

FAITH COVENANT

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Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

March 17, 2024

“Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men.”

Romans 5:18

**Call to
Worship**

Worship begins
with God who
invites us and
welcomes us
into his pres-
ence. Because
of Christ, we
can approach
God with
boldness even
though we are
sinful and
weak.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** *Psalm 103:1-5, 8*

Leader: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless
his holy name!

All: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his
benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all
your diseases,

Leader: Who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with
steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so
that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

All: The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and
abounding in steadfast love.

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***O WORSHIP THE KING - Hymn #2, vs. 1-2, 4-5**

O worship the King all-glorious above,
O gratefully sing his power and his love:
our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,
pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of his might and sing of his grace,
whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

Your bountiful care, what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
in you do we trust, nor find you to fail.
Your mercies, how tender, how firm to the end,
our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

***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

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.

HAVE MERCY

Have mercy on me
Have mercy on me
O Lord have mercy
O Lord have mercy

Lord help my unbelief
Lord help my unbelief
O Lord have mercy
O Lord have mercy

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Psalms 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!

Call to Confession

We all sin daily, in thought and word and deed. As we come into God's presence, we acknowledge how we have rebelled against our King and seek his forgiveness.

***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

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

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
(Chorus)

Lord, forgive us for our shame when we can't release the past
When we're quick to take the blame but forget we're free at last
We avoid Your sons and daughters for the fear we don't belong
Give us eyes to see each other through Your only Son
(Chorus 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.)

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)

THE LORD ALMIGHTY REIGNS

There's an endless song waiting to be sung
With the voice of every tribe the sound of every tongue

When the bride of Christ on that day of days
Brings with joy unto the Lamb a multitude of praise

Like the roar of mighty seas
And rolls of thunder, hear His people sing

(Chorus)
Hallelujah, hallelujah
For the Lord almighty reigns
Hallelujah, hallelujah
For the Lord our God the almighty reigns

We will join the feast, rest from battles won
Tell with great rejoicing all the wonders God has done

Like the roar of mighty seas
Rolls of thunder, all the church will sing
(Chorus)

Certain of that day, Christ we will proclaim
Oh, that more would share the prize—salvation in His name

Then greater will the anthem ring
A mighty chorus rising to the King
(Chorus 2x)

Sermon Series—Romans: Coming Under Grace
Guest Pastor Noah Bailey
A New Human: Romans 5:12-21

¹²Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned—¹³for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. ¹⁴Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come.

¹⁵But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. ¹⁶And the free gift is not like the result of that one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brought justification. ¹⁷For 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.

¹⁸Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. ¹⁹For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous. ²⁰Now the law came in to increase the trespass, but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more ²¹so that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through righteousness leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

I. Moses makes plain that Adam's sin ruined us all (v.12-14)

II. But, Jesus is a new Adam (v.15-19)

III. So, now, grace is in charge

Questions for Further Reflection:

1. Where does sin have the strongest power over you in your life? Where is death most at work?
2. Which relationship or calling is most imperiled by sin or death right now?
3. How is Jesus different from Adam and which of these differences is most meaningful to you?
4. When you consider Jesus' gifts (e.g. adoption, justification, sanctification), which one do you struggle to accept?
5. According to our passage, what one thing is abundant and abounding? How can that shape your life?

Children's Question

Do you look like your parents? Do you ever talk or act like them? Are you at all like Adam in this passage? Who does Paul want you to be like in this passage? According to Paul, what will make you like him?

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.

***GRACE**

Your grace that leads this sinner home
From death to life forever
And sings the song of righteousness
By blood and not by merit

Your grace that reaches far and wide
To every tribe and nation
Has called my heart to enter in
The joy of Your salvation

(Chorus)

*By grace I am redeemed
By grace I am restored
And now I freely walk
Into the arms of Christ my Lord*

Your grace that I cannot explain
Not by my earthly wisdom
The prince of life without a stain
Was traded for this sinner

(Chorus)

Let praise rise up and overflow
My song resound forever
For grace will see me welcomed home
To walk beside my Savior

(Chorus 2x)

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)*

**The Lord's
Supper**

The gospel is not only heard, but visibly seen as God invites us to commune with him at his table. In the Lord's Supper we remember and experience Jesus' saving work.

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

*TO GOD BE THE GLORY - Hymn #55

To God be the glory great things He has done
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin
And opened the life gate that all may go in

(Chorus)

Praise the Lord praise the Lord

Let the earth hear His voice

Praise the Lord praise the Lord

Let the people rejoice

O come to the Father through Jesus the Son

And give Him the glory great things He has done

O perfect redemption the purchase of blood

To every believer the promise of God

The vilest offender who truly believes

That moment from Jesus a pardon receives

(Chorus)

Great things He has taught us

Great things He has done

And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son

But purer and higher and greater will be

Our wonder our transport when Jesus we see

(Chorus)

*BENEDICTION

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

Benediction

Just as worship begins with God's call, it ends with God sending us into the world with his word of grace . We go forth to live and serve by the power of his grace, not our own strength.

Leaders & Staff

Senior Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D. — Associate Pastor John Sackett

Music Director/Assistant: Lisa Iddings/Laura Sackett

Director of Women's Ministries: Sarah Morrison Refuge Director: Sissy Hashley

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Trent Neumann, Don Olmsted, Matt Riley, Micah Tinkham

Deacons: Wade Carroll, Terry Falk, Kyle Hanson, Jeff McGarvey,

Ryan Petersen, Mike Stahlberg, Mike Thompson, Bruce Tulloch

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: Cornerstone Community Church, Pastor Luke Knoll

MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: Kevin & Sarah Johnson, United World Mission

MARCH YOUTH GROUP: meets one more time this month on Wednesday, March 20.

SHEPHERDING GROUP POTLUCK: for those in the Riley/Thompson group is TODAY after the 2nd service.

EASTER LILIES: If you would like to order an Easter lily in honor/memory of a loved one, fill out one of the forms in the foyer and drop it in the box with \$10 by next Sunday, March 24. You can also order online using the link in the Friday eNews or the QR code located in the foyer.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES: There will be two GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES on March 29 (6pm & 8pm) and three services on EASTER SUNDAY (8:00, 9:30 and 11am) Note: children's church and nursery will be available at the 8am and 11am services only on Easter. Faith Covenant Deacons will cook and serve breakfast between 9 and 11am. There will be no Sunday School classes that day.

SERVING: March Deacon - Jeff McGarvey

Today (1st service/2nd service)

Ushers: Joni Jenks & Nikki Streeter / Davises

Children's Church: T&T Jentz / J&J Brown

Nursery: Mattern & Orndorff

Fellowship Hosts: Kamela Anderson & Lydia, Lacey, and Ruby

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Susie Sullivan / Yvonne Hernandez

Next Sunday March 24

Ushers: Joni Jenks & Nikki Streeter / Davises

Children's Church: T&T Jentz / TBD

Nursery: Matterns

Fellowship Hosts: Traci Carroll & Deanna Kotila

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Caroline Duncan / Arline Tinkham

WEEKLY/MONTHLY

Sunday Worship Services

8:15 & 11am

Sunday School

Sept.-May 10 am

Vespers

2nd Sunday @ 6:30 pm

Elder/Deacon Meeting

3rd Mondays 7 pm

Wednesdays

Men's Breakfast 6:30 am

Career Group 7 pm