

FAITH 
COVENANT

C H U R C H

Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

October 3, 2021

*“Jesus said to them,
“Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am.”
John 8:58*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

***CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 113:1-3**

Leader: Praise the Lord. Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord. Let the name of the Lord be praised, both now and forevermore. From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets, the name of the Lord is to be praised.

***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)

continued above

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

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.

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*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 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
(Repeat All)

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

COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *Psalm 37:3-5, 8-9*

Trust in the LORD, and do good; dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness. Delight yourself in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him, and he will act. Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath! Fret not yourself; it tends only to evil. For the evildoers shall be cut off, but those who wait for the LORD shall inherit the land.

All: Give ear to my words, O LORD; the sound of my cry, for you are not a God who delights in wickedness; evil may not dwell with you. Yet, my heart is often filled with wicked and lustful thoughts, and I delight in my desires and not yours. The boastful shall not stand before your eyes; you hate all evildoers. Yet, I am proud and haughty. You destroy those who speak lies; the LORD abhors the bloodthirsty and deceitful man. Yet, I have a deceitful tongue and savor thoughts of vengeance and wrath. My King and my God, for to you do I pray. Forgive me my sins, cleanse me of the filth of my transgressions. Through the abundance of your steadfast love, will I enter your house. Lead me, O LORD, in your righteousness for the sake of your beloved Son. Amen.

(adapted from Psalm 5)

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Romans 8:1-2*

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death.

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.

***JESUS PAID IT ALL (O PRAISE THE ONE)**

I hear the Savior say, thy strength indeed is small
Child of weakness watch and pray, find in Me thine all in all

(Chorus)

*Jesus paid it all; all to Him I owe
Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow*

Lord now indeed I find, thy power and thine alone
Can change the leper's spots, and melt the heart of stone

(Chorus)

And when before the throne, I stand in Him complete
Jesus died my soul to save, my lips shall still repeat

(Chorus)

*O praise the One who paid my debt
And raised this life up from the dead (3x)*

(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.)

CHRISTIAN BAPTISM OF:

Amelia Mae Streich

OFFERTORY & RESPONSE

Diaconal Offering today: Please use the Special Offering envelopes located in the pew racks.

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

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

ALL MUST BE WELL

Through the love of God our Savior all will be well
Free and changeless is His favor all is well
Precious is the blood that healed us
Perfect is the grace that sealed us
Strong the hand stretched forth to shield us
All must be well

Though we pass through tribulation all will be well
Ours is such a full salvation all is well
Happy still in God confiding
Fruitful if in Christ abiding
Steadfast through the Spirit's guiding
All must be well

We expect a bright tomorrow all will be well
Faith can sing through days of sorrow all is well
On our Father's love relying
Jesus ev'ry need supplying
Yes in living and in dying
All must be well

On our Father's love relying, Jesus ev'ry need supplying
Yes in living or in dying all must be well

Sermon Series: The Seven I Am Sayings of Jesus
Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.
I Am — John 8:48-59 (ESV)

⁴⁸ The Jews answered him, “Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?” ⁴⁹ Jesus answered, “I do not have a demon, but I honor my Father, and you dishonor me. ⁵⁰ Yet I do not seek my own glory; there is One who seeks it, and he is the judge. ⁵¹ Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death.” ⁵² The Jews said to him, “Now we know that you have a demon! Abraham died, as did the prophets, yet you say, ‘If anyone keeps my word, he will never taste death.’ ⁵³ Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do you make yourself out to be?” ⁵⁴ Jesus answered, “If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say, ‘He is our God.’ ⁵⁵ But you have not known him. I know him. If I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and I keep his word. ⁵⁶ Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad.” ⁵⁷ So the Jews said to him, “You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?” ⁵⁸ Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am.” ⁵⁹ So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

Sermon Outline

I. Who’s your Father?

II. Who’s the Son?

Sermon Questions

1. The growing antagonism with Jesus and his detractors, prepares the way for the cross. What were the main points of contention with Jesus?
2. Looking at Exodus 3:14 and Isaiah 43:10, how does Jesus claim divinity to himself in his statement here in verse 58?
3. In what way did Abraham see Jesus day and rejoice? How does Jesus show the Jewish people that they are actually bad sons of Abraham?
4. The call to be a follower of Jesus is a call to be all in or all out. What about our doubts and struggles, how do those fit in with being a disciple?

Children's Question

*Jesus calls on his followers to be all in. A half-hearted disciple is not a disciple.
What does following Jesus with all your heart look like for 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.

**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.

***IN CHRIST ALONE**

In Christ alone my hope is found, he is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones he came to save;
Till on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied
For ev'ry sin on him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground his body lay, light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave he rose again!
And as he stands in victory sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
for I am his and he is mine bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
*No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from his hand.
Till he returns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.*

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

8:15 Elder Matt Riley — 11 Pastor

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.

***ALL TO JESUS I SURRENDER** - Hymn #562, vs. 1, 3-4

All to Jesus I surrender,
All to Him I freely give;
May I ever love and trust Him,
In His presence daily live.

(Chorus)

*I surrender all, I surrender all;
All to Thee, my blessed Savior,
I surrender all.*

All to Jesus I surrender,
Make me, Savior, wholly Thine;
May thy Holy Spirit fill me
May I know thy power divine.

(Chorus)

All to Jesus I surrender,
Lord, I give myself to Thee;
Fill me with Thy love and power,
Let Thy blessing fall on me.

(Chorus)

***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. — Associate Pastor John Sackett

Youth/Refuge Director: Asst. Pastor Ben Melli Music Director/Assistant: Lisa Iddings/Laura Sackett

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

Elders: Tim Anderson, 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

To be added to church enews and prayer lists, please contact us at office@faithcov.com.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: Alethia Christian Fellowship, Kalispell,
Pastor Scott Keller

MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: David & Ulrike Byle, Bible Correspondence
Course

DIACONAL OFFERING: This morning we share in worshipping through our di-
aconal offering for those needing assistance in our church and community. Please
use the Special Offering envelopes located in the pew racks.

LADIES' FALL FAVORITES POTLUCK: Women of all ages are invited to a pot-
luck TODAY, after second service, as we kick off another year of women's minis-
try! Come for fellowship and learn more how you can be involved. Bring your fa-
vorite fall food with a recipe card.

VESPERS: Join us Sunday, Oct. 10, at 6:30 p.m. for our monthly Vespers service.

ELDER/DEACON NOMINATIONS: Elder/Deacon Nomination Packets are avail-
able for pickup in the foyer. Nominations should be submitted by October 18th.

CORN MAZE & CHILI LUNCH: Everyone is invited Sunday, Oct. 24, at 12:30
p.m. for a chili lunch at the church and corn maze fun (entry paid by the church).
Sign up in the foyer, or contact the church office (752-2400).

ENEWSLETTER: If you would like to be added to the email list for our Friday
newsletter, contact the office at office@faithcov.com.

LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY is TODAY at 2-3 p.m. This annual event sponsored by
Flathead ProLife is a gathering at the intersection of Hwy 93 and Hwy 2 to pray for
the end of legal abortion and that life will be held sacred from conception to natu-
ral death.

SERVING: October Deacon – Kyle Hanson

Today (1st service/2nd service)

Ushers: Carrolls/von Olhausen

Children's Church: Julie Thompson

Nursery: Hunters

Fellowship Hosts: Niam Moody & Kelly Brown

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Carolyn Duncan/Theresa Paolini

Next Sunday October 10th

Ushers: Carrolls/Lancasters

Children's Church: Julie Thompson

Nursery: Lancasters

Fellowship Hosts: Kate Anderson & Kim von Olhausen

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Fenness/Benni Tulloch

WEEKLY/MONTHLY

Sunday Worship Services

8:15 & 11 am, 6:30 pm

Sunday School

Sept.-May 10 am

Elder/Deacon Meeting

3rd Tuesdays 7 pm

Wednesdays

Men's Breakfast 6:30 am

Women's Bible Study 9:30, 12:30, 4:30

Jr High Youth @ 5 pm

Sr. High Youth @ 6:30 pm

Career Group 7 pm

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