

# FAITH COVENANT

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*Spreading A Love for God and His Glory*

*March 20, 2022*

*“To have lawsuits at all with one another is already a defeat for you.  
Why not rather suffer wrong? Why not rather be defrauded?”  
1 Corinthians 6:7*



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

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 24:7-10**

Leader: Lift up your heads, O gates! Be lifted up, O ancient doors,  
that the King of glory may come in.

All: **Who is this King of glory?**

Leader: The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!  
Lift up your heads, O gates! Lift them up, O ancient doors,  
that the King of glory may come in.

All: **Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is  
the King of glory!**



**\*THE KING OF LOVE MY SHEPHERD IS**

The King of Love my Shepherd is  
Whose goodness faileth never, I nothing lack if I am His  
And He is mine forever

Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul He leadeth  
And where the verdant pastures grow with food celestial feedeth

*(Chorus)*

*Never failing, Ruler of my heart, everlasting, Lover of my soul  
On the mountain high or in the valley low  
The King of Love my Shepherd is, the King of Love my Shepherd is*

Lost and foolish off I strayed, but yet in love He sought me  
And on His shoulder gently laid, and home rejoicing brought me

In death's dark veil I fear no ill, with Thee, dear Lord, beside me  
Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me

*(Chorus)*

*Oh, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Oh, Hallelujah, Hallelujah (2x)  
(Chorus 2x)*

And so through all the length of days, Thy goodness faileth never  
Good Shepherd, may I sing Your praise  
Within Your house forever, within Your house forever

**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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## **\*PRAYER OF PRAISE**

### **\*COME THOU ALMIGHTY KING - Hymn #101**

Come, thou Almighty King, help us thy name to sing  
Help us to praise: Father, all glorious, O'er all victorious  
Come, and reign over us, Ancient of days

Come, thou Incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword  
Our prayer attend: come and thy people bless and give thy Word success  
Spirit of holiness, on us descend

Come, Holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear  
In this glad hour: Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart  
And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power

To the great One in Three eternal praises be, hence evermore  
His sovereign majesty may we in glory see  
And to eternity love and adore

## **COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN**

### **SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: 1 Corinthians 10:13**

No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.



## FORGIVEN

Lord, forgive us for our pride when our faith becomes a show  
Dressed in righteous deeds to hide all the stains below  
We have judged Your sons and daughters for the sin that is our own  
May we now forgive each other and lay down our stones

Lord, forgive us for our love of the things we wish to own  
We forsake the feast above for all the crumbs below  
Though You've made us sons and daughters we do not the world disown  
May we find our greatest treasure is in You alone

## SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

### DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Psalm 25:6-7*

Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love, for they  
have been from of old. Remember not the sins of my youth or my  
transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for  
the sake of your goodness, O LORD!

## FORGIVEN

*(Chorus x2)*  
*Forgiven, forgiven*  
*Through the blood of Christ, we are forgiven*

## 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.



**\*THERE IS A FOUNTAIN FILLED WITH BLOOD - Hymn #253 vs 1-2, 5, 3**

There is a fountain filled with blood, drawn from Immanuel's veins;  
and sinners, plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains:  
lose all their guilty stains, lose all their guilty stains;  
and sinners, plunged beneath that flood,  
lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see that fountain in his day;  
and there have I, as vile as he, washed all my sins away:  
washed all my sins away, washed all my sins away;  
and there have I, as vile as he,  
washed all my sins away.

Dear dying Lamb, your precious blood shall never lose its pow'r,  
till all the ransomed church of God be saved, to sin no more:  
be saved, to sin no more, be saved, to sin no more;  
till all the ransomed church of God  
be saved to sin no more.

E'er since by faith I saw the stream your flowing wounds supply,  
redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die:  
and shall be till I die, and shall be till I die;  
redeeming love has been my theme,  
and shall be till I die.

**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)*



**\*I WILL WAIT FOR YOU (PSALM 130)**

Lord, from the depths I call to You  
Lord, hear me from on high  
And give attention to my voice  
When I for mercy cry

Out of the depths I cry to You  
In darkest places I will call  
Incline Your ear to me anew  
And hear my cry for mercy, Lord

Were You to count my sinful ways  
How could I come before Your throne  
Yet full forgiveness meets my gaze  
I stand redeemed by grace alone

*(Chorus)*

*I will wait for You, I will wait for You  
On Your word, I will rely  
I will wait for You, surely wait for You  
Till my soul is satisfied*

So put your hope in God alone  
Take courage in His power to save  
Completely and forever won  
By Christ emerging from the grave

*(Chorus)*

Now He has come to make a way  
And God Himself has paid the price  
*That all who trust in Him today find healing in His sacrifice*

*I will wait for You, I will wait for You  
Through the storm and through the night  
I will wait for You, surely wait for You  
For Your love is my delight (2x)*

**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, Ph.D.

*Dealing With Disputes — 1 Corinthians 6:1-8 (ESV)*

<sup>1</sup> When one of you has a grievance against another, does he dare go to law before the unrighteous instead of the saints? <sup>2</sup> Or do you not know that the saints will judge the world? And if the world is to be judged by you, are you incompetent to try trivial cases? <sup>3</sup> Do you not know that we are to judge angels? How much more, then, matters pertaining to this life! <sup>4</sup> So if you have such cases, why do you lay them before those who have no standing in the church? <sup>5</sup> I say this to your shame. Can it be that there is no one among you wise enough to settle a dispute between the brothers, <sup>6</sup> but brother goes to law against brother, and that before unbelievers? <sup>7</sup> To have lawsuits at all with one another is already a defeat for you. Why not rather suffer wrong? Why not rather be defrauded? <sup>8</sup> But you yourselves wrong and defraud—even your own brothers!

**Sermon Outline**

I. A New Way of Doing Business

II. A New Way of Receiving Wrongs



### Sermon Questions

1. The Corinthians are called upon to an entire new way of doing business because they are now a new community in Christ. What areas are we called upon to express this new community which cuts against our culture?
2. Judging the angels and the world are difficult to fully understand here. It is hard to know if Paul is quoting back some of their phrases or if he is highlighting a Christian teaching. What is Paul's main point either way?
3. Criminal cases and civil cases are to be handled differently by Christians. What are examples of where the church is to hand over judgment to the governing authorities?
4. Why is the reputation of the church important to maintain in any society? We do not hide sins in order to maintain reputation. How does being a safe place for sinners but not a safe place for sin give us a good way forward?
5. A new identity in Christ should bring new behaviors. How might you respond to someone who thinks this is too idealistic? What does it mean to speak of "floor" and "ceiling" ethics?

### Children's Question

*When someone wrongs us, we are mad and upset. How does Jesus instruct us to deal with our hearts when we don't like being wronged?*

**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.

**\*ALL FOR JESUS**

All for Jesus, all for Jesus! All my being's ransomed pow'rs:  
All my thoughts and words and doings, all my days and all my hours.  
Let my hands perform His bidding, let my feet run in His ways;  
Let my eyes see Jesus only, let my lips speak forth His praise.

*(Chorus)*

*Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him! How I've proved Him o'er and o'er  
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust Him more!*

Worldlings prize their gems of beauty, cling to gilded toys of dust,  
Boast of wealth and fame and pleasure; only Jesus will I trust.  
Since my eyes were fixed on Jesus, I've lost sight of all beside;  
So enchained my spirit's vision, looking at the Crucified.

*(Chorus)*

Oh, what wonder! How amazing! Jesus, glorious King of kings,  
Deigns to call me His beloved, lets me rest beneath His wings.

*(Chorus)*

*O for grace to trust Him more!*

**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*

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.



## \*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. — Associate Pastor John Sackett

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

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**LOCAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR:** Neighbors in Need, Kalispell

**MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR:** Jim & Jill Hadlock with CRU Jesus Film Project

**SUNDAY SCHOOL BREAK:** There will be no Sunday School TODAY for the school spring break. The next Sunday School class for adults, "Spiritual Formation by the Means of Grace," will begin March 27 in the sanctuary.

**EASTER LILIES CAN BE PURCHASED** in honor or memory of your loved ones.

Dedications will be printed in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Forms are available on the table in the foyer to fill out and leave in the box provided or return to the church office along with \$10.00 (per lily), no later than Sunday, April 10.

**EASTER SERVICES:** Please join us for GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES, April 15, at 6 or 8 p.m. On EASTER SUNDAY, April 17, there will be three services at 8:15, 9:30 and 11 a.m. Faith Covenant Deacons will cook and serve breakfast between 9 and 11 a.m. There will be no Sunday School classes that day.

**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 for the day on Monday, April 4. 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), maps and signs are also available in the foyer.

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**SERVING:** March Deacon – Ryan Petersen

**Today (1st service/2nd service)**

Ushers: N. Hanson/von Olhausen

Children's Church: Jentz/Tinkham

Nursery: Gina Wright

Fellowship Hosts: Eileen Pierson & Dawn McGarvey

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Eileen Pierson/Arlene Tinkham

**Next Sunday March 27**

Ushers: N. Hanson/von Olhausen

Children's Church: Jentz/Tinkham

Nursery: D. Tinkham

Fellowship Hosts: Kim von Olhausen & Sue Richardson

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Traci Carroll/Gloria Johnson

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**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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