

FAITH COVENANT

C H U R C H

Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

October 12, 2025

But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise;
God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God
chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that
are not, to bring to nothing things that are, so that no human
being might boast in the presence of God.

1 Corinthians 1:27-29

**Call to
Worship**

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

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.”

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***I WILL EXALT YOU, GOD, MY KING (*Psalms 145*)**

I will exalt you, God, my king;

I will forever bless your name.

I will extol you evermore,
day after day your praise proclaim.

Great is the LORD and greatly praised,
greatness which none can comprehend.

Age unto age will tell your deeds,
wonders and mighty acts commend.

Wondrous your works and majesty;

I will upon them meditate.

Men shall your awesome deeds confess;

I will your greatness celebrate.

People declare your matchless fame;
praise for your glories they express;
boundless and great your goodness, LORD;
they sing aloud your righteousness.

***PRAYER OF PRAISE**

Colors in the Church

We use different colored banners in a symbolic way throughout the liturgical year.

White = purity & holiness

Purple = royalty & suffering.

Red = blood & fire

Blue = royalty

Black = mourning & death (only used on Good Friday)

Green = life & growth

***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.

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 numbered 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)

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.

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.

***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)

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)*

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.)

BE THOU MY VISION - *Hymn #642*

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art
thou my best thought, by day or by night;
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord.
Thou my great Father; I thy true son,
thou in me dwelling and I with thee one.

Be thou my battle shield, sword for my fight;
be thou my dignity, thou my delight,
thou my soul's shelter, thou my high tow'r:
raise thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise;
thou mine inheritance, now and always;
thou and thou only first in my heart,
high King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Sermon Series—God’s Generational Faithfulness
Pastor Lloyd Pierson
Jacob Wins by Losing—Genesis 25-34

Genesis 32:22-32 (ESV)

²²The same night he arose and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and everything else that he had. ²⁴And Jacob was left alone. And a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he touched his hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, “Let me go, for the day has broken.” But Jacob said, “I will not let you go unless you bless me.” ²⁷And he said to him, “What is your name?” And he said, “Jacob.” ²⁸Then he said, “Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed.” ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, “Please tell me your name.” But he said, “Why is it that you ask my name?” And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, saying, “For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life has been delivered.” ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip. ³²Therefore to this day the people of Israel do not eat the sinew of the thigh that is on the hip socket, because he touched the socket of Jacob's hip on the sinew of the thigh.

I. The. Scandal of the Righteous

II. The Righteous are Justified

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.

Questions for Further Reflection

1. The life of Isaac is largely skipped over. Jacob becomes the next great narrative in Genesis. How does his life bring together the themes of election and conflict in the life of a believer?
2. What is significant about the change of name from Jacob to Israel? Where else do you see name changes in Scripture that show the working of God with his people?
3. When Jacob meets up with Esau in Genesis 33, which one seems to be the more righteous man? How does this inform your own understanding of salvation by grace?
4. How are we to understand the wrestling of Jacob in Genesis 32? What is the purpose of the narrative?
5. In Genesis 48:13-19, Jacob blesses Joseph's sons in the wrong order. What does this show us about the purposes of God and the maturity of Jacob being woven together?

Children's Question

Jacob learns the hard way about putting his own interests above doing what was right. Through his suffering, he learned to trust in the Lord. When you have struggled to trust in the Lord, how has he shown his faithfulness to you?

*HIS GLORY AND MY GOOD

I have seen my Father's glory revealed in Jesus Christ
And the more that I behold Him, the more He satisfies
When I gaze upon His beauty, when I see Him as I should
Then my eyes are lifted upward for His glory and my good

There is hope in every trial for I can trust the Lord
He will turn my heart towards Him and help me bear the thorn
So in faith I follow Jesus on the road not understood
For I know that He is working for His glory and my good

(Chorus)

To our God be the glory

To our God be praise

He alone the name above all names

I will boast ever only in the Lord my God

For I know His glory is my good

See the open arms of Jesus upon the cross that day
What they understood as weakness deserves my every praise
For the charge that was against me, it was nailed into the wood
Yes, I know that He has saved me for His glory and my good

(Chorus)

Would I gladly be made nothing that Christ would be made more
Would I seek the only kingdom that far outweighs them all
I will stand before my Father where the faithful saints have stood
And with joy my heart shall praise Him for His glory and my good

(Chorus 2x)

Yes I know His glory is my good

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

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.

*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)

*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

Youth & Family Pastor: Jake Neufeld

Elders: Tim Anderson, Jason Davis, Sean Iddings, Tom Jentz, Trent Neumann,

Don Olmsted, Lloyd Pierson, Matt Riley, John Sackett, Micah Tinkham

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Jeff McGarvey, Tom Moody, Ryan Petersen, Mike Thompson, Bruce Tulloch

Assistant to the Deacons/Mercy Ministries: Dawn Tinkham

Music Director/Assistant: Lisa Iddings/Laura Sackett

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

Staff: Kelly Brown, Hanni Hanson, Jenny Mattern, Niam Moody

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: Canvas Church, Pastor Kevin Geer

MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR: Kelli Hansen, serving with One Collective in Athens, Greece

YOUTH GROUP: Middle & High Schoolers are invited to come for worship, prayer, dinner, discipleship, and fun! Middle School [6th - 8th grade] from 5:30 - 7 pm; High School [9th - 12th grade] from 6:45 - 8:15 pm.

OCTOBER SHEPHERDING GROUPS (after the 2nd service):

- TODAY - Sean Iddings/Wade Carroll
- 19th - Trent Neumann/Jeff McGarvey/Patrick Jentz

UPDATED DIRECTORY PHOTOS: Please come to the front of the sanctuary after the service if you would like to have an updated directory photo taken. Already have a photo you'd like to use? Email it to the church office!

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES MYSTERY DINNER EVENT: is happening Fri., Oct. 24. More information and signups in the foyer. Reach out to Kim Hansen with questions.

CHILI & CORN MAZE: Join us for our annual chili lunch and visit to the Fritz Corn Maze (entry paid by the church) on Sunday, Oct. 26, after the second service. Sign up in the foyer.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES WITH THE REFUGE: There's a signup sheet in the foyer showing some of the many ways you can volunteer to help survivors of domestic abuse, as well as some free materials on various topics related to DV. Check it out!

FRIDAY ENEWSLETTER: If you would like to be on the list to receive our weekly church newsletter, let the office know!

SERVING: October On-Call Deacon - Terry Falk

WEEKLY/MONTHLY

Today (1st service/2nd service)

Ushers: M&J Peters / Scrima Family
Children's Church: C. Duncan & E. Morin / A. Brown
Nursery: Morins / Lancasters
Fellowship Hosts: J. Orndorff & J. Haugestuen
Communion Prep/Cleanup: J. Eck / N. Moody

Next Sunday October 19

Ushers: J. Jenks & N. Streeter / McManus family
Children's Church: Danielsons / J&J Brown
Nursery: Riekes / S. Votapka & B. Votapka
Fellowship Hosts: D. Corder & E. Pierson
Communion Prep/Cleanup: T. Carroll / C&L Scrima

Sunday Worship Services

8:15 & 11 am

Sunday School

10 am

Vespers

2nd Sunday @ 6 pm

Sunday Evening Prayer Svc

Non-Vespers Sundays @ 6 pm

Wednesday Youth Group

5:30-7pm (MS) / 6:45-8:15 pm (HS)

Elder/Deacon Meeting

3rd Monday @ 7 pm

Men's Breakfast

Wednesdays @ 6:30 am