

FAITH 
COVENANT

C H U R C H

Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

February 27, 2022

*“For who sees anything different in you?
What do you have that you did not receive? If then you received it,
why do you boast as if you did not receive it?”*

1 Corinthians 4:7

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

***CALL TO WORSHIP: 1 Chronicles 16:34-36**

Leader: Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

All: Save us, O God of our salvation, and gather and deliver us from among the nations, that we may give thanks to your holy name, and glory in your praise.

Leader: Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting!

All: Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting!

***ALL THE POOR AND POWERLESS**

All the poor and powerless
And all the lost and lonely
And all the thieves will come confess
And know that You are holy
And know that You are holy

(Chorus)

*And all will sing out hallelujah
And we will cry out hallelujah*

continued above

ALL THE POOR AND POWERLESS, *continued

All the hearts who are content
And all who feel unworthy
And all who hurt with nothin' left
Will know that You are holy
(Chorus 2x)

Shout it, go on and scream it from the mountains
Go on and tell it to the masses
That He is God (3x)
(Chorus 2x)

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***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.

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***HOW GREAT THOU ART - Hymn #44**

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds thy hands have made
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder
Thy power throughout, the universe displayed

(Chorus)

*Then sings my soul, my savior God to thee
How great thou art, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my savior God to thee
How great thou art, how great thou art!*

When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze

(Chorus)

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin

(Chorus)

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim, my God how great thou art

(Chorus)

COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *Mark 12:30-31*

And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these.

All: God of love, it is your will that we should love you with heart, soul, mind, strength, and our neighbor as ourselves, but we are not sufficient for these things. We confess that our affections continually turn away from you: from purity to lust; from freedom in holiness to slavery in sin; from compassion to indifference; from fullness to emptiness. Have mercy on us. Order our lives by your holy Word, and make your commandments the joy of our hearts. Conform us to the image of your loving Son, Jesus, that we may shine before the world to your glory. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Hebrews 10:19-22*

Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

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.

***O THE DEEP, DEEP LOVE OF JESUS - Hymn # 535**

Oh, the deep, deep love of Jesus, vast, unmeasured, boundless, free!
Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me!
Underneath me, all around me, is the current of thy love -
leading onward, leading homeward, to that glorious rest above!

Oh, the deep, deep love of Jesus - spread his praise from shore to shore!
How he loveth, ever loveth, changeth never, nevermore
How he watches o'er his loved ones, died to call them all his own
How for them he intercedeth, watcheth o'er them from the throne

Oh, the deep, deep love of Jesus, love of every love the best!
'Tis an ocean vast of blessing, 'tis a haven sweet of rest!
Oh, the deep, deep love of Jesus - 'tis heaven of heavens to me;
and it lifts me up to glory, for it lifts me up to thee!

OFFERTORY & RESPONSE

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

Children ages 4-6 excused for Children's Church 8:15 & 11 a.m. services (downstairs Corner Classroom)

FAIREST LORD JESUS - *Hymn #170*

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature
Son of God and Son of man
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor
Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown

Fair are the meadows, fairer are the woodlands
Robed in the blooming garb of spring
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer
Who makes the woeful heart to sing

Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight
And all the twinkling starry host
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels heaven can boast

Beautiful Savior! Lord of all nations
Son of God and Son of Man
Glory and honor, praise, adoration
Now and forevermore be thine

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: 1 Corinthians — Living in the Mess
Pastor Lloyd Pierson
All A Gift — 1 Corinthians 4:1-7 (ESV)

This is how one should regard us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God. ² Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found faithful. ³ But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged by you or by any human court. In fact, I do not even judge myself. ⁴ For I am not aware of anything against myself, but I am not thereby acquitted. It is the Lord who judges me. ⁵ Therefore do not pronounce judgment before the time, before the Lord comes, who will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness and will disclose the purposes of the heart. Then each one will receive his commendation from God.

⁶ I have applied all these things to myself and Apollos for your benefit, brothers, that you may learn by us not to go beyond what is written, that none of you may be puffed up in favor of one against another. ⁷ For who sees anything different in you? What do you have that you did not receive? If then you received it, why do you boast as if you did not receive it?

Sermon Outline

I. A Call to Faithfulness

II. A Call to Humility

Sermon Questions

1. How does Paul correct their problem of being divisive about church leaders in 4:1-7?
2. Some might view verse 3 as an arrogant statement by Paul. What does he say that exonerates him from this charge?
3. What does Paul mean when he says not to go beyond what is written? What are examples of that?
4. In verse 4, how does our conscience fit in with what Paul is talking about here?
5. Consider: “No room is left for taking pride in ourselves, when it is by God’s grace we are what we are.” — Calvin. How is this the very heart of humility?

Children’s Question

What does it mean to be humble? Thinking we are better than others or looking down on them comes from a proud heart. How does God’s gift of grace keep us humble?

**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.

***SPEAK, O LORD**

**God Communes
with Us**

The Lord strengthens and nourishes our faith through a sacramental meal. Through Jesus, communion 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.

Speak O Lord as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy word
Take Your truth plant it deep in us
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak O Lord and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory

Teach us Lord full obedience
Holy reverence true humility
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority
Words of power that can never fail
Let their truth prevail over unbelief

Speak O Lord and renew our minds
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us
Speak O Lord till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory

We observe the Lord's Supper 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. Visiting children who have not been examined by their church's leadership, we ask to refrain. By sharing in the Supper, you are acknowledging to our church that you are in covenant with our Triune God through the person and work of Jesus Christ. If you are in doubt about your participation, please refrain. 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.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Wine is located in the two outer rings; juice is located in the center ring.
(See FCC observance below)*

PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION

8:15 Elder Matt Riley — 11 Pastor

*BECAUSE HE LIVES (AMEN)

I believe in the Son, I believe in the Risen One
I believe I overcome, by the power of His blood

(Chorus)

*Amen, amen, I'm alive, I'm alive because He lives
Amen, amen, let my song join the one that never ends
Because He lives*

I was dead in the grave, I was covered in sin and shame
I heard mercy call my name, He rolled the stone away
(Chorus)

Because He lives I can face tomorrow
Because He lives ev'ry fear is gone
I know He holds my life, my future in His hand
(Chorus 2x)

*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. — Associate Pastor John Sackett

Youth/Refuge Director: Asst. Pastor Ben Melli Music Director/Assistant: Lisa Iddings/Laura Sackett

Staff: Kristin Bay, Hanni Hanson, Carlynn Stahlberg, Kelly Brown

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Mike Stahlberg, Bruce Tulloch, Phil Van Duyne

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: Lakeside Community Chapel, Pastor Eung-Sang Lee

MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: Kevin & Sarah Johnson, currently studying at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School for further ministry in South America

SMALL GROUPS: New groups have been organized and there are still some open spots. Check out the groups, times and dates in the foyer and contact the leader if you would like to join one.

VESPERS SERVICE: Join us for Vespers Sunday, March 13, at 6:30 p.m. Come unplug and recharge with this evening service of prayer and song.

COMMUNITY KITCHEN–FEEDING THE FLATHEAD: Those of you who are volunteering with Feed the Flathead will serve next on Thursday, Mar. 10, at Central Christian. Contact Dawn Tinkham for details (406-471-0656).

ONLINE GIVING: You may give your offerings through the church website at www.faithcov.com. Click on the “launch secure giving” button near the bottom and follow the directions. Contact the office (752-2400) if you have questions.

SERVING: February Deacon – Phil Van Duyne

Today (1st service/2nd service)

Ushers: N. Hansons/Steve Haymond & Samuel Cappel

Children’s Church: H. Hanson/Sharon Salyer

Nursery: K. Brown & Hernandez

Fellowship Hosts: Susan Cox & Susan Sackett

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Carolyn Duncan/Yvonne Hernandez

Next Sunday March 6th

Ushers: Volunteers Needed/Johnsons

Children’s Church: T & T Jentz/Tim Anderson

Nursery: S. Thompson

Fellowship Hosts: Judy Fosbery & Paula Saldamando

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Fenners/Theresa Paolini

WEEKLY/MONTHLY

Sunday Worship Services

8:15 & 11 am, 6:30 pm

Sunday School

Sept.-May 10 am

Elder/Deacon Meeting

3rd Tuesdays 7 pm

Wednesdays

Men’s Breakfast 6:30 am

Women’s Bible Study 9:30, 12:45, 4:30

Jr High Youth @ 5 pm

Sr. High Youth @ 6:30 pm

Career Group 7 pm

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