

FAITH 
COVENANT

C H U R C H

Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

November 6, 2022

“Love does not rejoice at wrongdoing,
but rejoices with the truth.”

1 Corinthians 13:6

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

Reading of the Faith Covenant Remembrance

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** *Psalm 100:1-2, 5*

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

**Indicates*

when to stand.

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***ONLY A HOLY GOD**

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven
Who else could make every king bow down
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles
Only a Holy God

What other beauty demands such praises
What other splendor outshines the sun
What other majesty rules with justice
Only a Holy God

(Chorus)

*Come and behold Him, the One and the Only
Cry out sing holy, forever a Holy God, come and worship the Holy God*

What other glory consumes like fire
What other power can raise the dead
What other name remains undefeated
Only a Holy God

(Chorus)

Who else could rescue me from my failing
Who else would offer His only Son
Who else invites me to call Him Father
Only a Holy God, only my Holy God
(Chorus 2x)

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.

***PRAYER OF PRAISE AND 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 us our debts

As we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil

For thine is the kingdom, and the power,

and the glory forever.

Amen.

***HOLY, HOLY, HOLY! - Hymn #100**

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;

Holy, Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty!

God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, Holy, Holy, all the saints adore thee,

Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;

Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,

Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, Holy, Holy, though the darkness hide thee,

Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,

Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee

Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!

All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.

Holy, Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty!

God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *Psalms 25:8-10, 12-14*

Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in the way. He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way. All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies ...Who is the man who fears the LORD? Him will he instruct in the way that he should choose. His soul shall abide in well-being, and his offspring shall inherit the land. The friendship of the LORD is for those who fear him, and he makes known to them his covenant.

All: Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old. Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O LORD! For your name's sake, O LORD, pardon my guilt, for it is great. My eyes are ever toward the LORD, for he will pluck my feet out of the net. Turn to me and be gracious to me, for I am lonely and afflicted. The troubles of my heart are enlarged; bring me out of my distresses. Consider my affliction and my trouble, and forgive all my sins. (*Psalms 25*)

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Matthew 11:28-30*

Jesus said: "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

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.

***HIS MERCY IS MORE**

(Chorus)

*Praise the Lord! His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness, new every morn
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more*

What love could remember no wrongs we have done
Omniscient, all-knowing, He counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What Father, so tender, is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more
(Chorus)

What riches of kindness He lavished on us
His blood was the payment, His life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more
(Chorus 2x)

CHRISTIAN BAPTISM OF:

Brooklynn Talor Neumann

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)*

THERE IS A FOUNTAIN FILLED WITH BLOOD *Hymn #253 v1-2, 5, 3*

There is a fountain filled with blood, drawn from Immanuel's veins;
and sinners, plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains:
lose all their guilty stains, lose all their guilty stains;
and sinners, plunged beneath that flood,
lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see that fountain in his day;
and there have I, as vile as he, washed all my sins away:
washed all my sins away, washed all my sins away;
and there have I, as vile as he,
washed all my sins away.

Dear dying Lamb, your precious blood shall never lose its pow'r,
till all the ransomed church of God be saved, to sin no more:
be saved, to sin no more, be saved, to sin no more;
till all the ransomed church of God
be saved to sin no more.

E'er since by faith I saw the stream your flowing wounds supply,
redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die:
and shall be till I die, and shall be till I die;
redeeming love has been my theme,
and shall be till I die.

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

Sermon Series: 1 Corinthians 13—The Nature of Love
Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.
A Love That Can Rejoice: 1 Corinthians 13:1-7 (ESV)

¹If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ²And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. ³If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing. ⁴Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant ⁵or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. ⁷Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Sermon Outline

*Because our joy flows from the Father having reconciled us to himself through the Son,
we are free from being defensive.*

I. Freed from defensiveness and gloating

II. Freed to Rejoice and Celebrate

Questions for Further Reflection:

1. Schadenfreude is a German word which means taking pleasure in someone else's misfortune. e.g Seeing someone with out-of-state plates stuck in the ditch and we laugh at them as we drive by. Genuine love cannot take delight in the harm of others.
2. How does the love of Christ help us to war against this sinful desire? What are challenges for you in this?
3. Biblical love puts God and others at the center. We are, so to speak, dethroned. How does this recentering of love answer the complaints that helping those who are disadvantaged is simply an act of domination over them?
4. Consider: "Love never relishes the opportunity to say, 'I told you so.'"—A. Thiselton. What ought to keep us from doing this?
5. Joy in the truth, joy in God's faithfulness comes to us as a gladness of the heart alongside a conviction of never saying that a wrong is right. Which side of this is a greater challenge for you (a gladness of heart or a firmness of conviction in truth)?

Children's Question

*Sometimes we think it is funny when something bad happens to others.
How does the love of Jesus help us to find happiness when others are blessed?*

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 GOODNESS OF JESUS

Come you weary heart now to Jesus
Come you anxious soul now and see
There is perfect love and comfort in your tears
Rest here in His wondrous peace

God Communes with Us

The Lord
strengthens
and nourishes
our faith
through a sac-
ramental meal.

Through Je-
sus, 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.

(Chorus)

*Oh the goodness, the goodness of Jesus
Satisfied, He is all that I need
May it be, come what may, that I rest all my days
In the goodness of Jesus*

Come find what this world cannot offer
Come and find your joy here complete
Taste the living water, never thirst again
Rest here in His wondrous peace

(Chorus)

Come and find your hope now in Jesus
He is all He said He would be
Grace is overflowing from the Saviour's heart
Rest here in His wondrous peace

(Chorus x 2)

May it be, come what may, that I rest all my days
In the goodness of Jesus

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Wine is located in the two outer rings; juice is located in the center ring.

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.

PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION

8:15 Elder Tom Jentz— 11 Elder Tim Anderson

*TO HIM WHO IS ABLE

(Women) To Him Who is able, (Men) To Him Who is Able
(Women) To keep you from falling, (Men) To keep you from falling

(Together) To Him, to Him, to Him
To Him, to Him, to Him. *(Repeat first time)*

We are standing in His presence
With our garments clean and white
All glory, honor, power, majesty
To Jesus Christ. *(Repeat All)*

(Women) To Him Who is able, (Men) To Him Who is Able
(Women) To keep you from falling, (Men) To keep you from falling

(Together) To Him, to Him, to Him
To Him, to Him, to Him.

*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

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Matt Riley, Micah Tinkham

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Mike Stahlberg, Bruce Tulloch

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: Kalispell First Church of the Nazarene, Pastor Joe Arnold

MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: Pastors Aaron Scott and Jake Neufeld serving at Church of the Cross, PCA, Whitefish

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES: It's that time again! Box labels are available in the foyer, or you can print your own at samaritanspurse.org. Please do not include toothpaste, candy, or any other food. The shipping cost is \$10/box. Collection Sunday will be Nov. 13.

VESPERS SERVICE: Come unplug and recharge with this evening service of prayer and song that takes place the second Sunday of every month at 6:30 p.m. The next one will be Nov. 13.

CHURCH DIRECTORY: We are in the process of updating the Faith Covenant Directory. If you want to be included in the directory and/or would like to replace your old family photo with a more recent one, email the church office (office@faithcov.com) by Nov. 14. Note: Please send all photos in JPEG format.

NEW BABY BASKET: Women's ministry is putting together a gift basket for Baby Mary Rose Cunningham. If you would like to donate something, please label the item and drop it off at the church office by Sunday, Nov. 20.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE & PIE SOCIAL: Join us Sunday evening, Nov. 21, for a special service of Thanksgiving followed by a pie social. Sign up in the foyer to bring a pie to share.

SAVE THE DATE—LADIES' CHRISTMAS LUNCH will be Sunday, Dec. 4, after church in the fellowship hall. We will again be collecting gift cards for Refuge clients Christmas gifts. Cards from grocery stores, box stores, coffee shops, and gas stations in any amount are appreciated and can be dropped off at the church office.

SERVING: November Deacon - Kyle Hanson

Today (1st service/2nd service)

Ushers: Sullivan/Bay

Children's Church: Nicole Hill/Micah Tinkham

Nursery: Lancasters

Fellowship Hosts: Carolyn Duncan & Alyssa Hobus

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Fosberys/Yvonne Hernandez

Next Sunday November 13th

Ushers: Sullivan/Bay

Children's Church: Nicole Hill/Micah Tinkham

Nursery: Streits & A. Tinkham

Fellowship Hosts: Sharon Salyer & Jeannie Haugestuen

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Gloria Hanson-Tronstad/Theresa Paolini

WEEKLY/MONTHLY

Sunday Worship Services

8:15 & 11 am

Vespers

2nd Sunday @ 6:30 pm

Elder/Deacon Meeting

3rd Tuesdays 7 pm

Wednesdays

Men's Breakfast 6:30 am

Jr High Youth @ 5 pm

Sr. High Youth @ 6:30 pm

Career Group 7 pm

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