

FAITH   
COVENANT  

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C H U R C H

*Spreading A Love for God and His Glory*

*October 23, 2022*

“Love...is not...rude.  
It does not insist on its own way”  
1 Corinthians 13:4b-5a

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 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.

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP: *Jeremiah 31:7*

For thus says the LORD: "Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, 'O LORD, save your people, the remnant of Israel.'"

### \*JOYFUL, JOYFUL WE ADORE THEE

Joyful, joyful we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love;  
hearts unfold like flowers before thee, hail thee as the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!

All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy  
rays,  
stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,  
well-spring of the joy of living, ocean-depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are thine;  
teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals join the happy chorus, which the morning stars began;  
father love is reigning o'er us, brother love binds man to man.  
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife;  
joyful music leads us upward in the triumph song of life.

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**\*PRAYER OF PRAISE**

**\*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)*

*Holy, holy, Lord Almighty  
Good and gracious, good and gracious  
Holy, Holy, Lord Almighty  
Good and gracious King*

*(Chorus)*

*You're a good and gracious King*

**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: *Matthew 5:17-19*

Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

Leader: "Blessed are the poor in spirit" —

All: **but we have been rich in pride.**

Leader: "Blessed are those who mourn" —

All: **but we have not known much sorrow for our sin.**

Leader: "Blessed are the meek" —

All: **but we are a stiff-necked people.**

Leader: "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness" —

All: **but we are filled to the full with other things.**

Leader: "Blessed are the merciful" —

All: **but we are harsh and impatient.**

Leader: "Blessed are the pure in heart" —

All: **but we have impure hearts.**

Leader: "Blessed are the peacemakers" —

All: **but we have not sought reconciliation.**

Leader: "Blessed are those who are persecuted because of right-  
eousness"—

All: **but our lives do not challenge the world.**

Leader: "Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and  
falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me" —

All: **but we have hardly made it known that we are yours.**

Leader: Your Law is holy and your blessings are perfect, but  
they are both too great for us.

All: **We plead with you to forgive our sins and give us the  
blessing of your righteousness.**

## SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

### DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Romans 5:17*

If, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

### PUBLIC RECEPTION OF COMMUNICANT MEMBERS:

*Baxter Melli*  
*Henry Heyboer*

### **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.

## \*COME YE SINNERS

Come ye sinners, poor and wretched, weak and wounded, sick and sore.  
Jesus, ready, stands to save you, full of pity joined with power.  
He is able, he is able; he is willing; doubt no more.

Come ye needy, come and welcome; God's free bounty glorify:  
True belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh.  
Without money, without money, come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come ye weary, heavy laden, bruised and broken by the fall.  
If you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all.  
Not the righteous, not the righteous; sinners Jesus came to call.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream.  
All the fitness he requireth is to feel your need of him.  
This he gives you, this he gives you, 'tis the Spirit's rising beam.

Lo! The Incarnate God, ascended; pleads the merit of his blood.  
Venture on him; venture wholly, let no other trust intrude.  
None but Jesus, none but Jesus can do helpless sinners good.

### **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)*

GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS - Hymn #32

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my father  
There is no shadow of turning with thee  
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not  
As thou hast been thou for ever wilt be

*(Chorus)*

*Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see  
All I have needed thy hand hath provided  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!*

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest  
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To thy great faithfulness, mercy and love

*(Chorus)*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside

*(Chorus)*

*Sermon Series: 1 Corinthians 13—The Nature of Love*

Pastor John Sackett

*Honor and Sacrifice: 1 Corinthians 13:3-8a*

<sup>3</sup>If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing. <sup>4</sup>Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant <sup>5</sup>or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; <sup>6</sup>it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. <sup>7</sup>Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. <sup>8</sup>Love never ends.

**Sermon Outline**

*Because of God's empowering example of Love to us, we must honor and sacrifice in Love.*

Love is...

I. not rude, but honorable.

II. not selfish, but sacrificial



### Questions for Further Reflection:

1. The term translated by the ESV as “rude” is also translated as “acts unbecomingly”, or “behaves itself unseemly” or “dishonoring.” How do these translations help us understand what Love is?
2. NT Scholar Thiselton quoting Hering notes, “Love does not act in ways which are “contrary to the requirements of propriety and good order.” Why is it that when one moves outside the boundaries of propriety, our actions are unloving?
3. What has God done with our shame?
4. If love is not self-seeking, why are we told in multiple places that we are to love our neighbors as ourselves? Is all self-love bad? What’s the difference?
5. One scholar notes that we are to “root up the principle wrought into our nature.” John Calvin notes “we are naturally prone to have love and care for ourselves...nay to speak more correctly, we are hurried into it, and rush headlong into it without any restraint.” How can we root up this misdirected natural love?
6. What specific challenges might Paul have been addressing here with the Corinthians? What areas do we struggle with in being “rude or self-seeking”?

### Children’s Question

*What is the opposite of being rude? Which is more loving? Why?*

### 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.

**\*MY WORTH IS NOT IN WHAT I OWN**

My worth is not in what I own, not in the strength of flesh and bone  
But in the costly wounds of love at the cross  
My worth is not in skill or name, in win or lose, in pride or shame  
But in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross

*(Chorus)*

*I rejoice in my Redeemer*

*Greatest treasure, wellspring of my soul*

*I will trust in Him, no other, my soul is satisfied in Him alone*

As summer flowers we fade and die, fame, youth and beauty hurry by  
But life eternal calls to us at the cross

I will not boast in wealth or might or human wisdom's fleeting light  
But I will boast in knowing Christ at the cross

*(Chorus)*

Two wonders here that I confess: my worth and my unworthiness  
My value fixed, my ransom paid at the cross

*(Chorus 2x)*

**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**

*8:15 Pastor— 11 Elder Micah Tinkham*

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.

**\*ALL TO JESUS I SURRENDER - Hymn #562**

All to Jesus, I surrender  
All to Him I freely give  
I will ever love and trust Him  
In His presence daily live

*(Chorus)*

*I surrender all, I surrender all  
All to Thee, my blessed Savior  
I surrender all*

All to Jesus, I surrender  
Humbly at His feet I bow  
Worldly pleasures all forsaken  
Take me, Jesus, take me now

*(Chorus)*

All to Jesus I surrender  
Make me, Savior, wholly thine  
May the Holy Spirit fill me  
May I know thy pow'r divine

*(Chorus)*

All to Jesus I surrender  
Lord I give myself to thee  
Fill me with thy love and power  
Let thy blessing fall on me

*(Chorus)*

**\*BENEDICTION**

*If you are in need of personal prayer, an elder is available up front after the service.*

**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*

**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.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**LOCAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR:** Christ Lutheran Church, Pastor Dylan Curtis

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

**CHILI & CORN MAZE:** Join us TODAY for our annual chili lunch and visit to the Fritz Corn Maze (173 Birch Grove Rd, Kalispell). Entrance fee is paid by the church; let the person at the ticket booth know you're with Faith Covenant.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES:** It's time to start packing shoeboxes for needy children around the world. Box labels are available in the foyer, or you can print your own at [samaritanspurse.org](http://samaritanspurse.org). Please do not include toothpaste, candy, or any other food. The shipping cost is \$10/box. Collection Sunday will be November 13.

**NEW FCC DEACON & ELDERS:** The ordination & installation of Sean Iddings and Jason Davis as Elders, and the installation of Wade Carroll as a Deacon will take place next Sunday, Oct. 30, at the 11am service.

**SAVE THE DATE:** The youth group will gather at the church from 9am to noon on Saturday, Nov. 5, to minister to nearby families by raking their leaves. This is a BYOR event. (Bring Your Own Rake)

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**SERVING:** October Deacon - Ryan Petersen

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

Ushers: Hansons/Heyboers

Children's Church: Ann Ingram/Sharon Salyer

Nursery: Hunters

Fellowship Hosts: Laura Pierson & Yvonne Hernandez

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Fenners/Niam Moody

**Next Sunday October 30th**

Ushers: Hadley & Duncan/T. Anderson

Children's Church: Hanni/Pastor Ben

Nursery: K. Brown & Y. Hernandez

Fellowship Hosts: Janis Orndorf & Kim Hansen

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Carolyn Duncan/Jeanie Brenneman

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**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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