

FAITH 
COVENANT

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Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

April 18, 2021

*“This makes Jesus the guarantor of a better covenant.”
Hebrews 7:22*

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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** *2 Samuel 22:47-50*

Leader: The LORD lives, and blessed be my rock, and exalted be my God, the rock of my salvation.

All: For this I will praise you, O LORD, among the nations, and sing praises to your name.

***PRAISE TO THE LORD THE ALMIGHTY** - *Hymn #53, vs. 1-2, 4-5*

Praise to the Lord the Almighty, the King of creation
O my soul praise Him for He is thy health and salvation
All ye who hear now to His temple draw near
Join me in glad adoration

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen, how thy desires e'er have been
Granted in what he ordaineth

Praise to the Lord, who with marvelous wisdom hath made thee,
Decked thee with health, and with loving hand guided and stayed thee.
How oft in grief hath not he brought thee relief,
Spreading his wings to o'ershade thee

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before Him
Let the amen sound from His people again
Gladly fore'er we adore Him

*PRAYER OF PRAISE

*ABIDE WITH ME

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide.
When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, abide with me.

You on my head, in early youth did smile;
And, though rebellious, and perverse meanwhile,
You did not leave me, as often I left Thee.
On to the end Lord, abide with me.

I need Your presence, every passing hour.
What but Your grace, can foil the tempter's power?
Who, like Yourself, my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with You at hand to bless
Ills have no weight, tears lose their bitterness
Where is your sting death? Where grave your victory?
I triumph still, abide with me.

Hold up your cross Lord, before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's chains are freed;
In life, in death, Lord, abide with me.

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.

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COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *Matthew 5:17-19*

Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

WE HAVE NOT LOVED THEE WITH A PURE HEART

We have not loved Thee with a pure heart
Nor have we loved each other
We've not done justly and we've not loved mercy
Nor walked humbly with God

Have mercy, have mercy
Jesus, have mercy, have mercy on us
(Repeat all)

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Hebrews 9:15*

He is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant.

**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 forgiv-
en before the
Lord of glory.

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***JESUS! WHAT A FRIEND FOR SINNERS!** - *Hymn #498 vs. 1-3, 5*

Jesus what a friend for sinners, Jesus lover of my soul
Friends may fail me foes assail me, he my Savior makes me whole

(Chorus)

*Hallelujah what a Savior! Hallelujah what a friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, he is with me to the end*

Jesus what a strength in weakness, let me hide myself in Him
Tempted tried and sometimes failing, he my strength my victory wins

(Chorus)

Jesus what a help in sorrow, while the billows o'er me roll
Even when my heart is breaking, he my comfort helps my soul

(Chorus)

Jesus I do now receive Him, more than all in Him I find
He hath granted me forgiveness, I am His and He is mine

(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: Hebrews — Finish the Race

Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.

Jesus Brings A New Priesthood — Hebrews 7:1-28 (ESV)

¹¹ Now if perfection had been attainable through the Levitical priesthood (for under it the people received the law), what further need would there have been for another priest to arise after the order of Melchizedek, rather than one named after the order of Aaron? ¹² For when there is a change in the priesthood, there is necessarily a change in the law as well. ¹³ For the one of whom these things are spoken belonged to another tribe, from which no one has ever served at the altar. ¹⁴ For it is evident that our Lord was descended from Judah, and in connection with that tribe Moses said nothing about priests.

¹⁵ This becomes even more evident when another priest arises in the likeness of Melchizedek, ¹⁶ who has become a priest, not on the basis of a legal requirement concerning bodily descent, but by the power of an indestructible life. ¹⁷ For it is witnessed of him,

“You are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek.”

Sermon Outline

- I. Melchizedek — A Type

- II. Jesus Replaces the Shadows

Sermon Questions

- 1. Nowhere else in Scripture is Jesus referred to as a priest. Why is this so important for the hearers of Hebrews?
- 2. Consider: “Hebrews is making two declarations: 1. Jesus’ appointment to the high priestly office was the action of God; 2. Jesus is a unique high priest because God raised him from the dead.” — William Lane
- 3. What does it mean that the author uses Melchizedek as a “type”? What are pitfalls to watch out for in understanding how “types” are used?

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**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.

4. Psalm 110:4 seems to come completely out of the blue regarding Melchizedek. It unites king and priest together. Why is the distinction of Jesus being a prophet, priest, and king important in Scripture?
5. Why is it important that we understand the NT in light of the OT?

Children's Question

How are you encouraged knowing the Jesus speaks well of you to the Father?

*CHRIST IS MINE FOREVERMORE

Mine are days that God has numbered, I was made to walk with Him
 Yet I look for worldly treasure and forsake the King of kings
 But mine is hope in my Redeemer though I fall, his love is sure
 For Christ has paid for every failing, I am His forevermore

Mine are tears in times of sorrow, darkness not yet understood
 Through the valley I must travel where I see no earthly good
 But mine is peace that flows from heaven and the strength in times of need
 I know my pain will not be wasted, Christ completes his work in me

Mine are days here as a stranger, pilgrim on a narrow way
 One with Christ I will encounter harm and hatred for his name
 But mine is armor for this battle, strong enough to last the war
 And he has said he will deliver safely to the golden shore

And mine are keys to Zion city, where beside the King I walk
 For there my heart has found its treasure
 Christ is mine forevermore

*Come rejoice now, O my soul, for his love is my reward
 Fear is gone and hope is sure, Christ is mine forevermore! (3x)*

And mine are keys to Zion city, where beside the King I walk
 For there my heart has found its treasure
 Christ is mine forevermore (3x)

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.

**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.

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

***DOXOLOGY (ROMANS II)**

Oh, the depths of the riches
Of the wisdom and knowledge of God
How unsearchable His judgments,
How untraceable his paths.

Who knows the mind of our God?
And who can bring counsel to Him?
Who has given to God, that God should repay?
For from Him, through Him,
To Him is everything.
To God be the glory forever and ever,
To God be the glory forever, Amen.

(Repeat)

***BENEDICTION**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: Grace Presbyterian Church, PCA, Mt. Vernon, WA,
Pastor David Klein

MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: The E family ministering to the Turkish people of Central Asia

LADIES' TEA: Ladies of Faith Covenant are invited to Tea á Paris on Sunday, May 2, at
12:30 p.m. after worship services. Sign up in the foyer.

CHURCH NEWS: Please contact the church office (office@faithcov.com) to update your
contact information, sign up for the Friday enewsletter or be added to the prayer list.

SERVING: April Deacon – Terry Falk

Today (1st service/2nd service)

Children's Church: 11 Micah Tinkham

Nursery: 11 Wrights

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Traci Carroll/Theresa Paolini

Next Sunday, April 25th

Children's Church: 11 Micah Tinkham

Nursery: 11 Lancasters

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Eileen Pierson/Benni Tulloch

WEEKLY/MONTHLY

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

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