

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**LOCAL OR REGIONAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR:** Hope Pregnancy Ministries and Clear Choice Clinic

**MISSION PROJECT OR MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR:** Pray for J & E, PCA missionaries who served Arab refugees for the past two years, and are now part of a pastoral plant team.

**ANNUAL MEETING** will be Wednesday, Jan. 20; a 6:00 p.m. soup supper will precede the meeting at 7:00 p.m.. All members are encouraged to attend but you do not need to be a member to attend. The 2016 budget information is available in the foyer: please take one per family. If you have concerns or questions about the budget, please contact Tom Jentz, our treasurer, to expedite our meeting time on the 20th.

**SOUP SIGNUPS FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING** are available on the table in the foyer. Twelve pots of soup, any kind, are needed, enough to serve 12 (or more) each. Please bring your pot of soup to the church ready to serve by 5:45 p.m. on January 20. *Thank you!*

**HELP NEEDED TO SET UP FOR ANNUAL MEETING.** If you are available and willing to help set up tables and chairs, please be at the church by 5:15 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 20!

**BOTH SR. HIGH AND JR. HIGH YOUTH GROUPS ARE CANCELLED** for the annual meeting. They will resume meeting on January 27.

**FOOD, FUN & FELLOWSHIP DINNERS!** We invite YOU to sign up to have a monthly dinner with 7-9 other individuals from our church family. You will meet once a month, February - April and share a meal with a different group of people each month (couples stay together). A host will be assigned for each month to host in their home (or another location of their choice). *Sign up by January 31 in the foyer!*

**JUST LOOKING CLASS:** Are you new to Faith Covenant? Would you like to learn more about our church and the Presbyterian Church in America denomination? Membership is not required after taking the class but the class is required for membership. Sign up in the foyer. Classes are Sundays after second service starting February 7 for four weeks. Lunch provided.

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**SERVING:** January Deacon - Buford Bennett

### WEEKLY/MONTHLY

#### Today (1st service/2nd service)

Ushers: Jevon & Aaron Clark/Bruce & Benni Tulloch  
Children's Church: Carol Van Duyne & Maria Bay  
Infant Nursery: Uzzi/C. Hanson  
Toddler Nursery: Bennetts/Carlsons  
Fellowship Hosts: Kelly Brown & Glenda Quick  
Communion Prep/Cleanup: Barb Makowski/Mark Rice

#### Next Sunday - January 24th

Ushers: Jevon & Aaron Clark/Bruce & Benni Tulloch  
Children's Church: Carol Van Duyne & Maria Bay  
Infant Nursery: Neumanns/Andersons  
Toddler Nursery: Hearn/Jentz  
Fellowship Hosts: Julie Thompson & Paula Saldamando  
Communion Prep/Cleanup: Amy Bennett/Benni Tulloch

#### **Worship Services**

Sundays 8:15 & 11

#### **Music Practice**

Tuesdays 5:30 pm

#### **Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group**

Wednesdays 7 pm

#### **Trustees**

1st Tuesdays 5:30 pm

#### **Elder/Deacon Meeting**

3rd Tuesdays 7 pm

#### **Elizabeth Women**

2nd & 4th Tuesdays noon

#### **Men's Fraternity**

Tue. & Wed. 6 am

# FAITH COVENANT

C H U R C H

*Spreading A Love for God and His Glory*

*January 17, 2016*

*“I praise you,  
for I am fearfully  
and wonderfully made.”  
Psalm 139:14*

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP: *Psalm 146*

Leader: Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

All: I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Leader: The LORD he upholds the widow and the fatherless, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

All: Blessed is he whose hope is in the LORD his God.

Leader: The Lord who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry.

All: The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the LORD!

### \*O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING - *Hymn #164*

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,  
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace!

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,  
To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy Name.

Jesus, the Name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;  
'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.

He breaks the power of reigning sin, he sets the prisoner free;  
His blood can make the foulest clean, his blood availed for me.

Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb, your loosened tongues employ;  
Ye blind, behold your Savior come, and leap, ye lame, for joy

*\*Indicates when to stand.*

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## \*BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

All my days I will sing this song of gladness,  
give my praise to the fountain of delights;  
for in my helplessness you heard my cry,  
and waves of mercy poured down on my life.

I will trust in the cross of my Redeemer;  
I will sing of the blood that never fails,  
of sins forgiven, of conscience cleansed,  
of death defeated and life without end.

*(Chorus)*

*Beautiful Savior, Wonderful Counselor,  
clothed in majesty, Lord of history,  
you're the Way, the Truth, the Life.  
Star of the Morning, glorious in holiness,  
you're the Risen One, heaven's champion,  
and you reign, you reign over all!*

I long to be where the praise is never ending;  
yearn to dwell where the glory never fades,  
where countless worshipers will share one song,  
and cries of "worthy" will honor the Lamb!

*(Chorus)*

## \*BENEDICTION

### Leaders & Staff

Senior Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.

Associate Pastor Shane Waldron & Pastor of Music Aaron Scott

Staff: Kristin Bay, Hanni Hanson, Carlynn Stahlberg, Kelly Brown

Elders: Grady Bennett, Tom Jentz, Don Olmsted, Matt Riley, Micah Tinkham, Steve Thompson,

Jan Wassink Deacons: Buford Bennett, Ike Eisentraut, Bill Gamble, Micah Hill,

Mike Stahlberg, Bruce Tulloch

To be added to church enews, and prayer lists, please contact us at [office@faithcov.com](mailto:office@faithcov.com).  
For more about Faith Covenant and the Presbyterian Church in America, go to [faithcov.com](http://faithcov.com).

*Our worship is a response to God's initiative. The pattern of our worship reflects the gospel.*

### **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.

### **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.

**God Communes  
with Us**

The Lord strengthens and nourishes our faith through a sacramental meal.

Through Jesus, communion with God has been re-established. 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.

**\*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)*

**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**

**\*ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS NAME**

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' Name! Let angels prostrate fall;  
Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown Him Lord of all!  
Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown Him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, Ye ransomed of the fall,  
Hail Him Who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all!  
Hail Him Who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe, On this terrestrial ball,  
To Him all majesty ascribe, And crown Him Lord of all!  
To Him all majesty ascribe, And crown Him Lord of all!

Oh, that with yonder sacred throng, We at His feet may fall!  
We'll join the everlasting song, And crown Him Lord of all!  
We'll join the everlasting song, And crown Him Lord of all!

**\*PRAYER OF PRAISE**

**\*GUIDE ME O THOU GREAT JEHOVAH**

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land.  
I am weak, but Thou art mighty; hold me with Thy powerful hand.  
*Bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore (2x)*

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing waters flow;  
Let the fiery cloudy pillar; lead me all my journey through.  
*Strong deliverer, be Thou still my strength and shield. (2x)*

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;  
Death of deaths, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side.  
*Songs of praises, I will ever give to Thee (2x)*

*Land me safe on Canaan's side, bid my anxious fears goodbye (4x)*  
*Goodbye*

**COMMON CONFSSION OF SIN**

**SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION:** *Revelation 21:8*

But as for the cowardly, the faithless, the detestable, as for murderers, the sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars, their portion will be in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur, which is the second death.

**All: Holy Father, you see us as we are and know our inmost thoughts.**

**We confess that we are unworthy of your gracious care. We forget that all life comes from you and that to you all life returns.**

**We have not sought to do your will with our whole hearts. We have not lived as grateful children, nor loved as Christ loved us.**

**Forgive us of the great evil of abortion within our country and within our community. Cleanse us from our defilement. Apart from you, we are nothing. Lord, in your mercy, forgive us, heal us, and make us whole. Set us free from our sin and restore us to the joy of your salvation, now and forever. Amen.**

**SILENT CONFSSION OF SIN**

**Sermon Questions for Further Reflection**

1. Reflect on the series of undercover videos released by the Center for Medical Progress, which show that Planned Parenthood profited from the sale of body parts from aborted babies. How did you feel when the videos were released? What did you think of the public response?
2. The public debate about the Planned Parenthood videos focused largely on the legality of selling fetal tissue. Pro-life advocates emphasized that profiting from the sale of fetal tissue was illegal, so the issue centered on if Planned Parenthood was making a profit or merely being reimbursed. What is the difference between a legal issue and a *moral* issue? How would it have affected the public discussion if pro-life supporters had emphasized that unborn children are treasured by God?
3. What has the Church done well in response to abortion?
4. How could the Church do better?
5. How can we best express God's love to women who have had abortions through our actions? Through our words?

**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.

*Life Sunday*  
Pastor Shane Waldron  
*Created with Class*  
Psalm 139:13-16, 23-24 (ESV)

Sermon Outline

I. God Treasures Unborn Children

II. God Treasures the Mothers of Unborn Children

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Ezekiel 11:19-21*

And I will give them one heart, and a new spirit I will put within them. I will remove the heart of stone from their flesh and give them a heart of flesh, that they may walk in my statutes and keep my rules and obey them. And they shall be my people, and I will be their God. But as for those whose heart goes after their detestable things and their abominations, I will bring their deeds upon their own heads, declares the Lord GOD.

**\*DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above ye heav'nly host,  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.

**\*PSALM 23**

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want. He makes me lie in pastures green.  
He leads me by the still, still waters. His goodness restores my soul.

*(Chorus)*

*And I will trust in you alone, and I will trust in you alone;  
for your endless mercy follows me, your goodness will lead me home.*

He guides my ways in righteousness, and he anoints my head with oil;  
and my cup, it overflows with joy, I feast on his pure delights.

*(Chorus)*

And though I walk the darkest path, I will not fear the evil one;  
for you are with me, and your rod and staff are the comfort I need to know.

*(Chorus)*

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 in the Fellowship Hall)*

THERE IS A FOUNTAIN FILLED WITH BLOOD

There is a fountain filled with blood drawn from Immanuel's veins.  
And sinners plunged beneath that flood 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 may I though vile as he, wash all my sins away;  
and there may I though vile as he, wash all my sins away.

Dear dying Lamb thy precious blood shall never lose its power  
'till all the ransomed church of God 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;  
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SERMON SERIES

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Psalm 139:13-16, 23-24 (ESV)

- <sup>13</sup> For you formed my inward parts;  
you knitted me together in my mother's womb.
- <sup>14</sup> I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.  
Wonderful are your works;  
my soul knows it very well.
- <sup>15</sup> My frame was not hidden from you,  
when I was being made in secret,  
intricately woven in the depths of the earth.
- <sup>16</sup> Your eyes saw my unformed substance;  
in your book were written, every one of them,  
the days that were formed for me,  
when as yet there was none of them.
- <sup>23</sup> Search me, O God, and know my heart!  
Try me and know my thoughts!
- <sup>24</sup> And see if there be any grievous way in me,  
and lead me in the way everlasting!

**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.