

FAITH 
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Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

June 5, 2016

*“My flesh and my heart may fail,
but God is the strength of my heart
and my portion forever.”*

Psalm 73:26

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 98**

Leader: Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things! His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

All: The LORD has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

Leader: He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

All: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who dwell in it! Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

Leader: For the LORD comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

***O WORSHIP THE KING**

O worship the King all-glorious above,
O gratefully sing his power and his love:
our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,
pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of his might and sing of his grace,
whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

Your bountiful care, what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

song continued above

**Indicates when to stand.*

**Call to
Worship**
Worship begins
with God who
invites us and
welcomes us
into his pres-
ence. Because
of Christ, we
can approach
God with
boldness even
though we are
sinful and
weak.

O WORSHIP THE KING, *continued

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
in you do we trust, nor find you to fail.
Your mercies, how tender, how firm to the end,
our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

***PRAYER OF PRAISE**

***WONDERFUL, MERCIFUL SAVIOR**

Wonderful, merciful Savior, precious Redeemer and friend.
Who would have thought that a lamb could rescue the souls of men;
Oh, you rescue the souls of men.

Counselor, comforter, keeper; spirit we long to embrace.
You offer hope when our hearts have hopelessly lost the way;
Oh, we hopelessly lost the way.

(Chorus)

*You are the one that we praise. You are the one we adore.
You give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for;
Oh, our hearts always hunger for.*

Almighty, infinite Father faithfully loving your own.
Here in our weakness you find us falling before your throne;
Oh, we're falling before your throne.

(Chorus 2x)

***WEARY OF EARTH, MYSELF AND SIN**

Weary of earth, myself and sin, dear Jesus set me free,
And to Your glory take me in, for there I long to be.

(Chorus)

*Let a poor laborer here below, when from his toil set free;
To rest and peace eternal go; for there I long to be.*

Burdened, dejected and oppressed, ah! Where shall I flee,
But to Your arms for peace and rest? For there I long to be.

(Chorus)

Empty, polluted, dark and vain, is all this world to me;
May I the better world obtain; for there I long to be.

(Chorus 2x)

Weary of earth, myself and sin, dear Jesus set me free.

COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *Rom. 3:20, 23; 6:23*

For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

All: My God and my Creator, I have sinned against you, not only outwardly, but much more with inward blindness, unbelief, doubts, impatience, pride, covetousness, envy, hatred, malice and other sinful affections. I repent of these things, and I am sorry for them, and ask you for mercy, for the sake of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

**Call to
Confession**

We all sin daily,
in thought and
word and deed.

As we come
into God's
presence, we
acknowledge
how we have
rebelled against
our King and
seek his
forgiveness.

DECLARATION OF GRACE: Nahum 1:7

The LORD is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble; he knows those who take refuge in him.

***MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING LESS - Hymn #521**

My hope is built on nothing less, than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name

(Chorus)

*On Christ the solid rock I stand; all other ground is sinking sand
All other ground is sinking sand*

When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.

(Chorus)

His oath, his covenant, his blood, support me in the whelming flood
When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.

(Chorus)

*When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found
Dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne*

(Chorus)

OFFERTORY & RESPONSE

Diaconal Offering today: Please use the Special Offering envelopes located in the pew racks.

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)

Offering

We give back to God a portion of what he has given us to use to declare that he is Lord of all. (This is part of our service as a church family, and visitors should not feel obligated to participate.)

***HOUSE OF GOD, FOREVER (PSALM 23)**

God is my shepherd, I won't be wanting, I won't be wanting
He makes me rest, in fields of green, with quiet streams

Even though I walk, through the valley, of death and dying
I will not fear, cause you are with me, you are with me

Your shepherd's staff comforts me, you are my feast
In the presence of enemies
Surely goodness will follow me, follow me
In the house of God forever
(repeat)

Summer Psalms and Proverbs

Pastor Shane Waldron

Everything I Need to Know I Learned at Faith Covenant Church

Psalm 73 (NIV)

A psalm of Asaph.

- 1 Surely God is good to Israel,
to those who are pure in heart.
- 2 But as for me, my feet had almost slipped;
I had nearly lost my foothold.
- 3 For I envied the arrogant
when I saw the prosperity of the wicked.
- 4 They have no struggles;
their bodies are healthy and strong.
- 5 They are free from the burdens common to man;
they are not plagued by human ills.
- 6 Therefore pride is their necklace;
they clothe themselves with violence.
- 7 From their callous hearts comes iniquity;
the evil conceits of their minds know no limits.
- 8 They scoff, and speak with malice;
in their arrogance they threaten oppression.
- 9 Their mouths lay claim to heaven,
and their tongues take possession of the earth.
- 10 Therefore their people turn to them
and drink up waters in abundance.

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11 They say, "How can God know?
Does the Most High have knowledge?"

12 This is what the wicked are like—
always carefree, they increase in wealth.

13 Surely in vain have I kept my heart pure;
in vain have I washed my hands in innocence.

14 All day long I have been plagued;
I have been punished every morning.

15 If I had said, "I will speak thus,"
I would have betrayed your children.

16 When I tried to understand all this,
it was oppressive to me

17 till I entered the sanctuary of God;
then I understood their final destiny.

18 Surely you place them on slippery ground;
you cast them down to ruin.

19 How suddenly are they destroyed,
completely swept away by terrors!

20 As a dream when one awakes,
so when you arise, O Lord,
you will despise them as fantasies.

21 When my heart was grieved
and my spirit embittered,

22 I was senseless and ignorant;
I was a brute beast before you.

23 Yet I am always with you;
you hold me by my right hand.

24 You guide me with your counsel,
and afterward you will take me into glory.

25 Whom have I in heaven but you?
And earth has nothing I desire besides you.

26 My flesh and my heart may fail,
but God is the strength of my heart
and my portion forever.

27 Those who are far from you will perish;
you destroy all who are unfaithful to you.

28 But as for me, it is good to be near God.
I have made the Sovereign LORD my refuge;
I will tell of all your deeds.

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Sermon Outline

I. Life is really, really hard.

II. God is really, really good.

Sermon Questions For Further Reflection

1. Verses 4-12 describe proud, wicked people who prosper at the expense of others. Have you ever met or experienced such people? If so, how did that experience impact your view of life? Your view of God?
2. Why is it important to trust in God to deliver justice when you are confronted with the kind of people described in vv. 4-12?
3. What other difficulties in life make you question God's goodness?
4. How does an eternal perspective help you to continue trusting in God's goodness, even when life is hard?
5. How does corporate worship minister to you in the midst of adversity?

Sermon

God addresses and speaks to us by the reading and preaching of his Word. Both Christians and non-Christians need to hear the good news of salvation and grow in it.

*OUR GREAT GOD

Eternal God, unchanging, mysterious and unknown
Your boundless love unending, 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)

The Lord's Supper

The gospel is not only heard, but visibly seen as God invites us to commune with him at his table. In the Lord's Supper we remember and experience Jesus' saving work.

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

***ON JORDAN'S STORMY BANKS I STAND**

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand, and cast a wishful eye
to Canaan's fair and happy land, where my possessions lie.

All o'er those wide extended plains shines one eternal day.
There God, the Son forever reigns and scatters night away.

(Chorus)

*I am bound, I am bound,
I am bound for the Promised Land.*

(Repeat)

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath can reach that healthful shore;
sickness, sorrow, pain, and death are felt and feared no more.

(Chorus)

When shall I reach that happy place and be forever blessed?
When shall I see my Father's face, and in his bosom rest?

(Chorus 2x)

***BENEDICTION**

Benediction

Just as worship begins with God's call, it ends with God sending us into the world with his word of grace. We go forth to live and serve by the power of his grace, not our own strength.

Leaders & Staff

Senior Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D. & Associate Pastor Shane Waldron

Staff: Kristin Bay, Hanni Hanson, Carlynn Stahlberg, Kelly Brown, Sara Motley (*Nursery*)

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

Jan Wassink Deacons: Buford Bennett, Ike Eisentraut, Terry Falk, Bill Gamble (*emeritus*),

Micah Hill, Mike Stahlberg, Bruce Tulloch

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL OR REGIONAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: Hope Church, Kalispell,

Pastor Lance Dannic

MISSION PROJECT OR MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: Please pray David & Ulrike Byle in Turkey with the Bible Correspondence Course and Operation Mobilization.

DIACONAL OFFERING: Today we share in worshipping through our diaconal offering for those needing assistance. Please use the Special Offering envelopes in the pew racks.

COLLEGE BIBLE STUDY: Tim and Kate Anderson are hosting Bible study Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. (225 Terrace Road, Kalispell) for college-age/young adults. Come and enjoy dinner and study, and bring a friend! Contact Tim (270-4951) with questions.

JUNE MISSION MEAL: Join us for lunch with Tim and Emily Herset, local directors of Young Life, on Sunday, June 12, after church. Sign up in the foyer if you plan to attend.

LADIES' SUMMER BOOK CLUB: Ladies are invited to book club this summer with our first meeting Wednesday, June 15, at 7 p.m. in the church library to discuss "For Women Only" by Shaunti Feldhahn. For details, contact Kristin in the office (752-2400).

FATHER'S DAY POTLUCK: Join your church family for potluck lunch Sunday, June 19, after second service. The fellowship committee will provide pulled pork and chicken. Please bring a salad (last names A- M) or a pie (last names N- Z) to share.

VBS - THE CASE OF THE HIDDEN HERO! Time to register for a whole new VBS program and join the Scottish Sleuths to solve **The Case of the Hidden Hero ...** the amazing story of God's providential protection of His people! For children ages 3 to starting fifth grade June 20-24 at 6-8 p.m. Register online at faithcov.com or fill out a card in the foyer or contact the church office (752-2400).

STEWARTS' CELEBRATION: Everyone is invited to a 90th birthday/70th anniversary celebration for Vern and Carol Stewart Saturday, June 11, at 2-4 p.m. at Buffalo Hill Terrace, 40 Claremont Road, Kalispell.

SERVING: June Deacon - Terry Falk

WEEKLY/MONTHLY

Today (1st service/2nd service)

Ushers: Russ Hadley & Carolyn Duncan/Nick & Hanni Hanson

Children's Church: Sharon Salyer

Infant Nursery: Motleys/Tinkhams

Toddler Nursery: Joni Jenks/Gina & Sophia Wright

Fellowship Hosts: Sue Richardson & Kelly Brown

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Fenners/Jeanie Brenneman

Next Sunday - June 12th

Ushers: Russ Hadley & Carolyn Duncan/Rick & Audrey Goodell

Children's Church: Sharon Salyer

Infant Nursery: Stahlbergs/Jentzs

Toddler Nursery: Paolinis/Andersons

Fellowship Hosts: Audrey Goodell & Marlo Lancaster

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Fosberys/Hanni Hanson

Summer Worship Services

Sundays 9 & 11 am

Music Practice

Tuesdays 5:30 pm

College Summer Group

Wednesdays 6:30 pm

Trustees

1st Tuesdays 5:30 pm

Elder/Deacon Meeting

3rd Tuesdays 7 pm

Elizabeth Women

2nd & 4th Tuesdays noon