

FAITH 
COVENANT

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Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

November 22, 2020

*“Is the seed yet in the barn?
Indeed, the vine, the fig tree, the pomegranate, and the olive tree
have yielded nothing. But from this day on I will bless you.”
Haggai 2:19*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

***CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 47:6-8**

Leader: Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King,
sing praises!

All: For God is the King of all the earth; sing praises with
a psalm! God reigns over the nations; God sits on his
holy throne.

***FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH**

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth over and around us lies.

(Chorus)

Lord of all to Thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the wonder of each hour, of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light.

(Chorus)

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild.

(Chorus)

For Thyself, best Gift Divine. to mankind so freely given,
For that great, great love of Thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven.

(Chorus)

***PRAYER OF PRAISE**

***BEHOLD OUR GOD**

Who has held the oceans in his hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at his voice.
All creation rises to rejoice.

(Chorus)

*Behold our God, seated on his throne. Come let us adore him.
Behold our King, nothing can compare. Come let us adore him!*

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of his words?
Who can teach the one who knows all things?
Who can fathom all his wondrous deeds?

(Chorus)

Who has felt the nails upon his hands,
bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal, humbled to the grave,
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign!

(Chorus)

You will reign forever, you will reign forever! (2x)

(Chorus)

**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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**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.

COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *Proverbs 1:8-10*

Hear, my son, your father's instruction, and forsake not your mother's teaching, for they are a graceful garland for your head and pendants for your neck. My son, if sinners entice you, do not consent.

All: Most merciful father, we acknowledge and confess that we are prone to evil and are lazy in doing good. All our shortcomings and offences are against you. We have sinned by wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts and forgetting your love. O Lord, have pity on us. Teach us to hate our sins. Cleanse us from our secret faults. Do not cast us out, but forgive all our sins on account of your dear Son, our Savior.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *John 6:37-39*

Jesus said: 'All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day.'

***JESUS STRONG AND KIND**

Jesus said that if I thirst, I should come to him
No one else can satisfy, I should come to him

Jesus said if I am weak, I should come to him
No one else can be my strength, I should come to him

(Chorus)

*For the Lord is good and faithful, He will keep us day and night
We can always run to Jesus, Jesus strong and kind*

Jesus said that if I fear, I should come to him
No one else can be my shield, I should come to him
(Chorus)

Jesus said if I am lost, He will come to me
And he showed me on that cross He will come to me
(Chorus 2x)

OFFERTORY: *(Offerings can be mailed to the church or given online at faithcov.com)
Children ages 4-6 excused for Children's Church during 11 a.m. services (downstairs 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.)

Sermon Series: Haggai

Pastor John Sackett

All Cleaned Up and Ready to Give Thanks — Haggai 2:10-2:19(ESV)

¹⁵ Now then, consider from this day onward. Before stone was placed upon stone in the temple of the LORD, ¹⁶ how did you fare? When one came to a heap of twenty measures, there were but ten. When one came to the wine vat to draw fifty measures, there were but twenty.

¹⁷ I struck you and all the products of your toil with blight and with mildew and with hail, yet you did not turn to me, declares the LORD.

¹⁸ Consider from this day onward, from the twenty-fourth day of the ninth month. Since the day that the foundation of the LORD's temple was laid, consider: ¹⁹ Is the seed yet in the barn? Indeed, the vine, the fig tree, the pomegranate, and the olive tree have yielded nothing. But from this day on I will bless you.”

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 Outline

- I. How man defiles
- II. How God cleans & blesses
- III. A thankful life

Sermon Questions

1. In 2:11-12, the prophet Haggai asks the priests for a ruling on the “law”. In addition to the obvious significance of the question and answer, what other implications might this interaction have?
2. What do you think of the idea that defilement “spreads like a contagious disease”?
3. God in verse 17 states “I struck you ... yet you did not return to me”, what does this say about God’s intentions in adversity and in covenant curses?
4. Ian Duguid remarks “Circumstances will not be transformed by a slow process of moral improvement, but rather through God’s decision to act to give peace to his people through dwelling with them...” What circumstances in your life need transforming? Are you trying to fix/clean it up yourself? How’s that working?
5. Our text ends, “But from this day on, I will Bless You”. How do you live with these blessings in mind? How might others see these blessings in your life?

Children's Question

*If you wipe dirty hands on a clean shirt, what happens to the shirt
What about if you wipe clean hands on a dirty shirt? How do we get that shirt clean?
How does God make us clean? Is that something to be thankful for?
Who can you tell about God cleaning you?*

***WHAT WONDROUS LOVE IS THIS?**

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down
When I was sinking down, sinking down
When I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM,
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
While millions join the theme, I will sing.

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be
And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And through eternity I'll sing on.

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'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.

***WE ARE NOT OVERCOME**

Flesh will fail and bones will break, thieves will steal, the earth will shake
Night will fall, the light will fade, the Lord will give and take away

(Chorus)

Because of His great love we are not overcome

Because of His great love we are not overcome

Put no trust in the earth, in the sod you stand upon
Flowers fade into dust, the Lord will make a place for us

(Chorus)

Offer up your shoes and shirt, turn your cheek, turn your cheek
Bear the yoke of love and death, the Lord will give all life and breath

(Chorus)

Because of His great love we are not overcome

***BENEDICTION**

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: Hope Pregnancy Ministries

MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: Church of the Cross, PCA, Whitefish

THANKSGIVING OFFERING: An offering will be taken TODAY for the PCA Ministerial Relief Fund that supports widows of PCA pastors and missionaries.

HANGING OF THE GREENS: Help decorate the church Saturday, Nov. 28, at 10 a.m.

LADIES' CHRISTMAS LUNCH Sunday, Dec. 6, at 12:30 p.m. We will again collect gift cards for Refuge client Christmas gifts — they can be dropped off at the church office or with Susan Sackett or Becky Neumann anytime. RSVP by signing up in the foyer.

SERVING: November Deacon – Bruce Tulloch

WEEKLY/MONTHLY

Today (1st service/2nd service)

Children's Church: 9:30 Sunday School — 11 Judy Peters & Lori George

Nursery: 9:30 Sunday School — 11 Motleys

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Gloria Hanson/Staci Bennett

Next Sunday November 29th

Children's Church: 9:30 Sunday School — 11 Judy Peters & Lori George

Nursery: 9:30 Sunday School — 11 Turners

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Eileen Pierson/Gloria Johnson

Sunday Worship Services

8, 9:30 & 11 am, 6:30 pm

Streaming 11 am

Vespers

2nd Sunday of the month

6:30 p.m.

Wednesday Youth Group

Jr High 4:30-6 pm, Sr High 7-9