

## PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION

– Elder Steve Thompson

### \*SOON AND VERY SOON – words included

Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King!  
Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King!  
Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King!

(Chorus)

*Hallelujah! Hallelujah!  
We're going to see the King!*

No more crying there, we are going to see the King!  
No more crying there, we are going to see the King!  
No more crying there, we are going to see the King!

(Chorus)

No more dying there, we are going to see the King!  
No more dying there, we are going to see the King!  
No more dying there, we are going to see the King!

(Chorus)

Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King!  
Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King!  
Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King!

(Chorus)

### \*BENEDICTION

## OUR STATEMENT OF FAITH

The Presbyterian Church in America or “The PCA” is a distinctly evangelical denomination in the Reformed tradition. The Bible as the Word of God is the primary standard for our faith. The Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms, although subordinate to the Bible in their authority, set forth our understanding of biblical truth in a consistent, concise, and reliable form.

In the Reformed tradition, there are five key tenets, among others, that we hold to: By Scripture Alone; By Christ Alone; By Grace Alone; By Faith Alone; and To God Alone be the Glory.

- We believe the Bible is the written word of God, inspired by the Holy Spirit and without error in the original manuscripts. The Bible is the revelation of God’s truth and is infallible and authoritative in all matters of faith and practice.
- We believe in the Holy Trinity. There is one God, who exists eternally in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- We believe that all are sinners and totally unable to save themselves from God’s displeasure, except by His mercy.
- We believe that salvation is by God alone as He sovereignly chooses those He will save. We believe His choice is based on His grace, not on any human individual merit, or foreseen faith.
- We believe that Jesus Christ is the eternal Son of God, who through His perfect life and sacrificial death atoned for the sins of all who will trust in Him, alone, for salvation.
- We believe that God is gracious and faithful to His people not simply as individuals but as families in successive generations according to His Covenant promises.
- We believe that the Holy Spirit indwells God’s people and gives them the strength and wisdom to trust Christ and follow Him.
- We believe that Jesus will return, bodily and visibly, to judge all mankind and to receive His people to Himself.
- We believe that all aspects of our lives are to be lived to the glory of God under the Lordship of Jesus Christ.



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*“Many are the plans in the mind of a man, but it is the purpose of the LORD that will stand.” Proverbs 19:21*

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### His Calling and Our Praise

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

Leader: Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth!

**All: Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.**

Leader: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!

**All: For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods.**

\*O WORSHIP THE KING – Hymn #2

\*I KNOW THAT MY REDEEMER LIVES–GLORY,  
HALLELUJAH! – Hymn #281 (v.2 women; v.3 men)

\*PRAYER OF PRAISE

**\*I WILL PRAISE HIM, STILL** – words included

When the morning falls on the farthest hill,  
I will sing his name, I will praise him, still.  
When the dark trials come and my heart is filled  
with the weight of doubt, I will praise him, still.

For the Lord, our God, he is strong to save  
from the arms of death from the deepest grave.

And he gave us life in his perfect will;  
and by his good grace I will praise him, still.

*(Repeat all)*

**\*SCRIPTURE OF PRAISE:** *Psalm 18:1-3*

**All: I love you, O LORD, my strength. The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised, and I am saved from my enemies.**

## *His Renewal and Our Hope*

### **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**

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**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 who 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.

**\*ALL TO JESUS I SURRENDER** – Hymn #562

### **PRAYER, OFFERTORY & RESPONSE**

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

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

*Children ages 4-6 are excused for Children’s Church  
(held downstairs in the Fellowship Hall)*

**\*SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD** – Hymn #726

### **\*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

## *His Word and Our Response*

**Sermon:** Pastor Shane Waldron

**Sermon Series:** Summer Psalms and Proverbs

**Sermon Title:** *The Best Laid Plans*

**Sermon Text:** Selections from Proverbs

*(See pages 8-10 for sermon outline, text and questions)*

**\*IN CHRIST ALONE** – words included

In Christ alone my hope is found,  
he is my light, my strength, my song;  
This cornerstone, this solid ground,  
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My Comforter, my all in all,  
here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! who took on flesh,  
fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
scorned by the ones he came to save;  
Till on that cross as Jesus dies,  
the wrath of God was satisfied  
For ev’ry sin on him was laid;  
here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground his body lay,  
light of the world by darkness slain;  
Then bursting forth in glorious day,  
up from the grave he rose again!  
And as he stands in victory  
sin’s curse has lost its grip on me,  
for I am his and he is mine  
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
this is the pow’r of Christ in me;  
From life’s first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow’r of hell, no scheme of man,  
can ever pluck me from his hand;  
Till he returns or calls me home.  
Here in the pow’r of Christ I’ll stand,  
here in the pow’r of Christ I’ll stand.

### **CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER**

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### LOCAL OR REGIONAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR:

Whitefish Foursquare Church, Pastor Paul Ogle.

### MISSION PROJECT OR MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR:

Mission to the World (PCA).

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

**SENIOR HIGH SUNDAY SCHOOL** (Grades 9-12) will join with the adult Sunday school class **“Film and Faith: Watching Movies as a Christian”** for the fall session (September through December).

### SMALL GROUPS START NEXT WEEK! SIGN UP TODAY!

Small groups begin meeting next week. If you are not in a small group, we strongly encourage you to sign up at one of our tables in the foyer or the Fellowship Hall. If you are already in a small group, there is no need to sign up. Don't miss out on this opportunity to experience the fellowship and community of the body of Christ!

### LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL!

Next week Sunday school begins for all ages from 11:15 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Adults, this is the last week to sign up for one of our two classes: **“Film and Faith: Watching Movies as a Christian”** (taught by Pastor Shane), or **“The Crescent Through the Eyes of the Cross”** (taught by Joe Swenson and Byron Longenecker; **class size is limited to 25**). Please sign up for one of these classes today in the foyer or the Fellowship Hall.

**ELIZABETH WOMEN'S GROUP** will begin meeting Tuesday, September 11, at noon at Jo Anne Ross', 15 Primrose Ct. in Kalispell. Ladies, bring a sack lunch and join us, we will be studying Nancy Guthrie's book: **“Discovering Jesus in the Old Testament”**. We meet the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month, eat lunch together, fellowship, pray for the needs of others and study our book. We'd love to have you join us! For further details call Jo Anne at 755 3516.

**PRAYER CARDS** are available in the pew racks for your prayer requests. According to how you mark your request, prayers can be for the Elders only, shared with the Deacons or put on the prayer chain. Place your request in the offering bag or give to any Elder or Pastor.

**COMMUNITY KITCHEN–FEEDING THE FLATHEAD:** Those of you who are volunteering with Feed the Flathead will serve next week on **Thursday, September 13** at **Central Christian Church**. If you have questions, contact Sharon Thompson or Joyce Schmautz.

**A CANCER AND CHRONIC ILLNESS SUPPORT GROUP** for caregivers, survivors and those in treatment meets at Faith Covenant on the 4th Tuesday of each month from 5:00 p.m.–6:30 p.m. to pray together and share our faith in the midst of turmoil. Facilitators are Joyce Schmautz and Cyndi Heath.

### FLATHEAD FOOD BANK FOODS OF THE MONTH:

Macaroni & cheese, school snacks and soup may be dropped at the food bank, 1203 Hwy 2 W., Ste. 2 in Kalispell or left in the containers in the church kitchen. Their Thrift Store accepts donations Tuesday-Saturdays from 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

**BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP (BSF)** study of Genesis begins September 10 and 11, concluding mid-May. Men's Evening Class begins Monday, September 10, 6:55 p.m. for adult men and boy/girl students grades 1-12, Central Bible Church. Contact Bruce 755-4550. Women's Evening Class begins Monday, September 10, 6:55 p.m. for adult women and boy/girl students grades 1-12, First Presbyterian Church. Contact Benni 755-4550. Women's Day Class begins Tuesday, September 11, 9:10 a.m. for adult women and boy/girl infants thru Kindergarten/Pre-first grade, Easthaven Baptist Church. Contact Ellen 752-0211.

## SEPTEMBER MINISTRIES

DEACON OF THE MONTH ..... Bill Gamble  
NURSERY M.O.M. (Mom of the Month).....Leah Wiersma  
NURSERY COORDINATOR.....Darcy Hearn  
*Direct Nursery questions, concerns, praises, etc., to Darcy at 471-9770.*

## TODAY

USHERS/GREETERS ..... Matt & Elenie King  
CHILDREN'S CHURCH ..... Sharon & Liz Riley  
WORSHIP NURSERY (infants) ..... Heyboers  
WORSHIP NURSERY (toddlers thru 3yrs) ..... Kelly Brown  
FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS ..... Marlo Lancaster & Sharon Salyer  
COMMUNION PREP ..... Carol Martin  
COMMUNION CLEAN-UP ..... Theresa Paolini

## NEXT SUNDAY – SEPTEMBER 9

USHERS/GREETERS ..... Matt & Elenie King  
CHILDREN'S CHURCH ..... Sharon & Liz Riley  
WORSHIP NURSERY (infants) ..... Kings  
WORSHIP NURSERY (toddlers thru 3yrs) ..... Martins  
FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS ..... Jeri Brown & Gloria Hanson  
COMMUNION PREP ..... Amy Bennett  
COMMUNION CLEAN-UP ..... Benni Tulloch

## CALENDAR

### TODAY

9:30 a.m. – WORSHIP SERVICE  
10:45 a.m. – Coffee Hour & Fellowship

### THIS WEEK

Tuesday – Trustees meeting, 6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday – Men's Prayer Breakfast, 6:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

### LOOKING AHEAD

Tuesdays – Music practice, 6:30 p.m.  
Wednesdays – Men's Prayer Breakfast, 6:45 a.m.  
– Jr. & Sr. High Youth Groups (Sept.-May)  
Sundays – Adult Small Groups (Sept.-May)  
1st Sundays – Diaconal Offering  
1st Tuesdays – Elder home visits  
3rd Tuesdays – Elders/Deacons' meeting, 7:00 p.m.  
2nd & 4th Tuesdays – Elizabeth Women, noon, at Jo Anne Ross' home, (Sept.-May)  
Last Sunday of month – Prayer & Worship Service, 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 9 – Sunday School begins, 11:15 a.m.  
– Adult Small Groups begin  
Tuesday, September 11 – Elizabeth Women, noon at Jo Anne Ross'  
– Women's Ministries meeting, 6:30 p.m.  
– Fellowship Committee meeting, 7:00 p.m.  
Thursday, September 13 – Community Kitchen: Feeding the Flathead  
Tuesday, September 18 – Elder/Deacon meeting, 7:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, September 25 – Elizabeth Women, noon at Jo Anne Ross'  
– Cancer Support group, 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday, September 30 – Prayer & Worship Service, 6:00 p.m.

*For Prayer Chain requests or to be added to the prayer chain, please contact the church office at 752-2400 or email to [office@faithcov.com](mailto:office@faithcov.com).*

**SERMON OUTLINE**  
**September 2, 2012**

**Sermon: Pastor Shane Waldron**  
**Sermon Series: Summer Psalms and Proverbs**  
**Sermon Title: *The Best Laid Plans***  
**Sermon Text: Selections from Proverbs**

**God's purpose trumps our plans.**

**I. Our plans**

**II. God's purpose**

**SERMON TEXT: Selections from Proverbs (ESV)**

**PROVERBS 19:21**

**Many are the plans in the mind of a man,  
but it is the purpose of the LORD that will stand.**

**PROVERBS 16:1-2**

**The plans of the heart belong to man,  
but the answer of the tongue is from the LORD.  
All the ways of a man are pure in his own eyes,  
but the LORD weighs the spirit.**

**PROVERBS 16:25**

**There is a way that seems right to a man,  
but its end is the way to death.**

**PROVERBS 3:5-6**

**Trust in the LORD with all your heart,  
and do not lean on your own understanding.  
In all your ways acknowledge him,  
and he will make straight your paths.**

***Questions and thoughts for discussion:***

- 1. Describe a time when God vetoed your plans. How did you respond?**
- 2. Have you ever wanted something good, but for a wrong reason? What did you want? What were your motives?**
- 3. Read Romans 8:28-30. Describe God's purpose for your life according to this passage.**
- 4. How has God helped you grow in your ability to trust him, and to not lean on your own understanding?**
- 5. How might your perspective and planning change if everything you did flowed from your relationship with God?**