fear is gone and hope is sure, Christ is mine forevermore! (3x)*

And mine are keys to Zion city, where beside the King I walk
For there my heart has found its treasure
Christ is mine forevermore

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 Sacrificing Savior — Philippians 2:1-8 (ESV)

¹ So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, ² complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³ Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. ⁴ Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. ⁵ Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

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. Looking out for number one

- II. Number One looking out for us

Sermon Questions

1. Humility was not considered a virtue by the ancient Greeks. How has Christianity turned this around?
2. Consider: “Jesus did not exchange the nature or form of God for that of a slave; instead he displayed the nature or form of God in the nature or form of a slave ... Divine equality meant sacrificial self-giving.” — Peter O’Brien. How does this help us understand the nature of who God is?
3. Jesus demonstrates what it means to be God by giving instead of getting. How is this so different from what we think of as leadership?
4. Jesus did not empty himself of his divinity. Why is it important that we remember this?
5. How has the Lord called you to follow Jesus in the way of sacrifice?

Children's Question

Why do you think it is so hard to give up something for someone else?

How does Jesus encourage you to sacrifice for others?

*COME BEHOLD THE WONDROUS MYSTERY

Come behold the wondrous mystery, in the dawning of the King
He the theme of heaven's praises, robed in frail humanity
In our longing, in our darkness, now the light of life has come
Look to Christ, who condescended, took on flesh to ransom us.

Come behold the wondrous mystery, he the perfect Son of Man
In his living, in his suffering, never trace nor stain of sin
See the true and better Adam, come to save the hell-bound man
Christ the great and sure fulfillment of the law, in him we stand.

Come behold the wondrous mystery, Christ the Lord upon the tree
In the stead of ruined sinners hangs the Lamb in victory
See the price of our redemption, see the Father's plan unfold
Bringing many sons to glory, grace unmeasured, love untold

Come behold the wondrous mystery, slain by death the God of life
But no grave could e'er restrain him, praise the Lord, He is alive
What a foretaste of deliverance, how unwavering our hope
Christ in power resurrected, as we will be when he comes.

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

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.

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.

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

Praise God who came in infant low
to bear our flesh and grace bestow
Born in a lowly manger stall
a child who shall redeem us all

And as creation held its breath
the firstborn came in our defense
To stand before His father's throne
And through his blood our lives atone

For this our mighty Savior came
To wed our hearts and bear our shame
For condemnation has no place
For those who trust in Jesus' name

***BENEDICTION**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: Faith Lutheran Church, Kalispell, Pastor Steve Snipstead

MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: Young Life, Tim & Emily Herset

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

COMMUNICANT'S CLASS: If you are interested in your child attending Communicant's Class, please sign up on in the foyer. The class will meet Monday - Thursday, Oct. 19-22, at the church at 3:45-4:30 p.m. Contact the office with questions (752-2400).

SERVING: October Deacon – Micah Hill

Today (1st service/2nd service)

Children's Church: 11 — Micah Tinkham

Nursery: 9:30 A&Z Hanson — 11 Anderson

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Gloria Hanson/Jeanie Brenneman

Next Sunday October 18th

Children's Church: 11 — Micah Tinkham

Nursery: 9:30 Hunter — 11 K. Brown/Haugestuen

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Susie Sullivan/Jessica Brown

WEEKLY/MONTHLY

Sunday Worship Services

8, 9:30 & 11 am, 6:30 pm

Streaming 11 am

Vespers

2nd Sunday of the month

6:30 p.m.

Wednesday Youth Group

Jr High 4:30-6 pm, Sr High 7-9

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