

FAITH   
COVENANT  

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*Spreading A Love for God and His Glory*

*June 27, 2021*

*“But God will ransom my soul from the power of Sheol,  
for He will receive me.”*

*Psalm 49:15*

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

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP: *Psalm 145:1-7*

Leader: I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever. Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever.

All: Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable.

Leader: One generation shall commend your works to another and shall declare your mighty acts. On the glorious splendor of your majesty, and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.

All: They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds, and I will declare your greatness. They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant goodness and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.

### \*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.*

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**\*PRAYER OF PRAISE**

**\*OUR GREAT GOD**

Eternal God, unchanging, mysterious and unknown  
Your boundless love unfailing, in grace and mercy shown  
Bright seraphim in endless flight around your glorious throne  
They raise their voices day and night in praise to you alone.

*(Chorus)*

*Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!*

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Lord, we are weak and frail, helpless in the storm  
Surround us with your angels, hold us in your arms  
Our cold and ruthless enemy, his pleasure is our harm  
Rise up, oh Lord, and he will flee before our Sovereign God.

*(Chorus)*

Let every creature in the sea and every flying bird  
Let every mountain, every field and valley of the earth  
Let all the moons and all the stars in all the universe  
Sing praises to the living God, who rules them by his word

*(Chorus x2)*

**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.

## COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

**SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION:** *Deuteronomy 32:4; 5:32-33*

The Rock, his work is perfect, for all his ways are justice. A God of faithfulness and without iniquity, just and upright is he. You shall be careful therefore to do as the LORD your God has commanded you. You shall not turn aside to the right hand or to the left. You shall walk in all the way that the LORD your God has commanded you, that you may live, and that it may go well with you, and that you may live long in the land that you shall possess.

**All:** O Lord, my every sense and affection is a snare to me. I can scarce open my eyes but I envy those above me or I despise those below. I covet the honor and riches of the mighty and I am proud and unmerciful to the poverty of others. When I see beauty it is a bait to lust. When I see deformity, it stirs up loathing and disdain. I slander those made in your image and I allow godless speech to creep out of my heart. Forgive me Lord Jesus. Cleanse me from my sin—both my outward acts and the sinful thoughts of my heart. Wash me that I would be clean.

## SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

**DECLARATION OF GRACE:** *Psalms 145:8-9*

The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. The LORD is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made.

**\*SCRIPTURAL CONFESSION:** *Ephesians 2:8-10*

**All:** For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

### **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.

CHRISTIAN BAPTISM OF:

*Amos Shepherd Cunningham*

*Connor Elijah Cunningham*

*Levi Johnson Cunningham*

OFFERTORY: *(Offerings can also be given online at [faithcov.com](http://faithcov.com))*

*Children ages 4-6 excused for Children's Church during 10 a.m. services (downstairs corner classroom)*

*Remember to sign the attendance register in your pew so we can better minister to you and your family.*

\*IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL - Hymn #691

When peace like a river attendeth my way,  
when sorrows like sea billows roll;  
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,  
"It is well, it is well with my soul."

*(Chorus)*

*It is well with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.*

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,  
let this blest assurance control:  
that Christ has regarded my helpless estate,  
and has shed his own blood for my soul.

*(Chorus)*

My sin oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!  
my sin, not in part, but the whole,  
is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more;  
praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

*(Chorus)*

O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,  
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll;  
the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend;  
even so, it is well with my soul.

*(Chorus)*

**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: Summer Psalms & Proverbs*

Pastor John Sackett

*A Riddle ... Solved — Psalm 49 (ESV)*

<sup>1</sup> Hear this, all peoples! Give ear, all inhabitants of the world, ...

<sup>5</sup> Why should I fear in times of trouble, when the iniquity of those who cheat me surrounds me, <sup>6</sup> those who trust in their wealth and boast of the abundance of their riches?

<sup>7</sup> Truly no man can ransom another, or give to God the price of his life, <sup>8</sup> for the ransom of their life is costly and can never suffice, <sup>9</sup> that he should live on forever and never see the pit.

<sup>10</sup> For he sees that even the wise die; the fool and the stupid alike must perish and leave their wealth to others.

<sup>11</sup> Their graves are their homes forever, their dwelling places to all generations, though they called lands by their own names.

<sup>12</sup> Man in his pomp will not remain; he is like the beasts that perish.

<sup>13</sup> This is the path of those who have foolish confidence; yet after them people approve of their boasts. *Selah*

<sup>14</sup> Like sheep they are appointed for Sheol; death shall be their shepherd, and the upright shall rule over them in the morning. Their form shall be consumed in Sheol, with no place to dwell.

<sup>15</sup> But God will ransom my soul from the power of Sheol, for he will receive me. *Selah*

**Sermon Outline**

- I. An invitation to learn
  
- II. A Riddle that puzzles us all
  
- III. A Solution that saves

**Sermon Questions?**

1. How do we know this Psalm is intended for everyone? What do we do in our own lives to insulate ourselves from Scripture really penetrating into our hearts and minds?
2. What is the “riddle” of this Psalm? How have you wrestled with this puzzle? Whom do you know in your spheres of influence that is wrestling with this riddle?

**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.

3. The refrain in vs 12 and 20 are essentially the same, yet serve a slightly different function. How are they a little different in their use?
4. Derek Kidner states that the “But God” in vs 15 is one of the “great mountain tops of the Old Testament”. What do you suppose he means? What do you see as some of the other great mountain tops?
5. What is the essential message of this Psalm and how can that change us?

### Children’s Question

*When you drive around and see old abandoned barns and houses, do you ever wonder who lived there and what their life was like? The Bible tells us that one day we too will be gone, and while we can’t take anything with us, we can prepare for eternal life afterwards. How can you prepare?*

#### \*MY WORTH IS NOT IN WHAT I OWN

My worth is not in what I own, not in the strength of flesh and bone  
 But in the costly wounds of love at the cross  
 My worth is not in skill or name, in win or lose, in pride or shame  
 But in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross

(Chorus)

*I rejoice in my Redeemer  
 Greatest treasure, wellspring of my soul  
 I will trust in Him, no other, my soul is satisfied in Him alone*

As summer flowers we fade and die, fame, youth and beauty hurry by  
 But life eternal calls to us at the cross  
 I will not boast in wealth or might or human wisdom's fleeting light  
 But I will boast in knowing Christ at the cross

(Chorus)

Two wonders here that I confess: my worth and my unworthiness  
 My value fixed, my ransom paid at the cross

(Chorus 2x)

#### 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

#### **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.

**\*I WILL SING OF MY REDEEMER - Hymn #650**

I will sing of my Redeemer and his wondrous love to me  
on the cruel cross he suffered, from the curse to set me free

*(Chorus)*

*Sing, O sing of my Redeemer! With his blood he purchased me;  
On the cross he sealed my pardon, paid the debt, and made me free*

I will tell the wondrous story, how my lost estate to save  
in his boundless love and mercy, he the ransom freely gave

*(Chorus)*

I will praise my dear Redeemer, his triumphant power I'll tell  
how the victory he gives me over sin and death and hell

*(Chorus)*

I will sing of my Redeemer and his heavenly love for me  
he from death to life has brought me, Son of God, with him to be

*(Chorus)*

**\*BENEDICTION**

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**LOCAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR:** St. Peter Lutheran Whitefish, Pastor Tim Christenson  
**MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR:** Chaplains for local law enforcement and health care  
**OLYMPIAN VBS 2021:** A huge thank you to everyone who made VBS a great week for kids!  
**MISSION MEAL:** Join us for lunch TODAY with Kevin & Sarah Johnson, missionaries in Guatemala, after the second service.  
**GENERAL OFFERING SUMMARY:** Targeted Budget = \$246,036; Offerings Received = \$236,111  
**SAVE THE DATE! FAITH COVENANT CAMP** with our church family Labor Day weekend, Sept. 3-5, at Thompson Lakes Christian Retreat.

**SERVING:** June Deacon – Mike Stahlberg

**Today, June 27th**

Children's Church: 10 Judy Peters      Nursery: 10 Falk/Davis  
Fellowship Hosts: : Debbie Corder & Vicky Creamer  
Communion Prep/Cleanup: Carolyn Duncan/Arline Tinkham

**Next Sunday, July 4th**

Children's Church: 10 Julie Thompson      Nursery: 10 Lancaster  
Fellowship Hosts: Kate Anderson & Eileen Pierson  
Communion Prep/Cleanup: Fenners/Staci Bennett

**WEEKLY/MONTHLY**

**Sunday Worship Services**  
8:15 & 10:00am

**Wednesday Youth Groups**  
Jr High 4:30-6 pm, Sr High 7-9  
College Group 6:30 p.m.

**Elder/Deacon Meeting**  
3rd Tuesdays 7 pm