

FAITH COVENANT

C H U R C H

Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

May 3, 2020

*“Thus Hezekiah did throughout all Judah,
and he did what was good and right and faithful
before the LORD his God.”
2 Chronicles 30:20*

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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP: 2 Samuel 22:2-4**

Leader: The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold and my refuge, my savior; you save me from violence. I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised, and I am saved from my enemies.

***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

***PRAYER OF PRAISE**

*SING TO JESUS

Come and see, look on this mystery
The Lord of the universe, nailed to a tree
Christ our God, spilling His holy blood
Bowing in anguish, His sacred head

Sing to Jesus, Lord of our shame
Lord of our sinful hearts, He is our great redeemer
Sing to Jesus, honor His name
Sing of His faithfulness, pouring his life out unto death

Come, you weary, and He will give you rest
Come you who mourn, lay on his breast
Christ who died, risen in paradise
Giver of mercy, giver of life

Sing to Jesus, His is the throne
Now and forever, He is the King of Heaven
Sing to Jesus, we are His own
Now and forever, sing for the love, our God has shown

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Call to Worship

Worship begins with God who invites us and welcomes us into his presence. Because of Christ, we can approach God with boldness even though we are sinful and weak.

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COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *1 John 1:5-7*

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

All: My God and Creator, I confess that I have sinned against you, not only outwardly, but much more with inward blindness, unbelief, doubts, impatience, pride, greed, envy, hatred and malice. Lord, I further sin against you, by not deploring enough my sinful affections. I repent of my iniquities, and am sorry for them, and plead your mercy, for the sake of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. (*adapted from the Reformed Liturgy of the Palatinate - 1585*)

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *1 John 1:9*

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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.

*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

OFFERTORY

(Offerings can be mailed to the church office at

611 Third Ave East, Kalispell MT 59901 or given online at faithcov.com)

Diaconal Offering is collected on the first Sunday of the month for those needing assistance in our church and community. Please use the Special Offering envelopes located in the pew racks.

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: The Throne of David—2 Chronicles

Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.

What We Care For, We Cling To — 2 Chronicles 31-32 (ESV)

¹ Now when all this was finished, all Israel who were present went out to the cities of Judah and broke in pieces the pillars and cut down the Asherim and broke down the high places and the altars throughout all Judah and Benjamin, and in Ephraim and Manasseh, until they had destroyed them all ...

² And Hezekiah appointed the divisions of the priests and of the Levites, division by division, each according to his service, the priests and the Levites, for burnt offerings and peace offerings, to minister in the gates of the camp of the LORD and to give thanks and praise ... ⁴ And he commanded the people who lived in Jerusalem to give the portion due to the priests and the Levites, that they might give themselves to the Law of the LORD. ...

²⁰ Thus Hezekiah did throughout all Judah, and he did what was good and right and faithful before the LORD his God. ²¹ And every work that he undertook in the service of the house of God and in accordance with the law and the commandments, seeking his God, he did with all his heart, and prospered.

Sermon Outline

I. Caring for the Lord

II. Clinging to 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. Hezekiah is the third of the 4 reforming kings and he is the greatest after David and Solomon. How is Hezekiah a picture of the Messiah? In what ways does he bring together the twin themes of crown and temple?
2. Consider: “Whatsoever your heart clings to and relies upon, that properly is your God”—Martin Luther. In light of the current chaos surrounding us, what have you noticed people clinging to? And for yourself?
3. The account of Sennacherib and Hezekiah is given in 2 Kings, 2 Chronicles and Isaiah. Why do you think there is so much emphasis on this account? Why do you think Chronicles gives it the least emphasis of the three biblical sources?
4. What we care for, we cling to (Mary clung to Jesus when she saw him at the empty tomb). How has your care for things of God helped you to draw nearer to Him when things are difficult.
5. Check out BibleProject.com for excellent video summaries of all the books of the Bible including 1 & 2 Chronicles.

Children’s Question

*Trusting in the Lord is more than a thought in our head, we can see it in action.
Can you think of ways that Jesus’ trust in his Father could be seen by what he did?*

*I WILL PRAISE HIM STILL

When the morning falls on the farthest hill,
I will sing his name, I will praise him, still.
When the dark trials come and my heart is filled
with the weight of doubt, I will praise him, still.

For the Lord, our God, he is strong to save
from the arms of death from the deepest grave.
And he gave us life in his perfect will;
and by his good grace I will praise him, still.

(Repeat all)

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

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.

*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!

*BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: Faith Free Lutheran Church, Pastor Steve Snipstead

MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: 100 Fold Studio, John & Sam Hudson

VESPERS: Join us Sunday, May 10, at 6:30 p.m. for our monthly Vespers service, a brief evening service of silence and symbol, prayer and song. .

GRADUATION SUNDAY! If you or someone you know is graduating (high school to graduate school) please email the office by May 10 with the graduate's name and college/major/future plans. We will honor our graduates in the bulletin Sunday, May 17.

SERVING: May Deacon— Terry Falk

WEEKLY/MONTHLY

Today

Thank you to all of our faithful volunteers!

The following ministries are not meeting in person until further notice:

Children's Church, Nursery, Fellowship, Sunday School, Turning Point.

The Refuge continues to meet online.

Faith Covenant Church - 611 Third Ave. East, Kalispell, MT 59901 - 406-752-2400 - www.faithcov.com

Worship Services

8, 9:30 & 11 am

Streaming Sundays

11 am & 6:30 pm