

FAITH   
COVENANT  

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*Spreading A Love for God and His Glory*

*July 30, 2017*

*“O Lord in the morning you hear my voice ...”*

*Psalm 5:3*

## 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."

### **\*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY! - Hymn #100**

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;  
Holy, Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, Holy, Holy, all the saints adore thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, Holy, Holy, though the darkness hide thee,  
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,  
Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee  
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

**\*HOLY IS THE LORD GOD ALMIGHTY**

We stand and lift up our hands,  
for the joy of the Lord is our strength.  
We bow down and worship him now.  
How great, how awesome is he.  
And together we sing – everyone sing.

*(Chorus)*

*Holy is the Lord God Almighty; the earth is filled with his glory.  
Holy is the Lord God Almighty; the earth is filled with his glory.*

*The earth is filled with his glory.*

*(Repeat all)*

It is rising up, all around.  
it's the anthem of the Lord's renown.  
It's rising up, all around  
it's the anthem of the Lord's renown.  
And together we sing – everyone sing.

*(Chorus)*

*The earth is filled with his glory.*

**\*PRAYER OF PRAISE**

**God Calls Us**

The Lord summons his people to worship and we respond in obedience. The Lord's call is a call to action. We gather, praise, adore, give thanks, etc. The Call to Worship is a joyful summons and a clear reminder that worship is our coming into God's presence by his command, and not our command that he come into our presence.

*\*Indicates when to stand.*

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**\*BEAUTIFUL LORD**

When the storm is raging all around me,  
you are the peace that calms my troubled sea.  
When the cares of this world darken my day,  
you are the light that shines, and shows me the way.  
Oh the beauty of your majesty,  
on the cross you showed your love for me.

*(Chorus)*

*Beautiful Lord, awesome and mighty,  
I'm captured by this love I see.  
Beautiful Lord, tender and holy,  
your mercy brings me to my knees.  
It's your mercy that has made me free, beautiful Lord.*

When my sin is all that I can see,  
your grace remains the shelter that I seek.  
And when my weakness is all I can give,  
your gentle Spirit gives me strength again.  
Oh the beauty of your majesty,  
on the cross you showed your love for me.

*(Chorus 2x)*

**COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN**

**SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION:** *Galatians 5:13-15*

For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you bite and devour one another, watch out that you are not consumed by one another.

*continued above*

All: Lord God, eternal and almighty Father, we acknowledge before your holiness that we are poor sinners, born into guilt and corruption, prone to do evil and unable of our own power to do good. Because of our sin, we endlessly violate your holy commandments. But, O Lord, with heart-felt sorrow we repent and turn away from all our offenses. Have compassion on us, Father of all mercies, for the sake of your son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. And in removing our guilt, also grow us daily in the grace of your Holy Spirit, and produce in us the fruits of a life that is pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (*adapted from Calvin's Form of Church Prayers, 1542*)

## SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

### DECLARATION OF GRACE: *1 Peter 1:3-5*

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

### **God Cleanses Us**

The biblical response to God's call to be in his presence is confessing our sins. We humble ourselves when we approach our God. This is a corporate prayer of all God's people. It is a great privilege of the gospel that we can stand forgiven before the Lord of glory.

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

– *The Heidelberg Catechism (1563), Question 32*

Minister: Why are you called a Christian?

All: Because by faith I am a member of Christ and so I share in his anointing. I am anointed to confess his name, to present myself to him as a living sacrifice of thanks, to strive with a good conscience against sin and the devil in this life, and afterward to reign with Christ over all creation for all eternity.

**\*THE SAVING ONE**

What mercy was revealed, what selflessness and peace  
My fate was surely sealed until He rescued me  
His pardon for my sin, His bounty for my need  
From slavery and shame, I am redeemed

*(Chorus)*

*And heaven can't contain the glory of the Son  
Jesus is the Christ, the Saving One  
His love has made a way, the grave is overcome  
Jesus is the Christ, the Saving One*

No fear can hold me down, no darkness steal my joy  
For blood has been poured out, the enemy destroyed  
Death could not hold Him down, the cross was not enough  
To steal away His love for He is God

*(Chorus 2x)*

*Jesus is the Christ, the Saving One*

## OFFERTORY & RESPONSE

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

*11 a.m. Service: Children ages 4-6 excused for Children's Church (downstairs in the Corner Classroom)*

### BENEATH THE CROSS OF JESUS

Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand,  
The shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land;  
A home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way,  
From the burning of the noontide heat, and the burden of the day.

Upon the cross of Jesus, mine eye at times can see  
The very dying form of One who suffered there for me;  
And from my stricken heart with tears two wonders I confess  
The wonders of redeeming love and my unworthiness.

I take, O cross, thy shadow for my abiding place:  
I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of His face;  
Content to let the world go by to know no gain nor loss,  
*My sinful self my only shame, my glory, all the cross.*

### 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.)

Guest Pastor Aaron Scott, Church of the Cross, Whitefish  
*Practicing Resurrection - Psalm 5 (ESV)*

*To the choirmaster: for the flutes. A Psalm of David.*

- <sup>1</sup> Give ear to my words, O Lord; consider my groaning.
- <sup>2</sup> Give attention to the sound of my cry, my King and my God,  
for to you do I pray.
- <sup>3</sup> O Lord, in the morning you hear my voice;  
in the morning I prepare a sacrifice for you and watch.
- <sup>4</sup> For you are not a God who delights in wickedness;  
evil may not dwell with you.
- <sup>5</sup> The boastful shall not stand before your eyes; you hate all evildoers.
- <sup>6</sup> You destroy those who speak lies;  
the Lord abhors the bloodthirsty and deceitful man.
- <sup>7</sup> But I, through the abundance of your steadfast love, will enter your house.  
I will bow down toward your holy temple in the fear of you.
- <sup>8</sup> Lead me, O Lord, in your righteousness because of my enemies;  
make your way straight before me.
- <sup>9</sup> For there is no truth in their mouth; their inmost self is destruction;  
their throat is an open grave; they flatter with their tongue.
- <sup>10</sup> Make them bear their guilt, O God;  
let them fall by their own counsels;  
because of the abundance of their transgressions cast them out,  
for they have rebelled against you.
- <sup>11</sup> But let all who take refuge in you rejoice; let them ever sing for joy,  
and spread your protection over them,  
that those who love your name may exult in you.
- <sup>12</sup> For you bless the righteous, O Lord;  
you cover him with favor as with a shield.



## Sermon Notes

*“I don't like the man who doesn't sleep, says God. Sleep is the friend of man. Sleep is the friend of God. Sleep is perhaps the most beautiful thing I have created. And I myself rested on the seventh day. But they tell me that there are men who work well and sleep badly. Who don't sleep. What a lack of confidence in me.”*

- Charles Peguy

“True prayer assumes a sure hearing ... we can doubt the value, power and sincerity of our own asking but not God's hearing ... It is because it is heard that we pray, and not because we are skilled in asking”

- Anonymous

*“Ev'ry hour is a precious boon  
Ev'ry breath is a mercy  
Ev'ry glimpse of yonder moon  
A balm upon this journey  
How vast the heavens above this place  
So small beneath His glory  
Still He stooped and showed His face  
And poured His mercy o'er me  
So, serve Him, only serve him  
He who brings the morning”  
from He Who Brings The Morning*

**God  
Consecrates Us**  
Consecrate means to make holy, to set apart. The Word of God does that for the lives of believers. Through the sermon, confessions of faith, and the offering we are sanctified for service to our Lord to joyfully offer up our lives to him.

**\*HE WILL HOLD ME FAST**

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;  
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.  
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path;  
For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast.

**God Communes  
with Us**

The Lord strengthens and nourishes our faith through a sacramental meal. Through Jesus, communion with God has been reestablished. The covenant has been renewed. The Lord's Supper is the gospel made visible for us and we share in it as the full community of God's people.

*(Chorus)*

*He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;  
For my Saviour loves me so, He will hold me fast.*

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast;  
Precious in his holy sight, He will hold me fast.  
He'll not let my soul be lost; His promises shall last;  
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.

*(Chorus)*

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;  
Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.  
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast  
'Till our faith is turned to sight, When He comes at last!

*(Chorus 3x)*

**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 WILL PROVIDE**

Though troubles assail and dangers affright,  
Though friends should all fail and foes all unite;  
Yet one thing secures us, whatever betide,  
The scripture assures us, the Lord will provide

The birds without barn or storehouse are fed,  
From them let us learn to trust for our bread:  
His saints, what is fitting, shall ne'er be denied,  
So long as it's written, the Lord will provide

*continued above*

## THE LORD WILL PROVIDE, *continued*

We may, like the ships, by tempest be tossed  
On perilous deeps, but cannot be lost.  
Though Satan enrages the wind and the tide,  
The promise engages, the Lord will provide.

His call we obey, like Abram of old,  
Not knowing our way, but faith makes us bold;  
For though we are strangers we have a good Guide,  
And trust in all dangers, the Lord will provide

When Satan appears to stop up our path,  
And fill us with fears, we triumph by faith;  
He cannot take from us, though oft he has tried,  
This heart-cheering promise, the Lord will provide

He tells us we're weak, our hope is in vain,  
The good that we seek we ne'er shall obtain,  
But when such suggestions our spirits have plied,  
This answers all questions, the Lord will provide

No strength of our own, or goodness we claim,  
Yet since we have known the Savior's great name;  
In this our strong tower for safety we hide,  
The Lord is our power, the Lord will provide

When life sinks apace and death is in view,  
This word of his grace shall comfort us through:  
No fearing or doubting with Christ on our side,  
We hope to die shouting "the Lord will provide"

## God Commissions Us

Having been richly blessed by the Lord in our worship, we are sent forth as his ambassadors of reconciliation into the world. Our worship of God as his people now extends into our lives throughout the week. We are to offer ourselves as living sacrifices to him in all areas of our lives.

## \*BENEDICTION

*If you are in need of personal prayer, an elder is available up front after the service.*

### Leaders & Staff

Senior Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D. & Associate Pastor Taylor Clark

Staff: Kristin Bay, Hanni Hanson, Carlynn Stahlberg, Kelly Brown, Sara Motley (*Nursery*)

Elders: Tim Anderson Grady Bennett, Tom Jentz, Trent Neumann, Don Olmsted, Matt Riley,  
Micah Tinkham, Steve Thompson Deacons: Terry Falk, Kyle Hanson, Micah Hill, Ryan Petersen,  
Mike Stahlberg, Bruce Tulloch, Phil Van Duyne

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**LOCAL OR REGIONAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR:** All Souls Church PCA, Missoula, Pastor Ryan Sutherland

**MISSION PROJECT OR MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR:** Kevin Johnson with United World Mission at the Biblical Seminary of Columbia, Medellín.

**CHURCH CAMPOUT:** Ready for a campout under the stars with your church family? Plan on joining us August 25-26 at Tally Lake! We've reserved the group campsite for Friday and Saturday night. Come for both nights or just the day on Saturday. There is big covered pavilion and lots of camp sites - you provide your own meals, camping gear and water toys. There is no charge but please sign up in the foyer so we know who to watch for! Contact the office for details..

**SUMMER OFFICE HOURS:** Just a reminder that Pastor Lloyd is on sabbatical July 1-August 12, and Kristin Bay will be out of the office Aug. 1-3 so check with Pastor Taylor or Hanni Hanson if you need anything during that time.

**LADIES' SUMMER BOOK CLUB:** Ladies are invited to our summer book club Wednesday, August 9, to discuss the novel Cutting for Stone. For details, contact Kristin in the office (752-2400).

**GENERAL OFFERING SUMMARY CURRENT UPDATE:** Offerings received: \$188,023.75. Targeted Budget: \$206,737.21.

**COMMUNITY KITCHEN-FEEDING THE FLATHEAD:** Those volunteering with Feed the Flathead will serve next on Thursday, Aug. 10, at Central Christian Church. To assist, contact Dawn Tinkham (208-640-6060).

**LOST AND FOUND:** Check out the lost and found in the fellowship hall for things (such as really nice coffee mugs!) that might belong to you. Whatever is not picked up will be donated to charity.

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**SERVING:** July Deacons are Bruce Tulloch & Ryan Petersen

**WEEKLY/MONTHLY**

**Today (1st service/2nd service)**

Ushers: Nick & Hanni Hanson  
Children's Church: Carol Van Duyne & Hannah Buckner  
Nursery 8:15 a.m.: Longeneckers  
Nursery 11 a.m.: Putzler/Carlson  
Fellowship Hosts: Cathy Hanson & Sharon Salyer  
Communion Prep/Cleanup: Eileen Pierson/Theresa Paolini

**Next Sunday - August 6**

Ushers: John & Susie Sullivan  
Children's Church: Carol Van Duyne & Hannah Buckner  
Nursery 8:15 a.m.: Sharon Thompson  
Nursery 11 a.m.: Abney/Brown  
Fellowship Hosts: Tamie Jentz  
Communion Prep/Cleanup: Fosberys/Mark Rice

**Worship Services**

Sundays 8:15 & 10 am

**Sunday School**

Sept.-May 10 am

**Music Practice**

Tuesdays 5:30 pm

**Trustees**

1st Tuesdays 5:30 pm

**Elder/Deacon Meeting**

3rd Tuesdays 7 pm

**Elizabeth Women**

2nd & 4th Tuesdays noon

**Sr. & Jr. Youth Groups**

Sept.-May Wednesdays 7 pm

**College/Career Small Group**

Wednesdays 6:30 pm

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