

FAITH COVENANT

C H U R C H

Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

October 9, 2022

*“Love does not envy.”
1 Corinthians 13:4b*

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.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP: *Psalm 118:1-4*

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

All: Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

Leader: Let the house of Aaron say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

All: Let those who fear the LORD say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

*PRAISE THE FATHER, PRAISE THE SON

O Sov'reign God, O matchless King, the saints adore, the angels sing, and fall before the throne of grace; to you belong the highest praise.

These sufferings, this passing tide, under your wings I will abide,
and ev'ry enemy shall flee; you are my hope and victory.

(Chorus)

*Praise the Father, praise the Son, praise the Spirit, three in one;
clothed in power and in grace, the name above all other names.*

To the valley, for my soul; thy great descent has made me whole!
Your word my heart has welcomed home; now peace like water ever
flows.

(Chorus 2x)

(Bridge 2x)

Yours is the kingdom, yours is the power, yours is the glory forever!
(Chorus)

the name above all other names.

*Indicates

when to stand.

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*PRAYER OF PRAISE

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

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 Thee, great One in Three,
Eternal praises be
Hence evermore.
Thy sov'reign majesty
May we in glory see,
And to eternity
Love and adore.

**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, confes-
sions of faith,
and the offering
we are sanctified
for service to our
Lord to joyfully
offer up our lives
to him.

COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *Galatians 3:10-11*

For all who rely on works of the law are under a curse; for it is written, “Cursed be everyone who does not abide by all things written in the Book of the Law, and do them.” Now it is evident that no one is justified before God by the law, for “The righteous shall live by faith.”

All: O Lord, how can we stand before you with our num-
bered and aggravated offenses?

Leader: We have taken your grace for granted; it has failed to stun us today. We have arrogantly believed that we deserve your grace and thus have mocked your gospel.

All: We have run after vain idols and thus forsaken your sufficiency.

Leader: We have not loved your church that you bought with your own blood.

All: Forgive us, Lord. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not interceded for the world around us.

Leader: We have failed to be your priests and we have broken your covenant. Lord, it is only because of your compassions through Jesus Christ that we are not consumed.

All: Lead us to repentance and save us from despair.

Leader: Lord, we have no excuse, but we do have Jesus who has become sin for us so that, in him, we might become the righteousness of God.

All: Help us believe the gospel for your glory.

(Prayer of Confession from the 31st General Assembly of the PCA)

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Galatians 2:20*

I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

*THERE IS ONE GOSPEL

There is one Gospel on which I stand
For all eternity

It is my story my Father's plan
The Son has rescued me
Oh what a Gospel oh what a peace
My highest joy and my deepest need
Now and forever He is my light
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

There is one Gospel to which I cling
All else I count as loss
For there where justice and mercy meet
He saved me on the cross
No more I boast in what I can bring
No more I carry the weight of sin
For He has brought me from death to life
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

There is one Gospel where hope is found
The empty tomb still speaks
For death could not keep my Savior down
He lives and I am free

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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.

Now on my Savior I fix my eyes
My life is His and His hope is mine
For he has promised I too will rise
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

And in this Gospel the church is one
We do not walk alone
We have His Spirit as we press on
To lead us safely home

*And when in glory still I will sing
Of this old story that rescued me
Praise to my Savior the King of life
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ*

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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

*Reminder: please sign and pass the Attendance Register down the pew.
Children ages 4-6 excused for Children's Church (downstairs Corner Classroom)*

PSALM 90 (SATISFY US WITH YOUR LOVE)

You have been our dwelling place
O Everlasting God
Before You formed the mountain tops
You were before it all
And soon our lives turn back to dust

(Chorus)

*When the sun comes up satisfy us
Before the day has passed us by
Before our hearts forget all Your goodness
Satisfy us with Your love*

The wrath of God poured out for sin
On Jesus crucified
Consider Him our hiding place
Our shelter is alive
Because He lived and died for us

(Chorus)

(Bridge x2)

Teach us, Lord
To number days on Earth
Give us more
Wisdom in the secret heart
As You displayed amazing grace
In Jesus Christ for us

(Chorus)

When the sun comes up satisfy us
Before the day has passed us by
Before Our hearts give up, Spirit fill us

Satisfy us with Your love (3x)

Sermon Series: 1 Corinthians 13—The Nature of Love

Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.

The Death of Our Envy in the Love of Christ : 1 Corinthians 13:4-7

⁴Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant ⁵or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. ⁷Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Sermon Outline

I. A Dark Desire

II. A Generous Heart

Questions for Further Reflection:

1. The word for “envy” here comes from the same word from which we get “zealous”. It is a passionate striving that can be either good or bad (1 Corinthians 14:1 *desire spiritual gifts*). What makes this desire turn in on itself?
2. We often use “envy” and “jealousy” as synonyms. How are they technically different? How can knowing this help us diagnose our hearts?
3. Consider: “It rejoices when someone else has a victory or triumph, it is not envious of that.”— B. Witherington. How have you struggled when others seem to be blessed but you are not? What about the nature of God’s grace extinguishes this envious fire of our heart?
4. How do our sinful desires end up destroying the thing that we want? How does love of Christ change or realign our passions?

Children’s Question

When someone has something we want, we can be jealous of them. We want to take what they have. How does the love of Jesus change our hearts so that we can be happy for others for what they have even if we don’t have it too?

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.

**God Communes
with Us**

The Lord
strengthens
and nourishes
our faith
through a sac-
ramental meal.
Through Je-
sus, 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.

***YOUR LOVE, OH LORD**

Your love, oh Lord, reaches to the heavens.
Your faithfulness stretches to the sky.
Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains.
Your justice flows like the ocean's tide.

I will lift my voice to worship you, my King.
I will find my strength in the shadow of your wings.
(Repeat all)

Your love, oh Lord, reaches to the heavens.
Your faithfulness stretches to the sky.

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 Elder Trent Neumann

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.

***OH 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!

***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

Assistant Pastor (Youth): Ben Melli Music Director/Assistant: Lisa Iddings/Laura Sackett

Refuge Director: Sissy Hashley Staff: Jenny Mattern, Hanni Hanson, Carlynn Stahlberg, Kelly Brown

Elders: Tim Anderson, Tom Jentz, Trent Neumann, Don Olmsted, Matt Riley, Micah Tinkham

*Deacons: Terry Falk, Kyle Hanson, Micah Hill, Ryan Petersen,
Mike Stahlberg, Bruce Tulloch*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: Central Bible Church, Pastor Peter Barber

MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: David & Ulrike Byle, serving in Berlin

VESPERS: Join us tonight, Oct. 9, at 6:30 p.m. for our monthly Vespers service.

COMMUNITY KITCHEN-FEEDING THE FLATHEAD: Those of you who are volunteering with Feed the Flathead will serve this Thursday, Oct. 13, at Central Christian Church. Contact Dawn Tinkham for details (406-471-0656).

MISSIONS MEAL: Come join us next Sunday, Oct. 16, to share a meal of pizza & salad after the 2nd service and hear from the leaders of Trinity Center for World Mission, a Christian Ministry that works in Africa planting and running Biblical Interdenominational seminaries. Sign up in the foyer.

CHILI & CORN MAZE: Join us for our annual chili lunch and visit to the Fritz Corn Maze on Sunday, Oct. 23, at 12:30 p.m. for a chili lunch at the church followed by corn maze fun (entry paid by the church). Sign up in the foyer.

SERVING: October Deacon - Ryan Petersen

Today (1st service/2nd service)

Ushers: Peters/Lancaster

Children's Church: Jentz/Julie Thompson

Nursery: Andersons

Fellowship Hosts: Kate Anderson & Carlynn Stahlberg

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Susie Sullivan/Arline Tinkham

Next Sunday October 16th

Ushers: Hadley Duncan/Heyboers

Children's Church: Ann Ingram/Sharon Thompson

Nursery: Fishers

Fellowship Hosts: Sue Richardson & Kristin Bay

Communion Prep/Cleanup: McGarveys/Jessica Brown

WEEKLY/MONTHLY

Sunday Worship Services

8:15 & 11 am

Vespers

2nd Sunday @ 6:30 pm

Elder/Deacon Meeting

3rd Tuesdays 7 pm

Wednesdays

Men's Breakfast 6:30 am

Jr High Youth @ 5 pm

Sr. High Youth @ 6:30 pm

Career Group 7 pm

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