

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

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*“For the battle is the LORD’s, and he will give you into our hand.”
1 Samuel 17:47*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

His Calling and Our Praise

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** *Jeremiah 31:6-7*

Leader: ‘Arise, and let us go up to Zion, to the LORD our God.’” For thus says the LORD:

All: “Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, ‘O LORD, save your people, the remnant of Israel.’

*(*Indicates when to stand)*

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

***ARISE MY SOUL, ARISE**

Arise, my soul, arise, shake off your guilty fears;
the bleeding sacrifice, on my behalf appears.
Before the throne my surety stands,
before the throne my surety stands,
my name is written on his hands.

(Chorus)

*Arise, arise, arise. Arise, my soul, arise.
Arise, arise, arise. Arise, my soul, arise;
shake off your guilty fears and rise.*

He ever lives above, for me to intercede;
his all redeeming love, his precious blood, to plead;
his blood atoned for every race,
his blood atoned for every race,
and sprinkles now the throne of grace.

(Chorus)

Five bleeding wounds he bears; received on Calvary;
they pour effectual prayers; they strongly plead for me:
“Forgive him, O forgive,” they cry,
“Forgive him, O forgive,” they cry,
“Don’t let that ransomed sinner die!”

(Chorus)

My God is reconciled; his pardoning voice I hear;
he owns me for his child; I can no longer fear.
With confidence I now draw nigh,
with confidence I now draw nigh,
and “Father, Abba, Father!” cry.

(Chorus)

***GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS** – Hymn #32

***PRAYER OF PRAISE**

***TO THEE I COME** – music in pew racks

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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

THIS WEEK

Tuesday – Elders/Deacons’ meeting, 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)

Sunday, October 26 – Corn Maze & Chili, 12:30 p.m. at Fritz Corn Maze
Tuesday, October 28 – Elizabeth Women’s Group, noon, Jo Anne Ross’ home
Tuesday, October 28 – Leadership Training Class, 7:00 p.m. at the church
Wednesday, Oct. 29 – Men’s Fraternity Study, 6:00-7:30 a.m. at the church
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, watch for details
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

LORD'S SUPPER OBSERVANCE

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. The wine is located in the two outer rings and the juice is located in the center ring.

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.

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) Chelcie Miller
 WORSHIP NURSERY (11:15 AM toddlers thru 3 yrs.) Jenae Schmautz
 FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS Nicole Hill & Jeanie Brenneman
 COMMUNION PREP Barbara Makowski
 COMMUNION CLEAN-UP Diane Nugent

NEXT SUNDAY – OCTOBER 26

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) Yvonne Hernandez & Kelly Brown
 WORSHIP NURSERY (11:15 AM toddlers thru 3yrs) Neumanns
 FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS Sara Motley & Patti Albert
 COMMUNION PREP Dar Wassink
 COMMUNION CLEAN-UP Theresa Paolini

His Renewal and Our Hope

COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *Matthew 5:17-19*

Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

Leader: "Blessed are the poor in spirit" —

All: but we have been rich in pride.

Leader: "Blessed are those who mourn" —

All: but we have not known much sorrow for our sin.

Leader: "Blessed are the meek" —

All: but we are a stiff-necked people.

Leader: "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness" —

All: but we are filled to the full with other things.

Leader: "Blessed are the merciful" —

All: but we are harsh and impatient.

Leader: "Blessed are the pure in heart" —

All: but we have impure hearts.

Leader: "Blessed are the peacemakers" —

All: but we have not sought reconciliation.

Leader: "Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness" —

All: but our lives do not challenge the world.

Leader: "Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me" —

All: but we have hardly made it known that we are yours.

Leader: Your Law is holy and your benedictions are perfect, but they are both too great for us.

All: We plead with you to forgive our sins and give us the blessing of your righteousness.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Romans 5:17*

If, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

***JESUS MESSIAH**

He became sin who knew no sin,
that we might become his righteousness.
He humbled himself and carried the cross.
Love so amazing, love so amazing!

(Chorus)

*Jesus Messiah, name above all names;
Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel.
The rescue for sinners, the ransom from heaven,
Jesus Messiah, Lord of all.*

His body the bread, his blood the wine,
broken and poured out all for love.
The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn.
Love so amazing, love so amazing!

(Chorus)

(Bridge)

*All our hope is in you, all our hope is in you.
All the glory to you, God, the Light of the world.*
(Chorus)

Jesus Messiah, Lord of all.

PUBLIC RECEPTION OF MEMBERS: *John & Marty Mullins*

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)*

'TIS SO SWEET TO TRUST IN JESUS – Hymn #679

***PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

His Word and Our Response

Sermon: Pastor Shane Waldron
Sermon Series: David - The Early Years
Sermon Title: Faith Conquers Fear
Sermon Text: 1 Samuel 17
(See pages 6-8 for sermon outline and text)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL OR REGIONAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: Easthaven Baptist Church, Kalispell, Pastor Daniel Lambert

MISSION PROJECT OR MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: Pray for Jim and Jill Hadlock with the Jesus Film Project that their recent work to translate the film for the Malagasy people of Madagascar would bring continued repentance and salvation.

CRU MISSIONARY VISIT: Jim Hadlock with Cru's Jesus Film Project will be at Faith Covenant TODAY, for the adult Sunday School classes (children are welcome at parents' discretion). He will describe how their team translates, records and distributes the Jesus Film in Southern and Eastern Africa.

CORN MAZE FALL FUN DAY: Fall fun for everyone at the Fritz Corn Maze! Come explore the maze together and have a tailgate picnic lunch with hot chili Sunday, Oct. 26, after the second service. Sign up in the foyer so we can plan for lunch. Maze cost will be paid by the fellowship committee so bring cool weather gear and chairs. The maze is on Birch Grove Road East off Hwy 2 and one mile south of Glacier Airport - watch for signs! For more information, contact the church office at (752-2400).

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. You can also place donations in the offering can on the window sill in the foyer or in the service offering with Madagascar designated on your check or envelope.

PRIME TIMERS POTLUCK: There will be a Prime Timers 50+ potluck luncheon in the fellowship hall at 12:30p.m. on Sunday, November 2. If you have 50 or more years of life experience -- we hope to see you there! Bring two potluck dishes of your choice and be ready for a good time!

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 eight weeks.

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.

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, 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.

Questions and thoughts for discussion:

1. What situations in life cause you to feel fear and anxiety?

2. Do you struggle with people pleasing, telling people no, or conflict avoidance? If so, where do you think those fears come from?

3. Read Psalm 46. Which verses speak to you the most as you seek to overcome fear and anxiety, and why?

4. How have you seen God sustain you in the midst of trials and hardships? How does His grace in the past give you faith as you face your fears in the present and future?

5. Read 2 Corinthians 12:9-10. What seems to be Paul's top priority in these verses? If you shared Paul's priorities, how would it impact the way you respond in moments of fear and weakness?

***BY FAITH**

By faith we see the hand of God
in the light of creation's grand design,
in the lives of those who prove his faithfulness,
who walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth
with the pow'r of his promise in their hearts
of a holy city built by God's own hand,
a place where peace and justice reign.

(Chorus)

*We will stand as children of the promise;
we will fix our eyes on him, our soul's reward.
Till the race is finished and the work is done,
we'll walk by faith and not by sight.*

By faith this mountain shall be moved
and the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail,
for we know in Christ all things are possible
for all who call upon his name.

(Chorus)

*Till the race is finished and the work is done,
we'll walk by faith and not by sight.*

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Wine is located in the two outer rings; juice is located in the center ring.
(See FCC Observance on page 10)*

PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION

***ALL THE WAY MY SAVIOR LEADS ME** – Hymn #605

***BENEDICTION**

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

SERMON OUTLINE
October 19, 2014
Sermon: Pastor Shane Waldron
Sermon Series: David - The Early Years
Sermon Title: *Faith Conquers Fear*

I. Fear

II. Faith

A. God is greater than our enemies.

B. God's strength is glorified through our weakness.

SERMON TEXT
1 Samuel 17

² And Saul and the men of Israel were gathered, and encamped in the Valley of Elah, and drew up in line of battle against the Philistines. ³ And the Philistines stood on the mountain on the one side, and Israel stood on the mountain on the other side, with a valley between them. ⁴ And there came out from the camp of the Philistines a champion named Goliath of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span. ⁵ He had a helmet of bronze on his head, and he was armed with a coat of mail, and the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of bronze. ⁶ And he had bronze armor on his legs, and a javelin of bronze slung between his shoulders. ⁷ The shaft of his spear was like a weaver's beam, and his spear's head weighed six hundred shekels of iron. And his shield-bearer went before him. ⁸ He stood and shouted to the ranks of Israel, "Why have you come out to draw up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and are you not servants of Saul? Choose a man for yourselves, and let him come down to me. ⁹ If he is able to fight with me and kill me, then we will be your servants. But if I prevail against him and kill him, then you shall be our servants and serve us." ¹⁰ And the Philistine said, "I defy the ranks of Israel this day. Give me a man, that we may fight together." ¹¹ When Saul and all Israel heard these words of the Philistine, they were dismayed and greatly afraid.