

FAITH 
COVENANT

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Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

October 17, 2021

*“The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.”
Psalm 23:1*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

***CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 117**

Leader: Praise the Lord, all you nations;

All: extol him, all you peoples

Leader: For great is his love toward us, and the faithfulness
of the Lord endures forever.

All: Praise the Lord.

***O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING - Hymn #164**

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace!

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy Name.

Jesus, the Name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.

He breaks the power of reigning sin, he sets the prisoner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean, his blood availed for me.

Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb, your loosened tongues employ;
Ye blind, behold your Savior come, and leap, ye lame, for joy

***PRAYER OF PRAISE**

***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.

**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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when to stand.
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COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *1 Corinthians 6:9-11*

Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

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

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Psalm 28:6-7*

Blessed be the LORD! For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy. The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.

***I SHALL NOT WANT**

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

**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.

OFFERTORY & RESPONSE

Reminder: please sign and pass the Attendance Register down the pew.

Children ages 4-6 excused for Children's Church 11 a.m. service (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.)

YOUR WILL BE DONE

Your will be done, my God and father, as in Heaven, so on earth
My heart is drawn to self exalting, help me seek Your kingdom first

As Jesus walked, so I shall walk
Held by Your same unchanging love
Be still my soul, Oh, lift your voice and pray
Father not my will but Yours be done

How in that garden he persisted, I may never fully know
The fearful weight of true obedience, it was held by him alone

What wondrous faith, to bear that cross
To bear my sin, what wondrous love
My hope was sure when there my Savior prayed
Father not my will but Yours be done

continued above

YOUR WILL BE DONE, *continued*

When I am lost, when I am broken, in the night of fear and doubt
Still I will trust in my good Father, Yes, to one great King I bow!

As Jesus rose, so I shall rise, in ransomed glory at the throne
My heart restored with all your saints I sing
Father, not my will but Yours be done

As we go forth, our God and Father, lead us daily in the fight
That all the world might see Your glory, and Your Name be lifted high

*And in this Name we overcome, for You shall see us safely home
Now as your church, we lift our voice and pray
Father, not my will but Yours be done*

Sermon Series: The Seven I Am Sayings of Jesus
Pastor John Sackett
The Good Shepherd & Gracious Host — Psalm 23 (ESV)

- ¹ The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
- ² He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters.
- ³ He restores my soul.
He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
- ⁴ Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil, for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- ⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
- ⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Sermon Outline

I. Christ as the Good Shepherd

II. Christ as the Generous Host

Sermon Questions

1. On verse 1, OT Scholar Derek Kidner remarks “the *my* here reveals a pledged relationship that dares to link *The Lord* ... with the incongruous *I shall* ... everything in the Psalm flows from that.” Why might that ‘linking’ be a bit audacious? Can we “dare expect” or “declare ‘I shall’” in the presence of God? Can we have that kind of confidence?
2. Is it curious that the first thing the Shepherd does is “make us lie down” – give us rest? Why might that be instructive to our Christian life.
3. OT Scholar Bullock has stated, “God’s action ‘for His name’s sake’ is the best thing He could do for David and for us”. How does this contrast with the world’s priority for action?
4. In 23:6a, we read, “Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me.” On this verse, several scholars mention the Lord’s “trailing pursuit” of David in spite of his many failures. Why would God pursue us? How can this serve as a real comfort to each of us?

Children’s Question

*Why is Jesus called the “Good Shepherd”? What makes Him good?
How does that help each of us?*

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.

**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.

*JESUS IS MINE

Fade, fade, each earthly joy; Jesus is mine.
Stronger than fleeting hopes, Jesus is mine.
Dark is the wilderness, earth has no resting place,
Jesus alone can bless; Jesus is mine.

In days of fragile peace, Jesus is mine.
Through tearful nights of grief, Jesus is mine.
His voice commands the storm, His presence stills my soul,
He will sustain my hope; Jesus is mine.

(Chorus)

*Jesus is mine, Jesus is mine,
When all else fails, He still remains;
Jesus is mine.*

When on that final day, Jesus is mine;
Before his radiant face, Jesus is mine.
Safe in his arms I'll cling, Praising my Savior King,
Forevermore I'll sing: "Jesus is mine."

(Chorus 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

8:15 Elder Trent Neumann — 11 Elder Tim Anderson

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.

***CHRIST OUR HOPE IN LIFE AND DEATH**

What is our hope in life and death? Christ alone, Christ alone
What is our only confidence? That our souls to Him belong
Who holds our days within His hand? What comes, apart from His command?
And what will keep us to the end? The love of Christ, in which we stand

(Chorus)

*O sing hallelujah! Our hope springs eternal, O sing hallelujah!
Now and ever we confess, Christ our hope in life and death*

What truth can calm the troubled soul? God is good, God is good
Where is His grace and goodness known? In our great Redeemer's blood
Who holds our faith when fears arise? Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh unto the shore,
the rock of Christ?

(Chorus)

Unto the grave, what shall we sing? Christ, He lives; Christ, He lives!
And what reward will heaven bring? Everlasting life with Him
There we will rise to meet the Lord then sin and death will be destroyed
And we will feast in endless joy, when Christ is ours forevermore

(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: Asst. Pastor Ben Melli Music Director/Assistant: Lisa Iddings/Laura Sackett

Staff: Kristin Bay, Hanni Hanson, Carlynn Stahlberg, Kelly Brown

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Deacons: Terry Falk, Kyle Hanson, Micah Hill, Ryan Petersen,

Mike Stahlberg, Bruce Tulloch, Phil Van Duyne

To be added to church enews and prayer lists, please contact us at office@faithcov.com.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: Calvary Lutheran Church, Kalispell, Pastor Craig Nissen

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

ELDER/DEACON NOMINATIONS: Elder/Deacon Nomination Packets are available for pickup in the foyer. Nominations should be submitted by October 18th.

CORN MAZE & CHILI LUNCH: Everyone is invited Sunday, Oct. 24, at 12:30 p.m. for a chili lunch at the church and corn maze fun (entry paid by the church). Sign up in the foyer, or contact the church office (752-2400).

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 through Thursday, Oct. 25-28, at the church at 3:45-4:30 p.m. Contact the office with questions (752-2400).

LOST AND FOUND: There is a collection of jackets and sweatshirts and really nice coffee cups on the table in the fellowship hall in our Lost & Found. Please check to see if anything belongs to you; items will eventually be donated to charity.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES: We will again collect shoeboxes for children in desperate situations around the world. Pick up box labels in the foyer and learn more at samaritanspurse.org. Please do not include toothpaste, candy, or any other food; and the shipping cost is \$9/box. Bring your boxes to the church by Sunday, November 14.

SERVING: October Deacon – Kyle Hanson

Today (1st service/2nd service)

Ushers: N. Hansons/Lancasters

Children's Church: Sharon Salyer

Nursery: D. Tinkham

Fellowship Hosts: Carolyn Duncan & Alyssa Hobus

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Fosberys/Arline Tinkham

Next Sunday October 24th

Ushers: N. Hansons/Lancasters

Children's Church: Sharon Salyer

Nursery: J. Thompson

Fellowship Hosts: Traci Carroll & Susan Sackett

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Eileen Pierson/Staci Bennett

WEEKLY/MONTHLY

Sunday Worship Services

8:15 & 11 am, 6:30 pm

Sunday School

Sept.-May 10 am

Elder/Deacon Meeting

3rd Tuesdays 7 pm

Wednesdays

Men's Breakfast 6:30 am

Women's Bible Study 9:30, 12:30, 4:30

Jr High Youth @ 5 pm

Sr. High Youth @ 6:30 pm

Career Group 7 pm

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