

FAITH 
COVENANT

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Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

July 24, 2022

*“For just as the body is one and has many members,
and all the members of the body, though many,
are one body, so it is with Christ.”*

1 Corinthians 12:12

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

***CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 95:6-7**

Leader: Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before
the LORD, our Maker.

All: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.

***ALL THE PEOPLE THAT ON EARTH DO DWELL**

All people that on earth do dwell
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice
Him serve with fear, his praise forth-tell
Come ye before him and rejoice

The Lord ye know is God indeed
Without our aid he did us make
We are his folk, he doth us feed
And for his sheep he doth us take

O enter then his gates with praise
Approach with joy his courts unto
Praise, laud, and bless his name always
For it is seemly so to do

For why? the Lord our God is good
His mercy is for ever sure
His truth at all times firmly stood
And shall from age to age endure
Amen

***PRAYER OF PRAISE**

***I WILL WAIT FOR YOU (PSALM 130)**

Out of the depths I cry to You
In darkest places I will call
Incline Your ear to me anew
And hear my cry for mercy, Lord

Were You to count my sinful ways
How could I come before Your throne
Yet full forgiveness meets my gaze
I stand redeemed by grace alone

(Chorus)

*I will wait for You, I will wait for You
On Your word, I will rely
I will wait for You, surely wait for You
Till my soul is satisfied*

So put your hope in God alone
Take courage in His power to save
Completely and forever won
By Christ emerging from the grave
(Chorus)

Now He has come to make a way
And God Himself has paid the price
That all who trust in Him today find healing in His sacrifice

*I will wait for You, I will wait for You
Through the storm and through the night
I will wait for You, surely wait for You
For Your love is my delight (2x)*

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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**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.

COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *1 Samuel 15:22-23*

Has the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to listen than the fat of rams. For rebellion is as the sin of divination, and presumption is as iniquity and idolatry.

All: Holy Father, you see us as we are, and know our inmost thoughts. We confess that we are unworthy of your gracious care. We forget that all life comes from you and that to you all life returns. We have not sought to do your will with our whole hearts. We have not lived as grateful children, nor loved as Christ loved us. Apart from you, we are nothing. Only your grace can sustain us. Lord, in your mercy, forgive us, heal us, and make us whole. Set us free from our sin, and restore us to the joy of your salvation now and forever. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Exodus 34:6-7*

The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin.

SCRIPTURAL CONFESSON 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.

***I WILL TRUST MY SAVIOR JESUS**

I will trust my Savior Jesus
When my darkest doubts befall
Trust him when to simply trust him
Seems the hardest thing of all

I will trust my Savior Jesus
Trust him when my strength is small
For I know the shield of Jesus
Is the safest place of all

(Chorus)

*Jesus only Jesus, help me trust you more and more
Jesus only Jesus, may my heart be ever yours*

I will trust my Savior Jesus
He has said his way is best
And I know the path he's chosen
Leads to everlasting rest

(Chorus)

Oh on that cross how it was seen
I can go now ever trusting
In the one who died for me
What could I bring for your gift is complete
So I trust you simply trust you Lord
With every part of me (2x)

(Chorus 2x)

OFFERTORY & RESPONSE

*Reminder: please sign and pass the Attendance Register down the pew.
Children ages 4-6 excused for Children's Church (downstairs Corner Classroom)*

MARVELOUS GRACE OF OUR LOVING LORD - Hymn #465

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord,
Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt,
Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured,
There where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

(Chorus)

*Grace, grace, God's grace
Grace that will pardon and cleanse within
Grace grace, God's grace
Grace that is greater than all our sin*

Sin and despair like the sea waves cold,
Threaten the soul with infinite loss;
Grace that is greater, yes, grace untold,
Points to the refuge, the mighty cross.

(Chorus)

Dark is the stain that we cannot hide,
What can avail to wash it away?
Look! there is flowing a crimson tide;
Whiter than snow you may be today.

(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: 1 Corinthians—Living in the Mess

Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.

One Body With Many Necessary Parts — 1 Corinthians 12:12–31 (ESV)

¹² For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit.

¹⁴ For the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵ If the foot should say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶ And if the ear should say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, where would be the sense of hearing? If the whole body were an ear, where would be the sense of smell? ¹⁸ But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹ If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰ As it is, there are many parts, yet one body.

²¹ The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you,” nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” ²² On the contrary, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³ and on those parts of the body that we think less honorable we bestow the greater honor, and our unpresentable parts are treated with greater modesty, ²⁴ which our more presentable parts do not require. But God has so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it, ²⁵ that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶ If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together.

²⁷ Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. ²⁸ And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, helping, administrating, and various kinds of tongues. ²⁹ Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? ³⁰ Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? ³¹ But earnestly desire the higher gifts.

Sermon Outline

I. Needing Others

II. Being a Gift

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.

Sermon Questions

1. The greater gifts are those that serve the good of others. How does this undercut our proud desires to promote ourselves?
2. How does Christianity maintain the ability for us to remain an individual even while a part of the whole body? Why is this important?
3. In Acts 9:4, Jesus asks Saul why Saul is persecuting him (Saul was persecuting believers). What does this tell us about how Jesus views his people? What does this tell us when we sin against others?
4. From verse 31, how are we to go about desiring the higher gifts? How is this desiring informed by chapter 13 on love?

Children's Question

When we sin against other believers, in a sense, we are also sinning against Jesus. How should this help remind us to love and care for one another with greater care?

***THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION** - *Hymn #347, vs. 1, 2, 4-6*

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord
she is his new creation by water and the Word
from heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride
with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth
her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth
one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food
and to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued

The church shall never perish! Her dear Lord to defend
To guide, sustain and cherish, is with her to the end
Though there be those that hate her, and false sons in her pale
Against or foe or traitor, she ever shall prevail

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war
she waits the consummation of peace forevermore
till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest
and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we
like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee

**God Communes
with Us**

The Lord
strengthens and
nourishes our
faith through a
sacramental
meal. Through
Jesus, commun-
ion 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.

We observe the Lord's Supper 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. Visiting children who have not been examined by their church's leadership, we ask to refrain. By sharing in the Supper, you are acknowledging to our church that you are in covenant with our Triune God through the person and work of Jesus Christ. If you are in doubt about your participation, please refrain. 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.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Wine is located in the two outer rings; juice is located in the center ring.
(See FCC observance below)*

PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION

8:15 Elder Tom Jentz — 11 Elder Tim Anderson

*AARON'S BLESSING

May the Lord bless you and keep you (*congregation repeats*)
May the Lord make his face to shine on you (*congregation repeats*)
And be gracious to you (*congregation repeats*)

May the Lord lift his countenance on you (*congregation repeats*)
May he keep you in perfect peace (*congregation repeats*)

*BENEDICTION

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

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.

Leaders & Staff

Senior Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D. — Associate Pastor John Sackett

Assistant Pastor (Youth): Ben Melli Music Director/Assistant: Lisa Iddings/Laura Sackett

Refuge Director: Sissy Hashley Staff: Kristin Bay, Hanni Hanson, Carlynn Stahlberg, Kelly Brown

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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: Faith Free Lutheran Church, Kalispell, Pastor Steve Snipstead

MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: J & E, MTW church planting in the Middle East

EVENING SERVICE: Sunday evening services are the fourth Sunday over the summer so there will be a service TONIGHT at 6:30 p.m.

LADIES' HIKE will be Tuesday, July 26, with Church of the Cross (Whitefish) to Skiumah Lake in the Great Bear Wilderness. Meet at Super One in Columbia Falls at 10 a.m. to carpool. Bring a lunch, snacks, and gear for a brushy 4-mile hike. Contact Susan Sackett with questions (307-287-5329).

FOSTER/ADOPTIVE CARE MINISTRY: Faith Covenant Women's Ministry would like start a ministry to serve those in our midst who are fostering and/or adopting children. If you have a heart to serve those who are serving precious children in our community, please contact Susan Sackett (307-287-5329).. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this opportunity to care for those caring for children in great need.

FAITH COVENANT CAMP: Come celebrate summer with your church family at Thompson Lake camp Friday-Sunday August 5-7. Spend the weekend or just come out for a day or for the Sunday morning worship service at camp. Register at faithcov.com or contact the office for details (752-2400).

SERVING: July Deacon - Micah Hill

Today (1st service/2nd service)

Ushers: Carrolls/A. Andersons

Children's Church: H. Hanson/J. Thompson

Nursery: Hunters & Streits

Fellowship Hosts: Laura Pierson & Yvonne Hernandez

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Gloria Tronstad/Jeanie Brenneman

Next Sunday July 31st

Ushers: Carrolls/A. Andersons

Children's Church: Pastor

Nursery: K. Brown & Hernandez

Fellowship Hosts: Janis Orndorff & Kim Hansen

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Traci Carroll/Yvonne Hernandez

WEEKLY/MONTHLY

Sunday Worship Services

8:15 & 10 am

Vespers

8/11 @ 6:30 pm

Evening Service

7/24, 8/28 @ 6:30 pm

Elder/Deacon Meeting

3rd Tuesdays 7 pm

Wednesdays

Men's Breakfast 6:30 am

Youth Group variable for summer

Career Group 7 pm

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