

FAITH COVENANT

C H U R C H

Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

March 1, 2020

*“The LORD was not willing to destroy the house of David,
because of the covenant that he had made with David,
and since he had promised to give a lamp to him
and to his sons forever.”
2 Chronicles 21:7*

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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 9:9-11**

Leader: The LORD is a refuge for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble. Those who know your name trust in you, for you, LORD, have never forsaken those who seek you. Sing the praises of the LORD, enthroned in Zion; proclaim among the nations what he has done.

***COME CHRISTIANS JOIN TO SING - Hymn #302**

Come, Christians, join to sing, Alleluia! Amen!
Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!
Let all, with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice;
Praise is His gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high; Alleluia! Amen!
Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!
He is our Guide and Friend; to us He'll condescend;
His love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!

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

*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)

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.

**Indicates
when to stand.
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COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *Acts 3:19-20*

Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus.

All: Gracious Father, we confess that we have desired too much for the comforts of the world, that we have loved the gifts more than the Giver. In your mercy, help us to see that we strive after shadows, but that you are the substance. We ask that you would blot out our sins; that you would receive Christ's worthiness for our unworthiness; his righteousness for our dead works, his glory for our shame. We pray in Jesus name. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Acts 4:11-12*

This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.

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.

***CORNERSTONE**

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

(Repeat)

(Chorus)

*Christ alone, Cornerstone;
Weak made strong in the Savior's love;
Through the storm he is Lord, Lord of all.*

When darkness seems to hide his face, I rest on his unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil;

(Chorus)

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

(Chorus 2x)

PUBLIC RECEPTION OF MEMBERS

Maylon & Judy Peters

Dave & Anita Sikkema

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.)

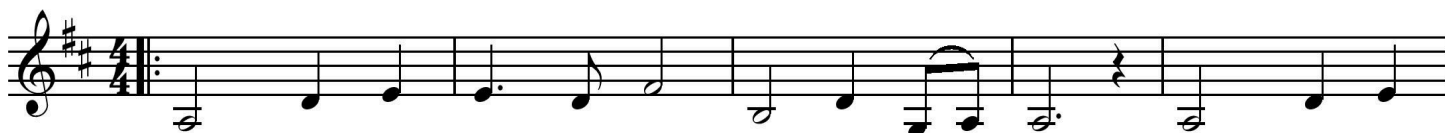
OFFERTORY & RESPONSE

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

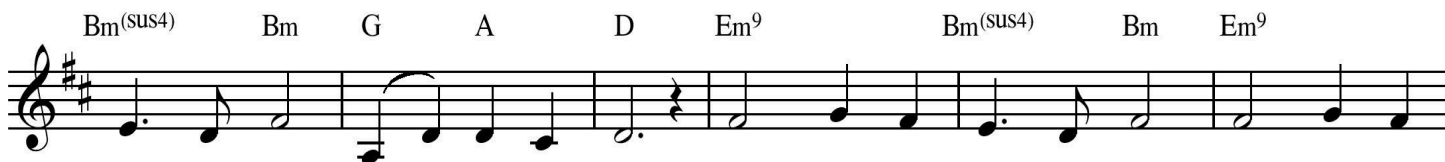
Reminder: please sign and pass the Attendance Register down the pew.

Children ages 4-6 excused for Children's Church both services (downstairs in the Corner Classroom)

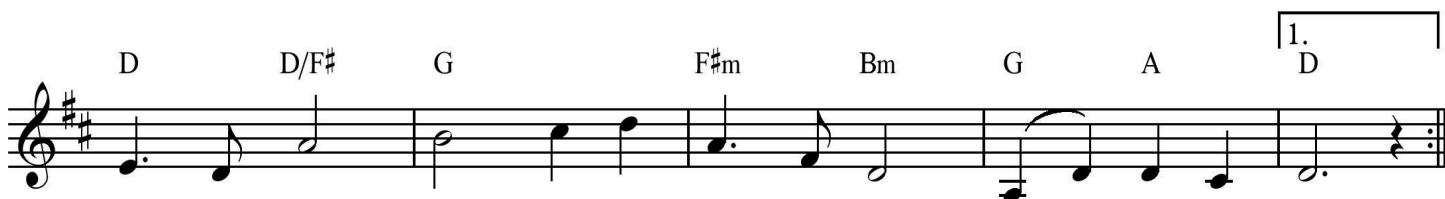
JESUS IS MINE



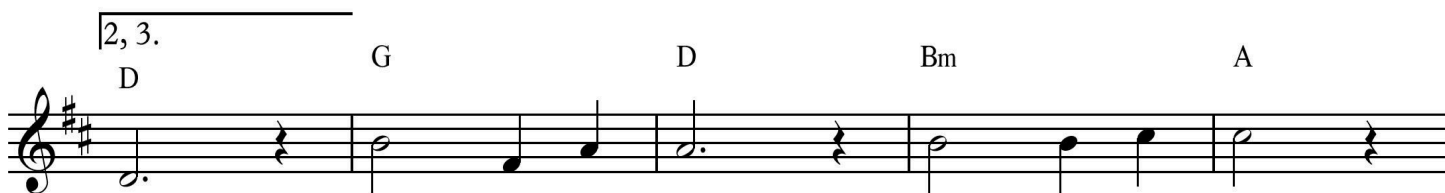
1. Fade, fade, each earth - ly joy; Je - sus is mine. Strong - er than
2. In days of fra - gile peace, Je - sus is mine. Through tear - ful
3. When on that fi - nal day, Je - sus is mine; Be - fore his



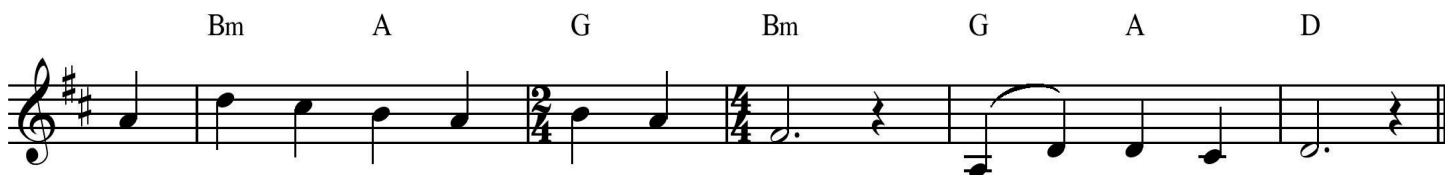
fleet - ing hopes, Je - sus is mine. Dark is the wild - er - ness, Earth has no
nights of grief, Je - sus is mine. His voice com - mands the storm, His pres - ence
rad - iant face, Je - sus is mine. Safe in his arms I'll cling, Prai - sing my



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!

Sermon Series: The Throne of David—2 Chronicles
Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.
When Jerusalem Looks Like Babylon — 2 Chronicles 21-23 (ESV)

2 Chronicles 21:4-7, 11-16

⁴ When Jehoram had ascended the throne of his father and was established, he killed all his brothers with the sword, and also some of the princes of Israel. ⁵ Jehoram was thirty-two years old when he became king, and he reigned eight years in Jerusalem. ⁶ And he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, as the house of Ahab had done, for the daughter of Ahab was his wife. And he did what was evil in the sight of the LORD. ⁷ Yet the LORD was not willing to destroy the house of David, because of the covenant that he had made with David, and since he had promised to give a lamp to him and to his sons forever ...

¹¹ Moreover, he made high places in the hill country of Judah and led the inhabitants of Jerusalem into whoredom and made Judah go astray. ¹² And a letter came to him from Elijah the prophet, saying, “Thus says the LORD, the God of David your father, ‘Because you have not walked in the ways of Jehoshaphat your father, or in the ways of Asa king of Judah,’ ¹³ but have walked in the way of the kings of Israel and have enticed Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem into whoredom, as the house of Ahab led Israel into whoredom, and also you have killed your brothers, of your father’s house, who were better than you, ¹⁴ behold, the LORD will bring a great plague on your people, your children, your wives, and all your possessions, ¹⁵ and you yourself will have a severe sickness with a disease of your bowels, until your bowels come out because of the disease, day by day.”

¹⁶ And the LORD stirred up against Jehoram the anger of the Philistines and of the Arabians who are near the Ethiopians.

Sermon Outline

I. A Flickering Lamp

Sermon Outline, *continued*

II. Rekindled by the Lord

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.

Sermon Questions

1. Who was King Ahab of Israel and why did he have such an influence on the Southern Kingdom? (1 Kings 16:29-22:40). The ministries of Elijah and Elisha are during Ahab's day. It is surprising that so much prophetic effort was spent on such a wasted cause? What might account for this?
2. The great good of Jehoshaphat was quickly undone by his worthless son. Outcomes of faithfulness are nowhere guaranteed by the Lord. How have you struggled with this in your own life?
3. Israel as a theocracy ended with the exile. The coming of Christ ends all earthly theocracies until his second coming. Why is it important to remember this?
4. In 22:7, we see God ordained the downfall of Ahaziah through Jehu. In what ways do we consistently see God ordaining these events and human responsibility woven together?
5. Athaliah is a usurper. She is never considered a queen. How is she a picture of an anti-christ? In what way is Jehoiada the priest a type of Christ?
6. Putting our hopes in any ruler is ultimately a fool's errand. The best are not great, and the worst are awful. Why is this such a temptation for people through all ages? How do we live in anticipation of the kingdom to come while living in various stages of disappointment now?

Children's Question

God keeps his promises even when we don't.

How does His faithfulness encourage you when you are struggling?

**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.

***KING OF KINGS**

In the darkness we were waiting, without hope without light
Till from Heaven You came running, there was mercy in Your eyes
To fulfill the law and prophets, to a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory, to a cradle in the dirt

(Chorus)

*Praise the Father, Praise the Son, Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory, Majesty, Praise forever to the King of Kings*

To reveal the kingdom coming and to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation, You did not despise the cross
For even in Your suffering You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation, Jesus for our sake You died

(Chorus)

And the morning that You rose all of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was moved for good for the Lamb had conquered death
And the dead rose from their tombs and the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come to the Father are restored

And the Church of Christ was born then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this Gospel truth of old shall not kneel shall not faint
By His blood and in His Name in His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ who has resurrected me

(Chorus)

Praise forever to the King of Kings

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

***WE WILL FEAST IN THE HOUSE OF ZION**

(Chorus)

*We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
He has done great things we will say together
We will feast and weep no more*

*We will not be burned by the fire, He is the Lord our God
We are not consumed by the flood
Upheld protected gathered up
(Chorus)*

*In the dark of night before the dawn, my soul be not afraid
For the promised morning oh how long
Oh God of Jacob be my strength
(Chorus)*

*Every vow we've broken and betrayed, You are the faithful one
And from the garden to the grave
Bind us together bring shalom
(Chorus 2x)*

***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 John Sackett

Youth/Refuge Director: Rev. Ben Melli Music Director: Bekah Marsh

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

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: Church at Creston, Pastor Kyle Winter

MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: Jim & Jill Hadlock with the Jesus Film Project, CRU.

MEN'S BREAKFAST starts up again Wednesday, March 4, at 6:30 a.m. Join other men for full breakfast and a devotional with Pastor John.

COLLEGE/CAREER BIBLE STUDY will meet on Wednesday, March 4 (at Andersons'). Come and enjoy dinner and study, and bring a friend! Contact Tim (270-4951) with questions.

MOMS HELPING MOMS: Come meet FCC moms of all ages Wednesday, March 4, at 10 a.m. at Cathy Hanson's home (231 Northland Dr., Kalispell). Childcare available. Contact Sharon Salyer with questions (212-1758).

VESPERS SERVICE: Join us Sunday, March 8, at 6:30 p.m. for vespers, a brief evening service of silence and symbol, prayer and song. Childcare provided.

LADIES - IT'S TIME FOR OUR ANNUAL RETREAT! For ONE DAY ONLY Saturday, Mar. 14, come take time away to study and reflect on our identity in Christ. Join us 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. with three speakers from our church in a beautiful setting (directions on registration). Cost includes a book and brunch, dinner and snacks—just \$25! Sign up in the foyer by March 8.

EASTER CHOIR: Please join our Easter choir! Rehearsals will be DURING SUNDAY SCHOOL in the fellowship hall beginning Sunday, March 15 to April 12. The choir will sing during both services on April 12 (Easter). For ages 13 and up. Sign up in the foyer.

SPRING POTATO POTLUCK: Join us for a potluck Sunday, March 15, after second service. The fellowship committee will provide the baked potatoes – you bring the toppings and dessert! Sign up in the foyer to bring items.

COMMUNITY KITCHEN–FEEDING THE FLATHEAD: Those of you who are volunteering with Feed the Flathead will serve next Thursday, March 12, at Central Christian. Contact Dawn Tinkham for details (208-640-6060).

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: The annual 40 Days for Life prayer vigil to end abortion has started outside All Families Healthcare in Whitefish. Faith Covenant has committed to praying on Friday, March 20. Participants must sign a statement of peace and place in box in the foyer when they sign up for a shift. Questions? Call Ken Miller (250-2383). Sidewalk 101 (details for those participating), parking map and signs are also available in the foyer.

SERVING: March Deacon- Micah Hill

WEEKLY/MONTHLY

Today (1st service/2nd service)

Ushers: Dallas & Leah Beaty/McManus Family

Children's Church: Heyboers/Olmsted

Early Nursery: Hernandez/Rowe

Late Nursery: D. Tinkhams

Fellowship Hosts: Niam Moody & Carlynn Stahlberg

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Gloria Hanson/Yvonne Hernandez

Next Sunday March 8th

Ushers: Dallas & Leah Beaty/McManus Family

Children's Church: Heyboers/Judy Peters & Lori George

Early Nursery: J. Thompson

Late Nursery: Mattern

Fellowship Hosts: Sharon Salyer & Gloria Hanson

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Eileen Pierson/Theresa Paolini

Worship Services

Sundays

8:15 & 11 am

& 6:30 pm

Sunday School

Sept.-May 10 am

Elder/Deacon Meeting

3rd Tuesdays 7 pm

Youth Groups

Sept.-May Wed.

Jr High @ 6 pm

Sr. High @ 7:30 pm

Vespers

2nd Sundays 6:30 pm