

FAITH   
COVENANT  

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*Spreading A Love for God and His Glory*

*November 11, 2018*

*“You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.”  
Exodus 20:16*

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MOMENT FOR MISSIONS: *The Persecuted Church*

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP: *Psalm 47:1-4*

Leader: Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

All: For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared, a great king over all the earth. He subdued peoples under us, and nations under our feet.

Leader: He chose our heritage for us, the pride of Jacob whom he loves.

#### \*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.

*continued above*

*\*Indicates when to stand.*

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

**\*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY!** *continued*

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!

**\*10,000 REASONS (BLESS THE LORD)**

*(Chorus)*

*Bless the Lord, O my soul; O my soul, worship his holy name.  
Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship your holy name.*

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,  
it's time to sing your song again.  
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,  
let me be singing when the evening comes.

*(Chorus)*

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger.  
Your name is great and your heart is kind.  
For all your goodness I will keep on singing;  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

*(Chorus)*

And on that day when my strength is failing,  
the end draws near and my time has come;  
still my soul will sing your praise unending,  
ten thousand years and then forevermore!

*(Chorus 2x)*

*I'll worship your holy name; I'll worship your holy name.*

**\*PRAYER OF PRAISE**

**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.

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father, who art in heaven  
Hallowed be thy name  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done  
On earth as it is in heaven

Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins  
As we forgive those who have sinned against us  
And lead us not into temptation, deliver us from evil  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever.

Amen, amen  
Amen, amen  
Amen.

**COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN**

**SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION:** *Mark 12:30-31*

And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these.

**All:** Almighty God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; we have not loved you with all of our heart, soul, mind and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done, and the good we have left undone. Lord, you are full of compassion and gracious, slow to anger, and great in mercy. Restore to us the joy of our salvation; bind that which is broken, give light to our minds, strength to our wills, and rest for our souls for the sake of your Son, our Savior-Jesus. Amen.

## SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

### DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Zephaniah 3:17*

The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing.

### \*SCRIPTURAL CONFESSION OF FAITH: *Colossians 1:15-20*

All: Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities – all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

### **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.

**\*BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD ABOVE**

Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea,  
a great High Priest whose name is Love, who ever lives and pleads for me.

My name is graven on his hands, My name is written on his heart;  
I know that while in heav'n he stands no tongue can bid me thence depart,  
no tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within,  
upward I look and see him there who made an end of all my sin.

Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free;  
for God the Just is satisfied to look on him and pardon me,  
to look on him and pardon me.

Behold him there! The risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless righteousness;  
the great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace!

*One with himself I cannot die, my soul is purchased by his blood;  
my life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my Savior and my God,  
with Christ, my Savior and my God.*

## 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)*

### THIS IS MY FATHER'S WORLD - Hymn #111

This is my Father's world, and to my list'ning ears  
All nature sings and around me rings, the music of the spheres  
This is my Father's world, I rest me in the thought  
Of rocks and trees of skies and seas, His hand the wonders wrought

This is my Father's world, the birds their carols raise  
The morning light the lily white, declare their maker's praise  
This is my Father's world, He shines in all that's fair  
In the rustling grass I hear him pass, He speaks to me ev'rywhere

This is my Father's world, O let me ne'er forget  
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet  
This is my Father's world, the battle is not done  
Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and earth and heav'n be one

### 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: The 10 Commandments*  
Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.  
*Truth Telling - Exodus 20:16 (ESV)*

<sup>16</sup> “You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.”

**Matthew 5:33-37**

<sup>33</sup> “Again you have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not swear falsely, but shall perform to the Lord what you have sworn.’ <sup>34</sup> But I say to you, Do not take an oath at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, <sup>35</sup> or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. <sup>36</sup> And do not take an oath by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. <sup>37</sup> Let what you say be simply ‘Yes’ or ‘No’; anything more than this comes from evil.

**Ephesians 4:25**

<sup>25</sup> Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another.

**Sermon Outline**

I. Truth and Society

## Sermon Outline, *continued*

### II. Speaking Words of Life

**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 Questions

1. Westminster Larger Catechism 144. What are the duties required in the ninth commandment? The duties required in the ninth commandment are, the preserving and promoting of truth between man and man, and the good name of our neighbor, as well as our own; appearing and standing for the truth; and from the heart, sincerely, freely, clearly, and fully, speaking the truth, and only the truth, in matters of judgment and justice, and in all other things whatsoever; a charitable esteem of our neighbors; loving, desiring, and rejoicing in their good name; sorrowing for, and covering of their infirmities; freely acknowledging of their gifts and graces, defending their innocence; a ready receiving of a good report, and unwillingness to admit of an evil report, concerning them; discouraging tale-bearers, flatterers, and slanderers; love and care of our own good name, and defending it when need requires; keeping of lawful promises; studying and practicing of whatsoever things are true, honest, lovely, and of good report.
2. Why is it important that we always remember the long game instead of the short? (keeping in mind that no one will get away with anything before the Lord). Why is this hard?
3. How are you called to promote the well being of others regarding truth telling? (hint see question #1)
4. Knowing why we might want to lie in a particular setting helps us to examine and repent of the idols of our heart. What does this examination in your own life show you about your particular idol of the heart?

**\*FORGIVEN**

Lord, forgive us for our pride when our faith becomes a show  
Dressed in righteous deeds to hide all the stains below  
We have judged Your sons and daughters for the sin that is our own  
May we now forgive each other and lay down our stones

*(Chorus)*

*Forgiven, forgiven*

*Through the blood of Christ, we are forgiven*

Lord, forgive us for our love of the things we wish to own  
We forsake the feast above for all the crumbs below  
Though You've made us sons and daughters we do not the world disown  
May we find our greatest treasure is in You alone

*(Chorus)*

Lord, forgive us for our shame when we can't release the past  
When we're quick to take the blame but forget we're free at last  
We avoid Your sons and daughters for the fear we don't belong  
Give us eyes to see each other through Your only Son

*(Chorus 2x)*

**CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

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

*(See FCC observance on below)*

**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.

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.

## PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION

### \*ON JORDAN'S STORMY BANKS I STAND

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand, and cast a wishful eye  
to Canaan's fair and happy land, where my possessions lie.

All o'er those wide extended plains shines one eternal day.  
There God, the Son forever reigns and scatters night away.

*(Chorus)*

*I am bound, I am bound,  
I am bound for the Promised Land.*

*(Repeat)*

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath can reach that healthful shore;  
sickness, sorrow, pain, and death are felt and feared no more.

*(Chorus)*

When shall I reach that happy place and be forever blessed?  
When shall I see my Father's face, and in his bosom rest?

*(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.

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

Mike Stahlberg, Bruce Tulloch, Phil Van Duyne *Music Director:* Bekah Marsh

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**LOCAL OR REGIONAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR:** Rocky Mountain Community Church, Billings, PCA, Pastors Jason Barrie & Rolf Meintjes

**MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR:** Pray for Jim & Jill Hadlock with Cru Jesus Film Project in Orlando, Florida.

**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, Nov. 12-15, at the church at 3:45-4:30 p.m. Contact the office with questions (752-2400).

**VESPERS SERVICE:** Join us TONIGHT at 6:30 p.m. for vespers, a brief evening service of silence and symbol, prayer and song. Come unplug from the constant distraction of modern life and recharge in reflective quiet as we follow this beautiful liturgy of worship.

**YOU ARE ALL INVITED** to our **ANNUAL THANKS DINNER** Sunday, Nov. 18, at 4 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Our Thanksgiving Dinner is served family-style, and is a great time of fellowship and thanksgiving for all God has provided for us. Turkey provided—**please sign up in the foyer** to bring sides and dessert to round out our meal.

**THANKS DINNER OFFERING:** An offering will be taken at the Thanks Dinner for the PCA Ministerial Relief Fund. This fund supports widows of PCA pastors and missionaries and disabled pastors. Consider contributing to this worthy cause this holiday season.

**CHRISTMAS CHOIR:** Please join our Christmas choir! Rehearsals will be **during Sunday School** in the fellowship hall beginning Sunday, Nov. 18, through Dec. 16. The choir will sing at both services Dec. 23 and Christmas eve. Sign up in the foyer and/or contact Bekah Marsh for more information (434)882-2319.

**HANGING OF THE GREENS:** Kick off Christmas by decorating the church for the holidays Saturday, Dec. 1, at 10 a.m. The more the merrier to transform our sanctuary for the holidays!

**LADIES' CHRISTMAS LUNCH:** Ladies 3 to 93 are invited to Christmas lunch Sunday Dec. 2, at 12:30 in the fellowship hall. We will enjoy lunch and assemble Christmas gift baskets for the Refuge clients so, if you're able, bring a small gift item (or several) to contribute. And there will be an entertaining surprise you don't want to miss, so RSVP by signing up in the foyer.

**TINKHAM THANK YOU:** The Tinkham family would like to thank everyone who was able to come to Jim's funeral, for the cards, expressions of sympathy, and especially the prayers. We have felt God's love through all of you.

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**SERVING:** November Deacon - Ryan Petersen

**WEEKLY/MONTHLY**

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

Ushers: Rik & Audrey Goodell/Hanni & Zephy Hanson

Children's Church: Brenda & Maraeah Buckner

Early Nursery: Hobus

Late Nursery: Lancaster

Fellowship Hosts: Judy Fosberry & Kate Anderson

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Barb Makowski/Theresa Paolini

**Next Sunday - November 18th**

Ushers: Rik & Audrey Goodell/Yvonne Hernandez & Wendy Putzler

Children's Church: Susie Sullivan & Hannah Buckner

Early Nursery: H. Hanson

Late Nursery: Falk/Motley

Fellowship Hosts: Carolyn Duncan & Alyssa Hobus

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Eileen Pierson/Lorrie Gomez

**Worship Services**

Sundays 8:15 & 11 am

**Sunday School**

Sept.-May 10 am

**Music Practice**

Tuesdays 5:30 pm

**Elder/Deacon Meeting**

3rd Tuesdays 7 pm

**Youth Groups**

Sept.-May Wednesdays 7 pm

**Vespers**

2nd Sundays 6:30 pm

**Elizabeth Women Group**

2nd & 4th Tuesdays

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