

FAITH COVENANT

C H U R C H

Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

May 26, 2019

*“And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets,
he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures
the things concerning himself.”*

Luke 24:27

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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** *Deuteronomy 32:1-4; Psalm 7:17*

Leader: I will give to the LORD the thanks due to his righteousness,
and I will sing praise to the name of the LORD, the Most
High. For I will proclaim the name of the LORD; ascribe
greatness to our God!

***PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY** - *Hymn #53, vs. 1-2, 4-5*

Praise to the Lord the Almighty, the King of creation
O my soul praise Him for He is thy health and salvation
All ye who hear now to His temple draw near
Join me in glad adoration

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen, how thy desires e'er have been
Granted in what he ordaineth

Praise to the Lord, who with marvelous wisdom hath made thee,
Decked thee with health, and with loving hand guided and stayed thee.
How oft in grief hath not he brought thee relief,
Spreading his wings to o'ershade thee

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before Him
Let the amen sound from His people again
Gladly fore'er we adore Him

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*HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD

The splendor of the King clothed in majesty.
Let all the earth rejoice, let all the earth rejoice.
He wraps himself in light and darkness tries to hide
and trembles at his voice, and trembles at his voice.

(Chorus)

*How great is our God, sing with me.
How great is our God, and all will see
how great, how great is our God.*

Age to age he stands and time is in his hands.
Beginning and the end, beginning and the end;
the Godhead three in one: Father, Spirit, Son.
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb.

(Chorus)

(Bridge 2x)

Name above all names, you are worthy of our praise
and my heart will sing how great is our God.

(Chorus 2x)

*PRAYER OF PRAISE

*SCRIPTURAL CONFESSION: *Isaiah 12:2*

All: Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be
afraid; for the LORD GOD is my strength and my song, and
he has become my salvation.

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.

***COME AS YOU ARE**

Come out of sadness from wherever you've been
Come broken-hearted let rescue begin
Come find your mercy O sinner come kneel
Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal
Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal

(Chorus)

*(So) Lay down your burdens, lay down your shame
All who are broken lift up your face
O wanderer come home, you're not too far
So lay down your hurt, lay down your heart, come as you are*

There's hope for the hopeless, and all those who've strayed
Come sit at the table come taste the grace
There's rest for the weary, rest that endures
Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't cure
Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't cure

(Chorus)

There's joy for the morning O sinner be still
Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal
Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal

(Chorus)

Come as you are, come as you are, come as you are

COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *Psalms 7:11-12*

God is a righteous judge, and a God who feels indignation every day. If a man does not repent, God will whet his sword; he has bent and readied his bow.

All: We confess that we have often grieved your Spirit. We have not heeded your life-giving Word, nor have we spoken the good news of Christ's lordship to our neighbor. We have not lived gloriously as the new temple of the Spirit. Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit and fill us with a great desire to be your faithful people. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Psalms 7:9-10*

Oh, let the evil of the wicked come to an end, and may you establish the righteous- you who test the minds and hearts, O righteous God! My shield is with God, who saves the upright in heart.

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.

***YET NOT I, BUT CHRIST THROUGH ME**

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy my righteousness and freedom
My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to his
Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine
Yet not I but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side the Savior he will stay
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need his power is displayed
To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley he will lead
Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome
Yet not I but through Christ in me

No fate I dread I know I am forgiven
The future sure the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And he was raised to overthrow the grave
To this I hold my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free
Yet not I but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For he has said that he will bring me home
And day by day I know he will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus, all the glory evermore to him
When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me

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 Corner Classroom)

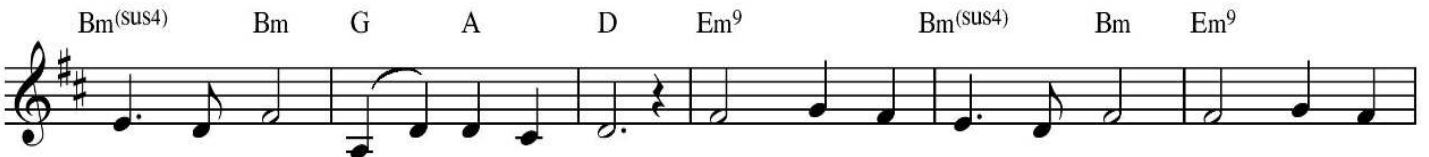
Offering

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.)

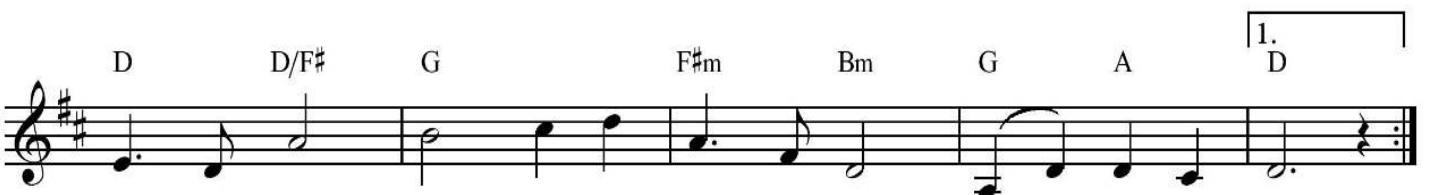
JESUS IS MINE



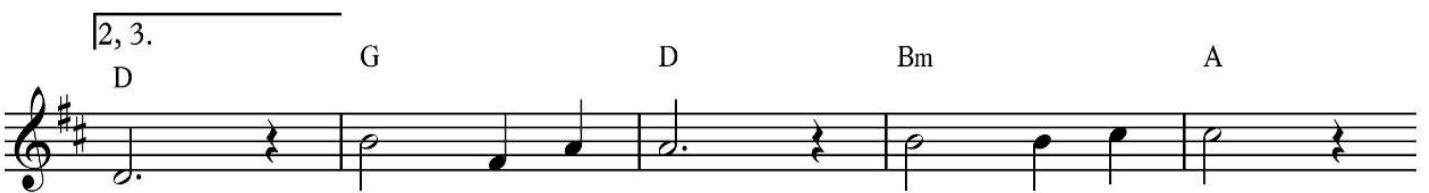
1. Fade, fade, each earth - ly joy; Je - sus is mine. Strong - er than
 2. In days of fra - gile peace, Je - sus is mine. Through tear - ful
 3. When on that fi - nal day, Je - sus is mine; Be - fore his



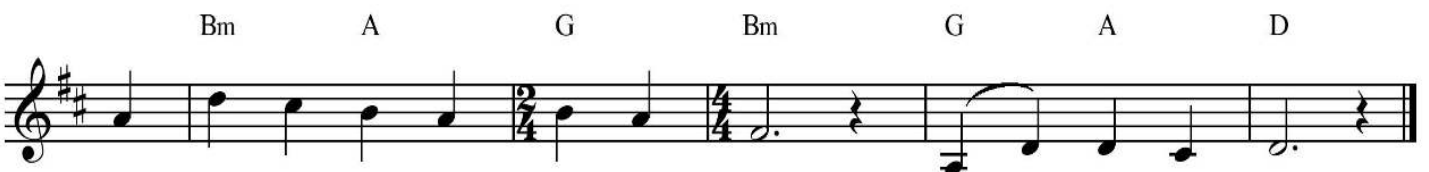
fleet - ing hopes, Je - sus is mine. Dark is the wild - er - ness, Earth has no
 nights of grief, Je - sus is mine. His voice com mands the storm, His pres-ence
 rad - iant face, Je - sus is mine. Safe in his arms I'll cling, Prai - sing my



rest - ing place, Je - sus a - lone can bless; Je - sus is mine.
 stills my soul, He will sus - tain my hope; Je - sus is
 Sa - vior King, For - ev - er - more I'll sing: "Je - sus is



mine.
 mine." Je - sus is mine, Je - sus is mine,



When all else fails, He still re - mains; Je - sus is mine!

Jesus in the Old Testament
Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.
Starting With the Law and the Prophets — Luke 24:25-27 (ESV)

¹⁸ Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?” ¹⁹ And he said to them, “What things?” And they said to him, “Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. ²¹ But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. ²² Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, ²³ and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. ²⁴ Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see.” ²⁵ And he said to them, “O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶ Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?” ²⁷ And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

Sermon Outline

I. Creation

II. Fall

Sermon Outline, *continued*

III. Redemption

Sermon Questions

1. Why do missionaries translate portions of the OT in other languages and not just the NT?
2. What does “covenant” mean and why is it central to the Bible?
3. Consider: “It is possible to know Bible stories, yet miss the Bible story.”—Ed Clowney. What are common interpretive mistakes in understanding the OT that keep us from understanding the OT?
4. To say that Jesus fulfills the promises of God means that we must know what those promises are to begin with. This is more than looking at a few verses; it speaks to the underlying message of the whole Bible. Why has this been so difficult for many today to keep in mind?
5. Seeing the Bible as the unfolding of God’s covenant of grace keeps the main story always before us even when the details might get us sidetracked from time to time. Rather than trying to find Jesus in Rahab’s scarlet rope, or the bronze serpent, we can ask “How does this biblical account fit into the overall story of redemption?” What are challenges for us in doing this?

Children’s Question

How is the Bible all about Jesus?

**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.

**God Communes
with Us**

The Lord
strengthens and
nourishes our
faith through a
sacramental
meal. Through
Jesus, commun-
ion with God
has been
reestablished.
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.

***A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD - Hymn #92**

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
our helper he, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe does seek to work us woe;
his craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate,
on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing,
were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he;
Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same;
and he must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,
we will not fear, for God has willed his truth to triumph through us.
The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
his rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure;
one little word shall fell him.

That Word above all earthly powers no thanks to them abideth;
the Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still;
his kingdom is forever!

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)*

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

*WE ARE NOT OVERCOME

Flesh will fail and bones will break
Thieves will steal, the earth will shake
Night will fall, the light will fade
The Lord will give and take away

(Chorus)

*Because of His great love we are not overcome
Because of His great love we are not overcome*

Put no trust in the earth
In the sod you stand upon
Flowers fade into dust
The Lord will make a place for us
(Chorus)

Offer up your shoes and shirt
Turn your cheek, turn your cheek
Bear the yoke of love and death
The Lord will give all life and breath
(Chorus)

Because of His great love we are not overcome

*BENEDICTION

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

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.

Leaders & Staff

Senior Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.

Staff: Kristin Bay, Hanni Hanson, Carlynn Stahlberg, Kelly Brown, Sara Motley (Nursery)
Elders: Tim Anderson, Grady Bennett (*sabbatical*), Tom Jentz, Trent Neumann, Don Olmsted,
Matt Riley, Micah Tinkham Deacons: Terry Falk, Kyle Hanson, Micah Hill, Ryan Petersen,
Mike Stahlberg, Bruce Tulloch, Phil Van Duyne Music Director: Bekah Marsh

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: Refuge & Turning Point Ministries

MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: Pray for 100 Fold Studios (John & Sam Hudson), a nonprofit architecture firm providing design services and training architects for charitable organizations and projects around the world.

SUMMER SERVICE TIMES: Our worship services times will change Sunday, June 2, to 8:15 and 10 a.m. for the rest of the summer. Sunday School will resume Sept. 8.

COLLEGE/CAREER BIBLE STUDY for college-age/young adults will kickoff Wednesdays, starting May 29, at 6:30 p.m. at the Andersons' (225 Terrace Road, Kalispell). Come and enjoy dinner and a study and bring a friend! Contact Tim (270-4951) or Kate (270-7836) with questions.

FLOURISH FOR WOMEN: Ladies join us once a month over the summer for three short studies on Flourishing in Christ with Bekah Marsh at her home (125 North Haven Dr., Kalispell) on second Wednesdays starting June 12 at 7 p.m. Sign up in the foyer and contact Kristin Bay (249-2411) with questions.

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST: The Wednesday morning men's group is finished for the spring and will not meet over the summer. Watch for start up date in September.

MOMS HELPING MOMS: Come meet FCC moms of all ages for help and encouragement Wednesday, May 29, at 10 a.m. at Cathy Hanson's home (231 Northland Dr., Kalispell). Childcare available. Contact Sharon Salyer with questions (212-1758).

NEW DIRECTORY: All regular attenders of Faith Covenant are invited to be in the church directory. Please fill out the form in the foyer to be included for the first time or to update any of your information. Contact the office with questions.

SPONSOR-A-WREATH: The church is updating the seasonal wreath collection for the sanctuary and adding two new sets of eight wreaths. In order to help with that expense, we are looking for those interested in sponsoring the cost of one wreath for just \$30. Mark your giving "Wreaths" or drop it off in the office.

COMMUNITY KITCHEN-FEEDING THE FLATHEAD: Those of you who are volunteering with Feed the Flathead will serve next on Thursday, June 13, at Central Christian. Contact Dawn Tinkham for details (208-640-6060). New volunteers needed to help prepare the meal!

SERVING: May Deacon - Phil Van Duyne

WEEKLY/MONTHLY

Today (1st service/2nd service)

Ushers: Nick & Hanni Hanson/Jim & Ellen Rowe

Children's Church: Susie Sullivan

Early Nursery: E. Hanson

Late Nursery: Matterns

Fellowship Hosts: Patti Albert & Cathy Hanson

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Eileen Pierson/Jeanie Brenneman

Next Sunday June 2nd

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

Children's Church: Sharon Salyer

Early Nursery: Petersens

Late Nursery: Tinkhams

Fellowship Hosts: Kelly Brown & Cathy Hanson

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Gloria Hanson/Yvonne Hernandez

Worship Services

Sundays 8:15 & 11 am

Sunday School

Sept.-May 10 am

Music Practice

Tuesdays 6 pm

Elder/Deacon Meeting

3rd Tuesdays 7 pm

Youth Groups

Sept.-May Wednesdays 7 pm

Vespers

2nd Sundays 6:30 pm

Elizabeth Women Group

2nd & 4th Tuesdays

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