

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

September 20, 2015

*“Then the LORD God said,
“It is not good that the man should be alone;
I will make him a helper fit for him.”
Genesis 2:18*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MINISTRY - Men’s Fraternity

***CALL TO WORSHIP: Revelation 5:11-14**

Leader: Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice,

All: Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!

Leader: And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying,

All: To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!

Leader: And the four living creatures said, “Amen!” and the elders fell down and worshiped.

***O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING – Hymn #164 vs. 1, 2, 4, 6**

*(*Indicates when to stand)*

***PRAYER OF PRAISE**

***REVELATION SONG**

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain; holy, holy is he.
Sing a new song to him who sits on heaven's mercy seat.

(Repeat)

(Chorus)

*Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,
who was and is and is to come.*

*With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings;
you are my ev'rything and I will adore you.*

Clothed in rainbows of living color, flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder;
blessing and honor, strength and glory and power be to you, the only wise King.

(Chorus)

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder at the mention of your name.
Jesus, your name is power, breath and living water, such a marv'lous mystery!

(Chorus 2x)

***O THE BLOOD**

O the blood, crimson love, price of life's demand;
Shameful sin placed on him, the hope of ev'ry man.

(Chorus)

*O, the blood of Jesus washes me;
O, the blood of Jesus shed for me;
What a sacrifice that saved my life;
Yes, the blood it is my victory.*

Savior, Son, Holy One, slain so I can live;
O, see the Lamb, the great I Am, who takes away my sin.

(Chorus)

(Bridge)

O, the blood of the Lamb; O, the blood of the Lamb;
What a sacrifice that saved my life; Yes the blood it is my victory.

O, what love, no greater love; Grace, how can it be
that in my sin, yes, even then, he shed his blood for me.

(Chorus)

*What a sacrifice that saved my life;
Yes, the blood, it is my victory.*

CALENDAR

TODAY

8:15 a.m. – WORSHIP SERVICE
9:30 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship
10:00 a.m. – Sunday School
11:00 a.m. – WORSHIP SERVICE

LOOKING AHEAD

Tuesdays – Music practice, 5:30 p.m.
Wednesdays – Men's Fraternity Study, 6-7:30 a.m. (Sept.-April)
– 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, Sept. 22 – Men's Fraternity Year One Begins, 6 a.m. at the church
Tuesday, Sept. 22 – Elizabeth Women, noon, at Jo Anne Ross' home
Saturday, Sept. 26 – Habitat for Humanity Work Day, 8-3 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 2 – Neighbors in Need Chili Lunch, 11-1:30
Tuesday, Oct. 6 – Trustees Meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the church
Thursday, Oct. 8 – Feed the Flathead, 5:30 p.m. at Central Christian Church
Tuesday, Oct. 13 – Elizabeth Women, noon, at Jo Anne Ross' home
Wednesday, Oct. 14 – Year Two Men's Fraternity begins, 6 a.m. at the church
Tuesday, Oct. 20 – Elder/Deacon Meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the church
Tuesday, Oct. 27 – Elizabeth Women, noon, at Jo Anne Ross' home
Thursday, Nov. 12 – Feed the Flathead, 5:30 p.m. at Central Christian 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.

SEPTEMBER VOLUNTEERS

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

TODAY

USHERS/GREETERS (8:15 AM).....John & Marty Mullins
USHERS/GREETERS (11:00 AM).....Scott & Sue Richardson
CHILDREN'S CHURCH (11:00 AM service only).....Dar Wassink & Nilla Swenson
First WORSHIP NURSERY (8:15 AM infants)Hearns
First WORSHIP NURSERY (8:15 AM toddlers thru 3yrs).....Bennetts
Second WORSHIP NURSERY (11:00 AM infants).....Putzler
Second WORSHIP NURSERY (11:00 AM toddlers thru 3yrs).....Salyer
FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS.....Sue Richardson & Sharon Thompson
COMMUNION PREP.....Terry & Judy Fosbery
COMMUNION CLEAN-UPBenni Tulloch

NEXT SUNDAY – SEPTEMBER 27

USHERS/GREETERS (8:15 AM).....John & Marty Mullins
USHERS/GREETERS (11:00 AM).....Scott & Sue Richardson
CHILDREN'S CHURCH (11:00 AM service only).....Tamie Jentz & Annie Hill
First WORSHIP NURSERY (8:15 AM infants)J. Thompsons
First WORSHIP NURSERY (8:15 AM toddlers thru 3yrs).....Hearns
Second WORSHIP NURSERY (11:00 AM infants).....C. Millers
Second WORSHIP NURSERY (11:00 AM toddlers thru 3yrs).....Lancasters
FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS.....Tamie Jentz & Paula Saldamando
COMMUNION PREP.....Eileen Pierson
COMMUNION CLEAN-UPLori Vander Ark

COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *Isaiah 55:6-7*

Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

All: Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, your face is hidden from us because of our sins. Cleanse us, we ask, from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires. We need your righteousness, for all our works are dead apart from you. Grant that we may, in humility and meekness, seek you and draw near to you. Confessing our faults and confiding in your grace, we look to Christ Jesus, your Son and our Lord.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Isaiah 61:10*

I delight greatly in the LORD; my soul rejoices in my God. For he has clothed me with garments of salvation and arrayed me in a robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom adorns his head like a priest, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

***COMMON CONFESSION OF FAITH:**

The Apostles' Creed – Hymnal page 845

***OUR GREAT GOD**

Eternal God, unchanging, mysterious and unknown
Your boundless love unfailing, in grace and mercy shown
Bright seraphim in endless flight around your glorious throne
They raise their voices day and night in praise to you alone.

(Chorus)

Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!

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Lord, we are weak and frail, helpless in the storm
Surround us with your angels, hold us in your arms
Our cold and ruthless enemy, his pleasure is our harm
Rise up, oh Lord, and he will flee before our Sovereign God.

(Chorus)

Let every creature in the sea and every flying bird
Let every mountain, every field and valley of the earth
Let all the moon and all the stars in all the universe
Sing praises to the living God, who rules them by his word

(Chorus x2)

OFFERTORY & RESPONSE

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

THERE IS A LAND OF PURE DELIGHT

There is a land of pure delight, where saints, immortal reign.
Infinite day excludes the night and pleasures banish pain.

(Chorus)

*Could we but climb where Moses stood and view the landscape o'er,
Not Jordan's streams nor death's cold flood should fright us from this shore.*

There everlasting spring abides, and never withering flowers:
Death, like a narrow sea, divides this heavenly land from ours.

(Chorus)

O could we make our doubts remove, those gloomy thoughts that rise,
And see the Canaan that we love with unobscured eyes!

(Chorus 2x)

SERMON – Not Good For Man To Be Alone – Genesis 2

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

***MY JESUS, I LOVE THEE** - Hymn #648

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

***ABIDE WITH ME**

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide.
When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, abide with me.

You on my head, in early youth did smile;
And, though rebellious, and perverse meanwhile,
You did not leave me, as often I left Thee.
On to the end Lord, abide with me.

I need Your presence, every passing hour.
What but Your grace, can foil the tempter's power?
Who, like Yourself, my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, abide with me.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL OR REGIONAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: Great Plains Gathering, Billings PCA Native American church plant, Pastor Josh Charette

MISSION PROJECT OR MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: Please pray for Garrett & Sara Morrison with 100 Fold Studio Architects, YWAM, and for the University of the Nations Campus in Cambodia, Battambang.

LOST AND FOUND: Please check out the lost and found items in the fellowship hall. There are a number of things left from family camp and a bunch of dishes were returned for those who shared meals this summer. Remaining items will be donated to charity.

MEN'S FRATERNITY: Men's Fraternity "The Quest for Authentic Manhood," a 24-week course that helps men (18 and older) understand their masculine identity as defined in scripture will begin Tuesday mornings at the church at 6-7:30 a.m. starting Sept. 22. Sessions include: Season's of a Man's Life, Defining Manhood, Deepening the Marriage Relationship, Raising Sons and Daughters, and Developing a Manhood Plan for Life. *Sign up in the foyer!* For those who have already completed year one of this program, a year two class will start October 14.

HABITAT WORK DAY: Faith Covenant is signed up as a church to help Habitat for Humanity on a building project here in Kalispell on Saturday, Sept. 26, from 7:45 am to 4:00 pm. Those helping need to be at least 15 years old and will be asked to have parents sign a waiver of liability and insurance. If you or your teenagers would like to help, please sign up in the foyer or contact Joe Swenson (871-5273). Lunch is provided.

NEIGHBORS IN NEED CHILI LUNCHEON: Neighbors in Need is holding its annual fall chili luncheon fundraiser Friday, Oct. 2, from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.. Lunch will be served at Northridge Lutheran Church OR delivered to your business/office. Volunteers are needed to help bake pies, delivering food and eat lunch! Sign up in the foyer to help. Contact Sharon Salyer at 212-1758 for information.

HOPE BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN RESULTS: Remember all those baby bottles you took home and filled up for Hope Pregnancy Ministries last June? Sixty-two churches contributed to that campaign for a total of \$49,000, and Faith Covenant collected \$1,043 - way to go! Thank you for supporting Hope Pregnancy Center and Clear Choice Clinic and the cause of life here in the valley.

FCC MINISTRIES & COMMITTEES:

There are many opportunities to serve at Faith Covenant both in the church and out in the community. Contact the following leaders about their ministry:

Children's Church:	Dar Wassink (249-6589)
Feed the Flathead:	Joyce Schmautz (249-6370)
Fellowship:	Donelle Holderbaum (212-9715)
Meals Ministry:	Jenny Heyboer (616-901-7742)
Missions:	Joe Swenson (871-5273)
Nursery:	Darcy Hearn (270-8933)
The Refuge:	Church Office (752-2400)
Small Groups:	Pastor Shane Waldron (752-2400)
Women's Ministry:	Kristin Bay (249-2411)
Senior Youth Group:	Trent Neumann (212-7625)
Junior High Youth Group:	Sean & Lisa Iddings (871-5157)

Questions and thoughts for discussion:

1. Consider: *“The seal of virginity, the procreative purpose, the mystical analogy of marriage to Christ’s espousal of his church, the divinely witnessed vow, the sexual body as a temple, the moral significance of chastity: all that old metaphysical stuff got swept away. And regardless of whether the metaphysics was right or wrong, without it there is simply no reasoning that could possibly outweigh the valid claims of fairness and equality.”* —Joseph Bottum
2. Consider: *“As long as we visualize marriage as the concern of those alone who are being married, as something that happens to them and not to the whole Church, and, therefore, to the world itself, we shall never understand the truly sacramental meaning of marriage.”* —A. Schmemmann
3. Consider: *“Now, presumably, in order to solve the problem of man’s aloneness, God could have made another man or even a community of men. But instead God solved man’s aloneness by creating one other person, a woman — not a man, not a few women, not a community of men and women. Man’s solitude was not a function of his not being with other people; it was a function of his being without a woman.”* —Dennis Prager
4. Consider: *“The destiny of the human creature is to live in God’s world, with God’s other creatures, on God’s terms.”* —Walter Brueggemann
5. Consider: *“Only very determined thoughtlessness could believe what is now common opinion: “what someone does in bed is not the law’s business, so long as no one gets hurt.” On the contrary, what I do in bed is the area of my action in which the community has the most urgent interest, the area for which it must legislate if it is to legislate at all.”* —Robert Jensen

***ABIDE WITH ME, continued**

I fear no foe, with You at hand to bless
Ills have no weight, tears lose their bitterness
Where is your sting death? Where grave your victory?
I triumph still, abide with me.

Hold up your cross Lord, before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.
Heaven’s morning breaks, and earth’s chains are freed;
In life, in death, Lord, abide with me.

***BENEDICTION**

CONTACT INFORMATION

“Serving One Another in Love” Galatians 5:13

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SERMON OUTLINE

September 20, 2015

Sermon: Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.

Sermon Series: Human Sexuality

Sermon Title: *Not Good For Man To Be Alone*

I. Alone

II. United

III. Naked

IV. Restored

SERMON TEXT

Genesis 2:7-8; 15; 18-25 (ESV)

⁷ then the LORD God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature. ⁸ And the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and there he put the man whom he had formed...

¹⁵ The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it...

¹⁸ Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." ¹⁹ Now out of the ground the LORD God had formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰ The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. ²¹ So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²² And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³ Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh;
she shall be called Woman,
because she was taken out of Man."

²⁴ Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. ²⁵ And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

Ephesians: 5:31-32

³¹ "Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." ³² This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church.