

FAITH 
COVENANT

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Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

February 5, 2017

*“Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children.
And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us,
a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.”
Ephesians 5:1-2*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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.

***CALL TO WORSHIP: 1 Chronicles 16:12-23**

Leader: Remember the wondrous works that the Lord our God has done, his miracles and the judgments he uttered.

All: He is the LORD our God; his judgments are in all the earth.

Leader: Remember his covenant forever, the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations, the covenant that he made with Abraham, his sworn promise to Isaac.

All: Sing to the LORD, all the earth! Tell of his salvation from day to day.

NO OTHER NAME - Choir

***COME CHRISTIANS, JOIN TO SING - Choir (Hymn #302)** *(Congregation Verse 3)*

Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen!
Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!
On heaven's blissful shore, his goodness we'll adore
Singing forevermore, "Alleluia! Amen!"

***PRAYER OF PRAISE**

SCRIPTURE OF PRAISE: *Psalm 36:5-7

All: Your love, LORD, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies. Your righteousness is like the highest mountains, your justice like the great deep ... How priceless is your unfailing love, O God! People take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

***JESUS I COME**

Out of my bondage, sorrow and night, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.

Into thy freedom, gladness and light, Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of my sickness into thy health, Out of my wanting and into thy wealth,

Out of my sin and into thyself, *Jesus, I come to thee.*

Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.

Into the glorious gain of thy cross, Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of earth's sorrows into thy balm, Out of life's storms and into thy calm,

Out of distress into jubilant psalm, *Jesus, I come to thee.*

Out of unrest and arrogant pride, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.

Into thy blessed will to abide, Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of myself to dwell in thy love, Out of despair into raptures above,

Upward forever on wings like a dove, *Jesus, I come to thee.*

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.

Into the joy and light of thy home, Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of the depths of ruin untold, Into the peace of thy sheltering fold,

Ever thy glorious face to behold, *Jesus, I come to thee.*

Jesus, I come to thee.

**Indicates when to stand.*

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COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *Titus 3:1-2*

Remind them to be submissive to rulers and authorities, to be obedient, to be ready for every good work, to speak evil of no one, to avoid quarreling, to be gentle, and to show perfect courtesy toward all people.

All: Holy and righteous Father, I confess that you alone are good. Forgive me, O Lord, for speaking evil against those you have placed in authority over me; while I may have shown outward obedience, my heart has often been in rebellion against them. I have not been ready for every good work, nor have I avoided quarrels, but at times I have even delighted in them. Forgive me for not being gentle and kind. Lord, I was once foolish, disobedient, led astray, a slave to various passions and pleasures, passing my days in malice and envy, hated by others and hating in return; but because of Jesus, I no longer have to live like that. Father, please make me more like him in every way. (*Adapted from Titus 3:1-3*)

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.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Titus 3:4-7*

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

*BLESSED ASSURANCE - Hymn #693

Blessed assurance; Jesus is mine!
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

(Chorus)

*This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.*

Perfect submission, perfect delight,
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

(Chorus)

Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest;
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

(Chorus 2x)

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 Corner Classroom)

ARISE O GOD AND SHINE

Arise, O God, and shine in all Thy saving might,
And prosper each design to spread Thy glorious light;
Let healing streams of mercy flow
that all the earth Thy truth may know.

Bring distant nations near to sing Thy glorious praise;
Let every people hear and learn Thy holy ways.
Reign, mighty God, assert Thy cause,
and govern by Thy righteous laws.

Put forth Thy glorious power, that everyone may see
And earth present her store, in converts born to Thee.
God, our own God, His Church will bless,
And fill the world with righteousness.

To God, the only Wise, the one immortal King,
Let hallelujahs rise, from every living thing;
Let all that breathe, on every coast,
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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.)

Sermon Series: *Ephesians 5 & 6*
Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.
Living with the Light On - Ephesians 5: 1-7 (ESV)

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. ² And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

³ But sexual immorality and all impurity or covetousness must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints. ⁴ Let there be no filthiness nor foolish talk nor crude joking, which are out of place, but instead let there be thanksgiving. ⁵ For you may be sure of this, that everyone who is sexually immoral or impure, or who is covetous (that is, an idolater), has no inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God. ⁶ Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience.

⁷ Therefore do not become partners with them;

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Sermon Outline

I. Putting off Shameful Sins
A. Sexual sins

B. Sins of speech

II. Hellfire and Brimstone—The Modern Disappearance of Judgment

III. Living With the Light On

Sermon Questions for Further Reflection

1. Paul is unfolding what he had just written about putting off the old self and putting on the new self in Jesus. In the last section (4:25-5:2), Paul spoke of what Christians should put on. Here, he speaks of what we should put off. What are the motivations Paul gives for living rightly?
2. We starve a cold and feed a fever. Here Paul tells us to starve lusts and feed praise (v-4b). How does this help?
3. What does Paul mean by becoming partners with those who do such shameful sins (v-7)? Read 1 Cor 10:19-21. Is there an overlap in the understanding of partnership between engaging in pagan sacrifices and engaging in shameful sins with sinners?
4. How would you respond to someone who might say this type of holy living is impossible and is not healthy?
5. There are about 80 references in Paul's letters to judgment. Salvation only makes sense in reference to being saved from something. When some remove God's wrath from the gospel, how does this fundamentally change the message of the gospel?
6. Paul speaks of a lifestyle, of a continued participation in sinful behavior that endangers us. Why?
7. What makes biblical purity so beautiful and wonderful?

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.

***JESUS PAID IT ALL**

I hear the Savoir say, thy strength indeed is small
Child of weakness watch and pray, find in Me thine all in all

(Chorus)

*Jesus paid it all; all to Him I owe
Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow*

Lord now indeed I find, thy power and thine alone
Can change the leper's spots, and melt the heart of stone

(Chorus)

And when before the throne, I stand in Him complete
Jesus died my soul to save, my lips shall still repeat

(Chorus)

*O praise the One who paid my debt
And raised this life up from the dead (3x)*

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 below)

**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.

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.

PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION

*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.

*BENEDICTION

If you are in need of personal prayer, an elder is available up front after the service.

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 Taylor Clark

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

Elders: Tim Anderson Grady Bennett, Tom Jentz, Trent Neumann, Don Olmsted, Matt Riley, Micah Tinkham, Steve Thompson *Deacons:* Terry Falk, Kyle Hanson, Micah Hill, Ryan Petersen, Mike Stahlberg, Bruce Tulloch, Phil Van Duyne

To be added to church enews, and prayer lists, please contact us at office@faithcov.com.
For more about Faith Covenant and the Presbyterian Church in America, go to faithcov.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL OR REGIONAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: St. Herman Orthodox Christian Church, Kalispell, Pastor Daniel Kirk

MISSION PROJECT OR MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: Pray for Jim & Jill Hadlock serving with CRU in Florida on the Jesus Film Project for southern and eastern Africa.

DIACONAL OFFERING: This morning we share in worshipping through our diaconal offering for those needing assistance in our church and community. Please use the Special Offering envelopes located in the pew racks.

JUST LOOKING CLASS: Are you new to Faith Covenant? Would you like to learn more about our church and the PCA denomination? Sign up in the foyer. Classes are Sundays after second service starting February 5 for four weeks. Lunch provided.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES: Many hands make light work ... and a few more hands would help contribute here at Faith Covenant. Please consider helping with ushering, children's church, coffee hour, nursery, fellowship activities, or communion preparation! Sign up in the foyer or contact the office (752-2400) to find out more!

REFUGE KIDS VOLUNTEERS: Refuge Ministries is in a need of a few more volunteers for Refuge Kids. No special training required, just help caring for the children of Refuge clients during their group meeting. Contact the office if interested.

COMMUNITY KITCHEN-FEEDING THE FLATHEAD: Those of you who are volunteering with Feed the Flathead will serve Thursday, Feb. 9, at Central Christian.

CHURCH OF THE CROSS SERVICE: You're invited to visit our PCA church plant in Whitefish for their monthly worship service, **Sunday, Feb. 19**, at 5 p.m. at the Whitefish Foursquare church (233 Kalispell Ave). Childcare available.

SERVING: January Deacon: Bruce Tulloch

WEEKLY/MONTHLY

Today (1st service/2nd service)

Ushers: Nick & Hanni Hanson/Brian & Kristin Bay

Children's Church: Carol Van Duyne & Hannah Buckner

Nursery 8:15 a.m.: J. Thompson

Nursery 11 a.m.: Putzler/Carlson

Fellowship Hosts: Audrey Goodell & Glenda Quick

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Carolyn Duncan/Yvonne Hernandez

Next Sunday - Feb. 12th

Ushers: Volunteers Needed

Children's Church: Tamie Jentz & Annie Hill

Nursery 8:15 a.m.: Streich/Saldamando

Nursery 11 a.m.: Abney/Brown

Fellowship Hosts: Cathy Hanson & Kate Anderson

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Fenners/Benni Tulloch

Worship Services

Sundays 8:15 & 11 am

Sunday School

Sundays 10 pm

Music Practice

Tuesdays 5:30 pm

Trustees

1st Tuesdays 5:30 pm

Elder/Deacon Meeting

3rd Tuesdays 7 pm

Elizabeth Women

2nd & 4th Tuesdays noon

Sr. & Jr. Youth Groups

Wednesdays 7 pm

College/Career Small Group

Wednesdays 7 pm

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