

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

June 21, 2015

*“And he said to her,
‘Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace.’”
Luke 8:48*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** *Luke 1:46-47, Lam. 5:19*

Leader: My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

All: You, O LORD, reign forever; your throne endures to all generations.

Leader: His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.

All: You, O LORD, reign forever; your throne endures to all generations. Blessed is the kingdom of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit now and forever.

*(*Indicates when to stand)*

***BY THY MERCY**

Jesus, Lord of life and glory, bend from heaven thy gracious ear;
While our waiting souls adore thee, friend of helpless sinners, hear:
From the depth of nature's blindness, from the hardening power of sin,
From all malice and unkindness, from the pride that lurks within,

(Chorus)

*By thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord
By thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord, good Lord.*

When temptation sorely presses, in the day of Satan's power,
In our times of deep distresses, in each dark and trying hour.
When the world around is smiling, in the time of wealth and ease,
Earthly joys our hearts beguiling, in the day of health and peace.

(Chorus)

In the weary hours of sickness, in the times of grief and pain,
When we feel our mortal weakness, when all human help is vain.
In the solemn hour of dying, in the awful judgment day,
May our souls, on thee relying, find thee still our Rock and Stay.

(Chorus)

***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)*

***PRAYER OF PRAISE**

***BE STILL, MY SOUL** - Hymn #689

CALENDAR

TODAY

8:30 a.m. – WORSHIP SERVICE
9:45 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship
10:30 a.m. – WORSHIP SERVICE
11:45 a.m. – Father's Day Potluck Lunch

THIS WEEK

Mon.-Friday – Vacation Bible School - The King is Coming! 6-8:15 p.m.

LOOKING AHEAD

Tuesdays	– Music practice, 5:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.
Wednesdays	– 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)

Tuesday, June 30	– Elder/Deacon Meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the church
Tuesday, July 7	– Trustees Meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the church
Thursday, July 9	– Feed the Flathead, 5:30 p.m. at Central Christian Church
Tuesday, July 21	– Elder/Deacon Meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the church
Tuesday, Aug. 4	– Trustees Meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the church
Thursday, Aug. 13	– Feed the Flathead, 5:30 p.m. at Central Christian Church
Tuesday, Aug. 18	– Elder/Deacon Meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the church
Friday-Monday, Sept. 4-7	– FCC Church Camp at Middle Thompson Lake

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.

JUNE

DEACON OF THE MONTH Doug Brown
NURSERY COORDINATOR Darcy Hearn
Direct Nursery questions, concerns, praises, etc., to Darcy at 270-8933.

TODAY

USHERS/GREETERS (8:30 AM) Nick & Hanni Hanson
USHERS/GREETERS (10:30 AM) Tim & Kate Anderson
CHILDREN'S CHURCH (10:30 AM service only) Sharon Salyer
First WORSHIP NURSERY (8:30 AM infants) Motleys
First WORSHIP NURSERY (8:30 AM toddlers thru 3yrs) Hearn
Second WORSHIP NURSERY (10:30 AM infants) Tinkhams
Second WORSHIP NURSERY (10:30 AM toddlers thru 3yrs) C. Hanson/Hernandez
FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS Rik & Audrey Goodell
COMMUNION PREP Fosberys
COMMUNION CLEAN-UP Theresa Paolini

NEXT SUNDAY – JUNE 28

USHERS/GREETERS (8:30 AM) Nick & Hanni Hanson
USHERS/GREETERS (10:30 AM) Tim & Kate Anderson
CHILDREN'S CHURCH (10:30 AM service only) Sharon Salyer
First WORSHIP NURSERY (8:30 AM infants) Hearn
First WORSHIP NURSERY (8:30 AM toddlers thru 3yrs) Bennetts
Second WORSHIP NURSERY (10:30 AM infants) Putzler
Second WORSHIP NURSERY (10:30 AM toddlers thru 3yrs) Salyer
FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS Marlo Lancaster & Glenda Quick
COMMUNION PREP Barb Makowski
COMMUNION CLEAN-UP Diane Nugent

CALL TO CONFESSION

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *Psalm 32: 3-5*

When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy on me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer. Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord."

All: Almighty God, we have sinned against you and we have offended you. And yet, O Lord, as we acknowledge our sins and offenses, so also do we acknowledge you to be a merciful God, a loving Father to all who turn to you. And so we humbly ask of you, for the sake of Christ your Son, to show mercy to us, and forgive us all our offenses. By your Spirit, O God, take possession of our hearts, so that not only the actions of our lives, but also the words of our mouths, and the smallest thoughts of our minds, may be guided and governed by you. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, be all glory and honor, now and forever. Amen. (Adapted from John Knox's liturgy of 1560)

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Psalm 32:1-2*

Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord does not count against them and in whose spirit is no deceit.

*CONFESSION OF CHRIST'S GRACE:

– The Heidelberg Catechism (1563), Question 1

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

All: That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.

Leader: He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

All: Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

***JESUS! WHAT A FRIEND FOR SINNERS! - Hymn #498**

OFFERTORY & RESPONSE

*Reminder: please sign and pass the Attendance Register down the pew.
10:30 a.m. Service: Children ages 4-6 are excused for Children's Church
(held downstairs in the Fellowship Hall)*

YOUR LOVE O LORD

Your love, oh Lord, reaches to the heavens.
Your faithfulness stretches to the sky.
Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains.
Your justice flows like the ocean's tide.

I will lift my voice to worship you, my King.
I will find my strength in the shadow of your wings.
(Repeat all)

Your love, oh Lord, reaches to the heavens.
Your faithfulness stretches to the sky.
Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains.
Your justice flows like the ocean's tide.

SERMON – *By Faith* – Luke 8:40-56

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

*CORNERSTONE

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame but wholly trust in Jesus' name.
(Repeat)

(Chorus)
*Christ alone, Cornerstone;
weak made strong in the Savior's love;
through the storm he is Lord, Lord of all.*

When darkness seems to hide his face, I rest on his unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil;
(Chorus)

When he shall come with trumpet sound, Oh may I then in him be found,
dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne.
(Chorus 2x)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL OR REGIONAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: St. Peter Lutheran Church, Whitefish, Pastor James Maxwell

MISSION PROJECT OR MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: Please prayer for Rob and Karen Taylor, with the Wycliffe Bible Translators, training and assisting Stoney Indian Christians to translate the Bible for the Stoney Nakoda First Nations people, who are located in several reserves along the Rocky Mountain front near Morley and Calgary in southwest Alberta.

FATHER'S DAY LUNCH: Everyone is invited for a potluck lunch TODAY, following the second service. The Fellowship Committee will provide pulled pork and baked chicken. Please bring a salad (last names A-K) or a pie (last names L-Z) to share.

The King is Coming!
Vacation Bible School
June 22-26, 6-8:15 p.m.

You're invited to celebrate the King!
Come to Vacation Bible School and learn about Jesus
and His great sacrifice and promise to all of us!
Children ages 3 to those going into fifth grade are invited
for five evenings of faith building fun!

**Register online at <http://bit.do/faithvbs2015> or fill out a card in the foyer
or contact the church office (752-2400).**

FCC CHURCH CAMP - SAVE THE DATE: Mark your calendar now for FCC Church Camp Labor Day weekend Sept. 4-7, 2015. Plan to celebrate the end of summer with a weekend together with your church family! Watch for details over the summer!

HOPE BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER: Please return your baby bottles in the church foyer as soon as possible to help Hope Pregnancy Ministries during their Baby Bottle Fundraiser! Hope Pregnancy Ministries serves women experiencing unplanned pregnancy by providing free pregnancy testing and ultrasound with options counseling, as well as mentorship and material needs for young moms! Questions? Call 257-5700.

LOST AND FOUND: Please check out the lost and found items on the table in the fellowship hall and pick up anything that belongs to you! Items left too long will be donated to the thrift store.

SUMMER HYMN FESTIVAL: All are invited to a Hymn Festival, Sunday, June 28, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church at 4:00 p.m. with hymns old and new, readings, and anthems from a massed choir. If you want to sing in the choir, come at 2:00 that afternoon for a rehearsal with Paul Gregory and David Klassy. Bring your kids and your friends! A free will offering will be taken for the music fund.

Questions for Reflection and Discussion

- 1. How are Jairus and this woman different, and how are they similar? In what way does Jesus remove the barrier between social insiders and social outsiders?**
- 2. What were some of the benefits of the woman coming forward that she would not have had if she remained anonymous?**
- 3. In v-56, why do you think Jesus did not want this miracle to be broadcasted to everyone?**
- 4. What does it mean to say that faith is the ‘instrument’ of our salvation and not the ‘cause’ of our salvation?**
- 5. Consider: “*It is not faith that saves, but faith in Jesus Christ ... It is not strictly speaking, even faith in Jesus Christ that saves, but Christ that saves through faith.*” — B.B. Warfield**

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

***WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS** - Hymn #252

***BENEDICTION**

CONTACT INFORMATION

“Serving One Another in Love” Galatians 5:13

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SERMON OUTLINE
June 21, 2015
Sermon: Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.
Sermon Title: *By Faith*

I. A Desperate Woman

II. A Desperate Father

SERMON TEXT
Luke 8:40-56 (ESV)

⁴⁰ Now when Jesus returned, the crowd welcomed him, for they were all waiting for him. ⁴¹ And there came a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue. And falling at Jesus' feet, he implored him to come to his house, ⁴² for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying.

As Jesus went, the people pressed around him. ⁴³ And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood for twelve years, and though she had spent all her living on physicians, she could not be healed by anyone. ⁴⁴ She came up behind him and touched the fringe of his garment, and immediately her discharge of blood ceased. ⁴⁵ And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the crowds surround you and are pressing in on you!" ⁴⁶ But Jesus said, "Someone touched me, for I perceive that power has gone out from me." ⁴⁷ And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed. ⁴⁸ And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace."

⁴⁹ While he was still speaking, someone from the ruler's house came and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher any more." ⁵⁰ But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she will be well." ⁵¹ And when he came to the house, he allowed no one to enter with him, except Peter and John and James, and the father and mother of the child. ⁵² And all were weeping and mourning for her, but he said, "Do not weep, for she is not dead but sleeping." ⁵³ And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. ⁵⁴ But taking her by the hand he called, saying, "Child, arise." ⁵⁵ And her spirit returned, and she got up at once. And he directed that something should be given her to eat. ⁵⁶ And her parents were amazed, but he charged them to tell no one what had happened.