

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

— Elder Steve Thompson

*REVELATION SONG — words included

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain; holy, holy is he.
Sing a new song to him who sits on heaven's mercy seat.
(Repeat)

(Chorus)

*Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,
who was and is and is to come.
With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings;
you are my ev'rything and I will adore you.*

Clothed in rainbows of living color, flashes of lightning,
rolls of thunder; blessing and honor, strength and glory
and power be to you, the only wise King.
(Chorus)

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder at the mention of your name.
Jesus, your name is power, breath and living water,
such a marv'lous mystery!
(Chorus 2x)

*BENEDICTION

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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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*"It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel."
Philippians 1:7*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

His Calling and Our Praise

*CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 99:1-5

Leader: The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!
The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples.

All: Let them praise your great and awesome name! Holy is he!

Leader: The King in his might loves justice. You have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

All: Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his footstool! Holy is he!

(*Indicates when to stand)
We ask that you please turn off cell phones during the worship service. Thank you.

****COME, CHRISTIANS, JOIN TO SING – Hymn #302***

***PRAYER OF PRAISE**

****HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD – words included***

The splendor of the King clothed in majesty.
Let all the earth rejoice, let all the earth rejoice.
He wraps himself in light and darkness tries to hide
and trembles at his voice, and trembles at his voice.

(Chorus)

*How great is our God, sing with me.
How great is our God, and all will see
how great, how great is our God.*

Age to age he stands and time is in his hands.
Beginning and the end, beginning and the end;
the Godhead three in one: Father, Spirit, Son.
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb.

(Chorus)

(Bridge 2x)

Name above all names, you are worthy of our praise
and my heart will sing how great is our God.

(Chorus 2x)

***PRAYER OF PRAISE**

****JESUS, KEEP ME NEAR THE CROSS – Hymn #264***

His Renewal and Our Hope

COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *James 2:10*

For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has
become accountable for all of it.

Leader: You shall have no other gods before me.

**All: But I often place other things on the throne of
my heart above you.**

Leader: You shall not make for yourself a carved image...
You shall not bow down to them or serve them.

All: But I make you into who I want you to be.

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Leader: You shall not take the name of the LORD your
God in vain.

**All: But I treat your name lightly and do not bring
honor to you.**

Leader: Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six
days you shall labor, and do all your work.

**All: But I make excuses for spending the day
pursuing my own pleasures with little thought
on how I can set apart the Sabbath to you.**

Leader: Honor your father and your mother.

All: But I spurn authority and set my own rules.

Leader: You shall not murder.

All: But I often hate my brother in my heart.

Leader: You shall not commit adultery.

**All: But my thought life is often x-rated and my
heart filled with lust.**

Leader: You shall not steal.

**All: But I devote my life to pursue convenience and
consumption.**

Leader: You shall not bear false witness against your
neighbor.

**All: But I often speak against my neighbors and run
them down to others.**

Leader: You shall not covet.

**All: But I desire and chase after far more than I
need and I am not content with what I have.**

**All: Forgive us, O God. Put to death our sinful
inclinations and practices through the power of
your Holy Spirit. Renew us in the image of your
Son, our Savior–Jesus Christ. Amen.**

(Adapted from the Ten Commandments – Exodus 20)

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *1 John 2:1-3*

My little children, I am writing these things to you so
that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an
advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is
the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also
for the sins of the whole world. And by this we know that
we have come to know him, if we keep his commandments.

****COME, THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING***

– Hymn #457

PRAYER, OFFERTORY & RESPONSE

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)*

****DOXOLOGY – Hymn #733***

***PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

His Word and Our Response

Sermon: Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.

Sermon Series: Philippians

Sermon Title: Partners and Partakers

Sermon Text: Philippians 1:1-8

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

****I COME BY THE BLOOD – words included***

You are the perfect and righteous God
whose presence bears no sin.
You bid me come to your holy place,
how can I enter in
when your presence bears no sin.
Through him who poured out his life for me,
the atoning lamb of God.
Through him and his work alone, I boldly come.

(Chorus)

*I come by the blood, I come by the cross
where your mercy flows from hands pierced for me.
For I dare not stand on my righteousness;
my every hope rests on what Christ has done,
and I come by the blood.*

You are the high and exalted King,
the one the angels fear.
So far above me in every way,
Lord, how can I draw near
to the one the angels fear.
Through him who laid down his life for me
and ascended to your side.
Through him, through Jesus alone, I boldly come.
(Chorus 2x)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL OR REGIONAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR:

Easthaven Baptist Church, Kalispell, Pastors Daniel Lambert, Matthew Fitzwater & Joey Gardner.

MISSION PROJECT OR MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR:

serving with Mission to the World (PCA). They attend our sister congregation in Colorado Springs, CO and will be coming to Faith Covenant September 16 to speak during Sunday school class time. They are training for and planning to leave for the Middle East as missionaries in the new year. They have both lived in the Middle East and believe God is calling them back for long term service to the . In their time at Colorado as was finishing his seminary training for the pastorate, they worked with and in the community there. We invite all interested to come and listen to their presentation. Faith Covenant missions currently supports the with prayer and finances.

OUR FALL SESSION OF SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS TODAY at 11:15 a.m. Classes for Babies thru Adults will follow the morning worship service and coffee/fellowship hour. Room locations and teachers are listed below:

- Babies & 1’s: Infant Nursery, main bldg, lower level (Teachers:) Hanni Hanson, Sharon Riley, Barb Fenner
- 2’s & 3’s Toddler Nursery, main bldg, lower level (Teachers:) Gloria Hanson, Sharon Thompson
- 4’s thru K: Fellowship Hall, main bldg, lower level (Teachers:) Aimee Uzzi, Breanna Wiersma
- Grades 1-2: Carriage room, office bldg, main floor (Teachers:) Tim & Kate Anderson
- Grades 3-4: Fellowship Hall, main bldg, lower level (Teacher:) Becky Neumann
- Grades 5-6: Overflow room, main bldg, main floor (Teachers:) Gary Fenner & Jim Rowe
- Grades 7-8: Balcony room, up foyer stairs in main bldg (Teachers:) Terry Falk & Nick Hanson
- Grades 9-12: Sanctuary for fall session (with adult class) Adults: Sanctuary, “Film and Faith: Watching Movies as a Christian” (Teacher:) Pastor Shane Waldron
- Adults: Library, office bldg main floor, “The Crescent Through the Eyes of the Cross” (Teacher:) Joe Swenson

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).

REMINDER to PARENTS with young children in Sunday School. Please remember to pick up your child immediately following your SS class so the teachers can clean up and head home to spend time with their own families as soon as possible. Thank You!

SMALL GROUPS START THIS WEEK! IT’S NOT TO LATE TO SIGN UP! If you are not in a small group, we strongly encourage you to sign up at the table in the foyer contact the church office. 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!

ELIZABETH WOMEN’S GROUP will begin meeting this 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.

GENERAL OFFERING SUMMARY THRU AUGUST 31: Targeted Budget = \$159,183.96; Offerings received = \$165,876.28

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

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 Leah & Breanna Wiersma
WORSHIP NURSERY (infants) Motleys
WORSHIP NURSERY (toddlers thru 3yrs).....Martins
FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS.....Jeri Brown & Gloria Hanson
COMMUNION PREPAmy Bennett
COMMUNION CLEAN-UP Benni Tulloch

NEXT SUNDAY – SEPTEMBER 16

USHERS/GREETERS Matt & Elenie King
CHILDREN’S CHURCH Rose Ann & Aaron Clark
WORSHIP NURSERY (infants) Neumanns
WORSHIP NURSERY (toddlers thru 3yrs)..... Salyers
FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS.....Kelly Brown & Joni Jenks
COMMUNION PREP Carolyn Duncan
COMMUNION CLEAN-UP Lori Vander Ark

CALENDAR

TODAY

- 9:30 a.m. – WORSHIP SERVICE
- 10:45 a.m. – Coffee Hour & Fellowship
- 11:15 a.m. – Sunday School for all ages

THIS WEEK

- Tuesday – Elizabeth Women, noon at Jo Anne Ross’
– Women’s Ministries meeting, 4:00 p.m.
- Wednesday – Fellowship Committee meeting, 7:00 p.m.
– Men’s Prayer Breakfast, 6:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall
- Thursday – Community Kitchen: Feeding the Flathead

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.

- 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.
- Tuesday, October 2 – Trustees meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, October 9 – Elizabeth Women, noon at Jo Anne Ross’
– Women’s Ministries meeting, 4:00 p.m.
– Fellowship Committee meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Thursday, October 11 – Community Kitchen: Feeding the Flathead
- Tuesday, October 16 – Elder/Deacon meeting, 7:00 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.

SERMON OUTLINE

September 9, 2012

Sermon: Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.

Sermon Series: Philippians

Sermon Title: *Partners and Partakers*

Sermon Text: Philippians 1:1-8

I. Introduction to Philippians

II. Confidence in Christ

III. Affection of Christ

SERMON TEXT: Philippians 1:1-8 (ESV)

1:1 Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus, To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are at Philippi, with the overseers and deacons:

² Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

³ I thank my God in all my remembrance of you,

⁴ always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy,

⁵ because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now.

⁶ And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

⁷ It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel.

⁸ For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus.

Questions and thoughts for discussion:

1. Acts 16 records Paul's ministry to Philippi. Why was Paul delivering the decree of the Jerusalem counsel to the churches (Acts 16:4)? (Hint: Acts 15:24). Looking at Acts 16:14, what do we learn about God's grace?
2. In v-3, thanksgiving and prayer are intimately connected by Paul. Why do you think this is?
3. Paul introduces his great theme of joy in adversity. God's saving work in Christ is a message of joy. *"The Pauline Epistles testify to the paradox that Christian joy is to be found only in the midst of sadness, affliction, and care. Indeed, this is precisely where it gives proof of its power."* –E. Beyreuther
4. In vs 5-6, we see the tension or the 'polarity' of the believers accountability for their conduct and their need to rely totally on God's grace to meet this obligation. What fails when we try to lessen or mitigate either pole?
5. In v-7, they shared God's grace with Paul. How does this unbreakable bond of Christ's love unite you to others? How have you seen this demonstrated? What challenge does this bring to you personally?
6. What does v-8 mean by the "affection of Christ"? How are we to long for others in this way?
7. What has challenged you about Paul's opening remarks to the Philippians? How does being a disciple of Christ bring you hope in sharing in the work of the gospel?