

Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

March 13, 2022

"Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened.

For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed."

1 Corinthians 5:7

#### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

\*CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 18

Leader: I love you, O LORD, my strength. 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. I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised.

All: For who is God, but the LORD? And who is a rock, except our God?

Leader: The LORD lives, and blessed be my rock, and exalted be the God of my salvation.

All: I will praise you, O LORD, among the nations, and sing to your name.

\*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

\*SCRIPTURE OF PRAISE: Psalm 36:5-7

All: Your love, LORD, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies. Your righteousness is like the highest mountains, your justice like the great deep ... How priceless is your unfailing love, O God!

#### **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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#### \*THOU LOVELY SOURCE OF TRUE DELIGHT

Thou lovely source of true delight whom I unseen adore; unveil thy beauties to my sight that I might love thee more, Oh that I might love thee more.

Thy glory o'er creation shines but in thy sacred word I read, in fairer, brighter lines, my bleeding dying Lord, see my bleeding, dying Lord.

'Tis here, whene'er my comforts droop and sin and sorrow rise, thy love with cheering beams of hope my fainting heart supplies, Oh, my fainting heart's supplied.

But ah! too soon the pleasing scene is clouded o'er with pain. My gloomy fears rise dark between and I again complain, Oh, and I again complain.

Jesus, my Lord, my life, my light, Oh come with blissful ray; break radiant through the shades of night and chase my fears away, won't you chase my fears away.

Then shall my soul with rapture trace the wonders of thy love; but the full glories of thy face are only known above, they are only known above.

#### COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: Psalm 51:5-6, 16-17

Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me. Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being, and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart ... For you will not delight in sacrifice, or I would give it; you will not be pleased with a burnt offering. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

All: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, and you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. (*Psalm 51:1-4, 10*)

#### SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

## DECLARATION OF GRACE: Psalm 23:1-4

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

#### 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.

## \*HOUSE OF GOD FOREVER (PSALM 23)

God is my shepherd, I won't be wanting, I won't be wanting He makes me rest, in fields of green, with quiet streams

Even though I walk, through the valley, of death and dying I will not fear, cause you are with me, you are with me

Your shepherd's staff comforts me, you are my feast
In the presence of enemies
Surely goodness will follow me, follow me
In the house of God forever
(Repeat All)

## **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)

#### GOOD AND GRACIOUS KING

I approach the throne of glory nothing in my hands I bring But the promise of acceptance from a good and gracious King

I will give to You my burden as You give to me Your strength Come and fill me with Your Spirit as I sing to You this praise

(Chorus)

You deserve the greater glory, overcome I lift my voice To the King in need of nothing, empty handed I rejoice You deserve the greater glory, overcome with joy I sing By Your love I am accepted, You're a good and gracious King

O what grace that You would see me as Your child and as Your friend Safe secure in You forever I pour out my praise again (Chorus)

(Bridge 2x)
Holy holy Lord Almighty
Good and gracious, good and gracious
Holy holy Lord Almighty
Good and gracious King
(Chorus)

#### 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: I Corinthians — Living in the Mess Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D. Discipline in the Church — I Corinthians 5:1-13 (ESV)

<sup>1</sup> It is actually reported that there is sexual immorality among you, and of a kind that is not tolerated even among pagans, for a man has his father's wife. <sup>2</sup> And you are arrogant! Ought you not rather to mourn? Let him who has done this be removed from among you.

For though absent in body, I am present in spirit; and as if present, I have already pronounced judgment on the one who did such a thing. <sup>4</sup> When you are assembled in the name of the Lord Jesus and my spirit is present, with the power of our Lord Jesus, <sup>5</sup> you are to deliver this man to Satan for the destruction of the flesh, so that his spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord.

Your boasting is not good. Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump? Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. Let us therefore celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the

unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

<sup>9</sup> I wrote to you in my letter not to associate with sexually immoral people—<sup>10</sup> not at all meaning the sexually immoral of this world, or the greedy and swindlers, or idolaters, since then you would need to go out of the world. <sup>11</sup> But now I am writing to you not to associate with anyone who bears the name of brother if he is guilty of sexual immorality or greed, or is an idolater, reviler, drunkard, or swindler—not even to eat with such a one. <sup>12</sup> For what have I to do with judging outsiders? Is it not those inside the church whom you are to judge? <sup>13</sup> God judges those outside. "Purge the evil person from among you."

## Sermon Outline

## I. When to Exclude

continued above

## II. What to Embrace

## 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.

## **Sermon Questions**

- 1. Paul expresses the removal of this sinful church member in six different ways. Why is he is adamant about this?
- 2. In Deuteronomy, people were excluded for violations of covenant, community, and holiness. How does this fit with this case here? What does Paul's use of the OT tell us about Scripture and the new covenant?
- 3. What is the role of leadership in church discipline? What is the role of church members in church discipline?
- 4. How might you respond to someone who thinks church discipline is graceless and is judging others?

## Children's Question

Who are people that you would like to be like because of their love for Jesus? How can you encourage others in following the Lord?

## \*MARVELOUS GRACE OF OUR LOVING LORD - Hymn #465

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord, Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt! Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured, There where the blood of the Lamb was spilled.

# 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.

## (Chorus)

Grace, grace, God's grace Grace that will pardon and cleanse within Grace, grace, God's grace Grace that is greater than all our sin!

Sin and despair, like the sea waves cold, Threaten the soul with infinite loss; Grace that is greater, yes, grace untold, Points to the refuge, the mighty cross. (Chorus)

Dark is the stain that we cannot hide What can avail to wash it away Look! there is a flowing crimson tide Whiter than snow you may be today (Chorus)

#### 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)

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.

#### PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION

8:15 Elder Trent Neumann — 11 Elder Tim Anderson

## \*AMAZING GRACE (MY CHAINS ARE GONE)

Amazing grace how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me. I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved. How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

## (Chorus)

My chains are gone, I've been set free, my God, my Savior has ransomed me. And like a flood his mercy reigns, unending love, amazing grace.

The Lord has promised good to me; his word my hope secures. He will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures. (Chorus 2x)

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow; the sun forbear to shine. But God, who called me here below, will be forever mine, will be forever mine. You are forever mine.

#### \*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

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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 MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: Mountain View Mennonite Church, Creston, Pastor Jeryl Hollinger

MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: Jim & Jill Hadlock with CRU Jesus Film Project VESPERS SERVICE: Join us for Vespers TONIGHT at 6:30 p.m. Come unplug and recharge with this evening service of prayer and song.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BREAK: There will be no Sunday School on March 20 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.

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.

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:** March Deacon – Ryan Petersen

Today (1st service/2nd service)

Ushers: Peters/Johnsons

Children's Church: Ingrams/Tim Anderson

Nursery: Falks

Fellowship Hosts: Judy Fosbery & Paula Saldamando Communion Prep/Cleanup: Fosberys/Benni Tulloch

**Next Sunday March 20** 

Ushers: N. Hanson/von Olhausen Children's Church: Jentz/Fishers

Nursery: Wrights

Fellowship Hosts: Eileen Pierson & Dawn McGarvey Communion Prep/Cleanup: Eileen Pierson/Arline Tinkham 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