

## OUR STATEMENT OF FAITH

The Presbyterian Church in America or “The PCA” is a distinctly evangelical denomination in the Reformed tradition. The Bible as the Word of God is the primary standard for our faith. The Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms, although subordinate to the Bible in their authority, set forth our understanding of biblical truth in a consistent, concise, and reliable form. In the Reformed tradition, there are five key tenets, among others, that we hold to: By Scripture Alone; By Christ Alone; By Grace Alone; By Faith Alone; and To God Alone be the Glory.

- We believe the Bible is the written word of God, inspired by the Holy Spirit and without error in the original manuscripts. The Bible is the revelation of God’s truth and is infallible and authoritative in all matters of faith and practice.
- We believe in the Holy Trinity. There is one God, who exists eternally in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- We believe that all are sinners and totally unable to save themselves from God’s displeasure, except by His mercy.
- We believe that salvation is by God alone as He sovereignly chooses those He will save. We believe His choice is based on His grace, not on any human individual merit, or foreseen faith.
- We believe that Jesus Christ is the eternal Son of God, who through His perfect life and sacrificial death atoned for the sins of all who will trust in Him, alone, for salvation.
- We believe that God is gracious and faithful to His people not simply as individuals but as families in successive generations according to His Covenant promises.
- We believe that the Holy Spirit indwells God’s people and gives them the strength and wisdom to trust Christ and follow Him.
- We believe that Jesus will return, bodily and visibly, to judge all mankind and to receive His people to Himself.
- We believe that all aspects of our lives are to be lived to the glory of God under the Lordship of Jesus Christ.



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*Spreading A Love for God and His Glory*

**October 26, 2014**

*“Saul was afraid of David because the LORD was with him  
but had departed from Saul.”  
1 Samuel 18:12*

## **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **His Calling and Our Praise**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP:** *Psalm 136:1-4; 1 Timothy 1:17*

Leader: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

**All: Give thanks to the God of gods, for his steadfast love endures forever.**

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord of lords, for his steadfast love endures forever; to him who alone does great wonders, for his steadfast love endures forever.

**All: To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever, Amen.**

*(\*Indicates when to stand)*

*We ask that you please turn off cell phones during the worship service. Thank you.*

**\*IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE** – Hymn #38

**\*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY!** – Hymn #100

**\*PRAYER OF PRAISE**

**\*BEAUTIFUL LORD**

When the storm is raging all around me,  
you are the peace that calms my troubled sea.

When the cares of this world darken my day,  
you are the light that shines, and shows me the way.

Oh the beauty of your majesty,  
on the cross you showed your love for me.

*(Chorus)*

*Beautiful Lord, awesome and mighty,*

*I'm captured by this love I see.*

*Beautiful Lord, tender and holy,*

*your mercy brings me to my knees.*

*It's your mercy that has made me free, beautiful Lord.*

When my sin is all that I can see,  
your grace remains the shelter that I seek.  
And when my weakness is all I can give,  
your gentle Spirit gives me strength again.

Oh the beauty of your majesty,  
on the cross you showed your love for me.

*(Chorus 2x)*

## **His Renewal and Our Hope**

### **COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN**

#### **SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION:** *James 1:19-22*

Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness that God requires. Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.

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## **CALENDAR**

### **TODAY**

8:30 a.m. – WORSHIP SERVICE  
9:45 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship  
10:15 a.m. – Sunday School for all ages  
11:15 a.m. – WORSHIP SERVICE  
12:30 p.m. – Corn Maze & Chili at Fritz Corn Maze

### **THIS WEEK**

Tuesday – Leadership Class, 7:00 p.m. at the church  
Wednesday – Men's Fraternity Study, 6:00-7:30 a.m., at the church  
– Senior High Youth Group, 7:00-9:00 at the church  
– Junior High Youth Group, 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the church

### **LOOKING AHEAD**

Tuesdays – Music practice, 6:30 p.m.  
Wednesdays – Men's Fraternity Study, 6:00-7:30 a.m., at the church  
– Jr. & Sr. High Youth Groups 7:00 p.m. (Sept.-May)  
Weekly – Adult Small Groups (Sept.-May)  
1st Sundays – Diaconal Offering  
1st Tuesdays – Trustee Meeting  
3rd Tuesdays – Elders/Deacons' meeting, 7:00 p.m.  
2nd & 4th Tuesdays – Elizabeth Women, noon, at Jo Anne Ross' home, (Sept.-May)

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Sunday, November 2 – Prime Timers 50+ Potluck, 12:30 at the church  
Tuesday, November 4 – Trustees' Meeting, 6:30 p.m.  
Tuesday, November 4 – Leadership Training Class, 7:00 p.m. at the church  
Wednesday, Nov. 5 – Men's Fraternity Study, 6:00-7:30 a.m. at the church  
Tuesday, November 11 – Elizabeth Women's Group, noon, Jo Anne Ross' home  
Tuesday, November 11 – Leadership Training Class, 7:00 p.m. at the church  
Wednesday, Nov. 12 – Men's Fraternity Study, 6:00-7:30 a.m. at the church  
Thursday, Nov. 13 – Feed the Flathead, 5:30 p.m., Central Christian Church  
Sunday, Nov. 16 – Operation Christmas Shoeboxes Due, see announcements  
Tuesday, Nov. 18 – Elders/Deacon's meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the church  
Sunday, Nov. 23 – Thanks Potluck Dinner, 4 p.m. at the church  
Tuesday, Nov. 25 – Elizabeth Women's Group, noon, Jo Anne Ross' home  
Tuesday, Nov. 25 – Leadership Training Class, 7:00 p.m. at the church

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS (cont.)**

We will be collecting **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES** to bring joy and hope to children in desperate situations around the world. Check out the details about what is needed for a box at [samaritanspurse.org](http://samaritanspurse.org), and pick up box labels in the foyer.

**Boxes need to be returned to the church no later than Sunday, November 16.** Contact the church office for details.

**NEIGHBORS IN NEED:** Neighbors in Need, a local ministry, is running low on the personal care items it gives to those in need. They are collecting toothbrushes, soap, small containers of laundry soap and other small personal care items such as toothpaste and shampoo. Place items in the collection bin in the fellowship hall.

*For Prayer Chain requests or to be added to the prayer chain, please contact the church office at 752-2400 or email to [office@faithcov.com](mailto:office@faithcov.com).*

## **OCTOBER**

DEACON OF THE MONTH ..... Doug Brown  
NURSERY M.O.M. (Mom of the Month) ..... Leah Wiersma  
NURSERY COORDINATOR ..... Darcy Hearn  
*Direct Nursery questions, concerns, praises, etc., to Darcy at 270-8933.*

## **TODAY**

USHERS/GREETERS (8:30 AM) ..... Hills  
USHERS/GREETERS (11:15 AM) ..... Lancasters  
CHILDREN'S CHURCH (11:15 AM service only) ..... Tamie Jentz & Annie Hill  
WORSHIP NURSERY (8:30 AM) ..... Darcy Hearn  
WORSHIP NURSERY (11:15 AM infants) ..... Yvonne Hernandez & Kelly Brown  
WORSHIP NURSERY (11:15 AM toddlers thru 3 yrs.) ..... Neumanns  
FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS ..... Sara Motley & Patti Albert  
COMMUNION PREP ..... Dar Wassink  
COMMUNION CLEAN-UP ..... Theresa Paolini

## **NEXT SUNDAY – NOVEMBER 2**

USHERS/GREETERS (8:30 AM) ..... Hills  
USHERS/GREETERS (11:15 AM) ..... Lancasters  
CHILDREN'S CHURCH (11:15 AM service only) ..... Annalise Pierson & Taryn Iddings  
WORSHIP NURSERY (8:30 AM) ..... Darcy Hearn  
WORSHIP NURSERY (11:15 AM infants) ..... Wendy Putzler  
WORSHIP NURSERY (11:15 AM toddlers thru 3yrs) ..... Cathy Hanson  
FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS ..... Joani Eisentraut & Kate Anderson  
COMMUNION PREP ..... Carolyn Duncan  
COMMUNION CLEAN-UP ..... Mark Rice

**All: Heavenly Father, save me entirely from sin. I am your child and I should bear your image. Enable me to recognize my death unto sin. When it tempts me, may I be deaf to its voice. Deliver me from the invasion as well as the dominion of sin. Grant me to walk as Christ walked, to live in the newness of his life, the life of love, the life of faith, the life of holiness. Forgive and kill these vices, have mercy on my unbelief, on my corrupt and wandering heart.** *(Taken from: The Valley of Vision)*

## **SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN**

**DECLARATION OF GRACE:** *Joel 2:32, 3:16*

And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the LORD has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the LORD calls... The LORD roars from Zion, and utters his voice from Jerusalem, and the heavens and the earth quake. But the LORD is a refuge to his people, a stronghold to the people of Israel.

**\*COMMON CONFESSION OF FAITH:** *The Nicene Creed - Hymnal page 846*

**\*GLORY BE/AGNUS DEI**

Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world;  
Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world;  
have mercy on us (*Alleluia*), have mercy on us (*Alleluia*), have mercy on us.  
*(Repeat)*

*(Chorus)*  
*Glory be to the Father, Amen.*  
*Glory be to the Son, Amen.*  
*Glory be to the Spirit, Amen, Amen.*

Son of God, set me free from all that I own;  
Son of God, capture me and make me your own;  
have mercy on us (*Alleluia*), have mercy on us (*Alleluia*), have mercy on us.  
*(Chorus 2x)*

**CHRISTIAN BAPTISM OF:**

*Joseph Derek Tinkham*

## PRAYER, OFFERTORY & RESPONSE

*Reminder: please sign and pass the Attendance Register down the pew.  
11:15 a.m. Service: Children ages 4-6 are excused for Children's Church  
(held downstairs in the Fellowship Hall)*

**WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN** – Hymn #432, vs. 1, 2, 4

## \*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### **His Word and Our Response**

**Sermon: Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.**

**Sermon Series: David - The Early Years**

**Sermon Title: *The Destruction of a Jealous Eye***

**Sermon Text: 1 Samuel 18:1-16**

*(See pages 6-8 for sermon outline and text)*

## \***BEHOLD OUR GOD**

Who has held the oceans in his hands? Who has numbered every grain of sand?  
Kings and nations tremble at his voice. All creation rises to rejoice.

*(Chorus)*

*Behold our God, seated on his throne. Come let us adore him.  
Behold our King, nothing can compare. Come let us adore him!*

Who has given counsel to the Lord? Who can question any of his words?  
Who can teach the one who knows all things? Who can fathom all his wondrous deeds?

*(Chorus)*

Who has felt the nails upon his hands, bearing all the guilt of sinful man?  
God eternal, humbled by the grave, Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign!

*(Chorus)*

*You will reign forever, you will reign forever! (2x)*  
*(Chorus)*

## 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

\***A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD** – Hymn #92

## \*BENEDICTION

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**LOCAL OR REGIONAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR:** Trinity Church, Bozeman,  
Pastors Jeff Hamling and Bryan Clark

**MISSION PROJECT OR MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR:** Pray for Harold Mills in  
Oaxaca, Mexico. His family recently moved so pray for good housing, more supporters  
and a fruitful ministry in a new area.

**MOVE YOUR CLOCKS BACK REMINDER: Remember to move your clocks back  
one hour for this coming Sunday, Nov. 2, when Daylight Savings Time ends!**

**CORN MAZE FALL FUN DAY TODAY:** Fall fun for everyone at the Fritz Corn Maze!  
Come explore the maze together and have a tailgate picnic lunch with hot chili TODAY,  
after the second service about 12:30 p.m. at the maze. The entry fee will be paid by the  
fellowship committee so just bring your chairs. Meet at the maze on Birch Grove Road  
East off Hwy 2 and one mile south of Glacier Airport - watch for signs!

**PRIME TIMERS 50+ POTLUCK:** If you have 50 or more years of life experience,  
you won't want to miss this potluck event next Sunday, November 2. Bring two dishes of  
your liking and bread, drinks and dessert will be provided. Show up at 12:30 p.m. in the  
Fellowship Hall to share food and a good time with your peers. After the potluck we'll  
have a fun time interacting with each other -- show up to find out how!

**CLARISSE & ANDRY SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERING:** The Sunday School offering  
in the preschoolers through senior high Sunday School classes for Madagascar Christian  
education support of \$100/month will continue through the end of the year. Please help  
your children remember their weekly offering to bless those less fortunate than us.

**LEADERSHIP CLASS:** Leadership Training Class meets Tuesdays, at 7 p.m. in the  
fellowship hall. This class – *Understanding Jesus in the Old Testament* – will meet for  
until Dec. 9.

## GENERAL OFFERING SUMMARY THRU OCTOBER 19:

Targeted Budget = \$ 242,226.92; Offerings received = \$ 243,431.38

**REFUGE SUPPLIES & STORAGE NEEDED:** We are currently creating a storage  
unit of necessary items for our Refuge women and their children. If you have (or know  
of any) excellent quality used (or new!) items such as beds, sofas, chairs, dining sets,  
kitchen supplies, etc, please think of our women before you donate to your usual charity!  
We are also looking for a storage unit or space to store the items, if you have one that is  
available. Contact Penelope Bennett 261-0511, Kelly Brown 249-0210, or Sharon Riley  
261-2132 for details.

**BENEFIT CONCERT:** Bethlehem Lutheran Church (603 South Main, Kalispell) will  
host a concert Friday, Nov. 7, at 7 p.m. to benefit Neighbors in Need. Artists from around  
the valley will be performing on organ, piano, vocal solos, quartets, hand bells and much  
more! An offering will be taken for Neighbors in Need whose goal is to provide vouchers  
for temporary housing, fuel, bus tickets and utility bills to local people who have no other  
resources.

*(Announcements continued on next page)*



*Questions and thoughts for discussion:*

1. Saul's initial fear of David is correct, but for all the wrong reasons. David is both a source of his rage and his comfort. Has your own sin put you in this place in your life?
2. In what way does Saul's jealous eye taint everything around him? What keeps our vision clear regarding other people?
3. Everything that Saul does to harm David, in the end, turns out to benefit David. How does this relate to Romans 8:28? How might you use this to encourage a believer working through tough circumstances?
4. If you are in a position of leadership, how good are you at letting those under you rise above you? Compare Saul's and Jonathan's approach to David regarding this?
5. How does belonging to Jesus change how you view the rising star of another? Where do you need to wage war against your own sinful desires in this area?
6. Consider: *"Envy, jealousy, and blind ambition are all symptoms of a desire to possess that is field by rage...The irony of the these dark desires is they actually destroy what we want."* — Allender Longman,
7. Consider: *"Envy is a resentful desire for what another person has. Jealousy is a desire to protect what we fear another will take away from us. It results in hyper vigilance and hoarding."* — Allender Longman
8. In the end, Saul will be the one alone and isolated from those he loves. How does that serve as a warning to us regarding a jealous or envious heart?

***Faith Covenant Church  
exists to spread a love for God and His glory,  
through the WORD:***

**Worship  
Outreach  
Relationship  
Discipleship**

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*"Serving One Another in Love" Galatians 5:13*

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## SERMON OUTLINE

October 26, 2014

Sermon: Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.

Sermon Series: David - The Early Years

Sermon Title: *The Destruction of a Jealous Eye*

I. Free to rejoice in another's blessing.

II. The bondage of a jealous heart.

## SERMON TEXT

1 Samuel 18:1-16 (ESV)

<sup>1</sup> As soon as he had finished speaking to Saul, the soul of Jonathan was knit to the soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as his own soul. <sup>2</sup> And Saul took him that day and would not let him return to his father's house. <sup>3</sup> Then Jonathan made a covenant with David, because he loved him as his own soul.

<sup>4</sup> And Jonathan stripped himself of the robe that was on him and gave it to David, and his armor, and even his sword and his bow and his belt. <sup>5</sup> And David went out and was successful wherever Saul sent him, so that Saul set him over the men of war. And this was good in the sight of all the people and also in the sight of Saul's servants.

<sup>6</sup> As they were coming home, when David returned from striking down the Philistine, the women came out of all the cities of Israel, singing and dancing, to meet King Saul, with tambourines, with songs of joy, and with musical instruments.

<sup>7</sup> And the women sang to one another as they celebrated, "Saul has struck down his thousands, and David his ten thousands."

<sup>8</sup> And Saul was very angry, and this saying displeased him. He said, "They have ascribed to David ten thousands, and to me they have ascribed thousands, and what more can he have but the kingdom?" <sup>9</sup> And Saul eyed David from that day on.

<sup>10</sup> The next day a harmful spirit from God rushed upon Saul, and he raved within his house while David was playing the lyre, as he did day by day. Saul had his spear in his hand. <sup>11</sup> And Saul hurled the spear, for he thought, "I will pin David to the wall." But David evaded him twice.

<sup>12</sup> Saul was afraid of David because the LORD was with him but had departed from Saul. <sup>13</sup> So Saul removed him from his presence and made him a commander of a thousand. And he went out and came in before the people. <sup>14</sup> And David had success in all his undertakings, for the LORD was with him. <sup>15</sup> And when Saul saw that he had great success, he stood in fearful awe of him.

<sup>16</sup> But all Israel and Judah loved David, for he went out and came in before them.