

FAITH COVENANT

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Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

May 31, 2026



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Revelation 4:6-7

**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

MOMENT FOR MINISTRY: VBS (*Zach Falk*)

CALL TO WORSHIP: *Micah 4:1-2; Psalm 86:9-10

Leader: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths."

All: All the nations you have made shall come and worship before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name.

Leader: For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

COME, THOU ALMIGHTY KING - *Hymn #101

Come, thou Almighty King,
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.

(cont. opposite)

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

***PRAYER OF PRAISE**

***TRINITARIAN CONFESSION**

All: Blessed is the kingdom of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and forever, and unto all ages. Amen.

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

***ALL PRAISE TO HIM**

All praise to Him, the God of light
Who formed the mountains by His might
All praise to Him Who names the stars
That sing His fame in skies afar

All praise to Him Who reigns in love
Who guides the galaxies above
Yet bends to hear our every prayer
With sovereign pow'r and tender care

All praise to Him whose love is seen
In Christ the Son, the Servant King
Who left behind His glorious throne
To pay the ransom for His own

All praise to Him Who humbly came
To bear our sorrow, sin, and shame
Who lived to die, Who died to rise
The all-sufficient sacrifice

All praise to Him whose pow'r imparts
The love of God within our hearts
The Spirit of all truth and peace
The fount of joy and holiness

*To Father, Son, and Spirit now
Our souls we lift, our wills we bow
To You, the triune God, we raise
With loving hearts our song of praise*

COMMON CONFSSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *Romans 3:20, 23; 6:23*

For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

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.

All: O most just and gracious God. We confess that we have sinned and fallen short of your holiness. We have hated our brother in our hearts. We have delighted in the taste of our own vengeance and not in your mercy. We too easily bear grudges against those made in your image. We have not loved others well, but have sought our desires above others. Be merciful toward us Father. Be reconciled to us, and let the blood of Jesus Christ cleanse us from all our sins.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Nahum 1:7*

The LORD is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble; he knows those who take refuge in him.

*COMMON CONFESSION OF FAITH: *The Nicene Creed*

We believe in one God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
begotten, not made; being of one substance with the
Father;
by whom all things were made;
who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried;
and the third day he rose again according to the
Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
and he shall come again, with glory,
to judge both the living and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.

Nicene Creed

In the fourth century, Christian leaders gathered to express the truths of our Christian faith against heresy. This creed is the result. When we recite this creed together, we are affirming and remembering the faith that is universally held by all Christians throughout history (the word 'catholic' simply means 'universal') In our worship, we are connected with others in the past, the present, and the future.

(cont.)

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, and Giver of Life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son
together is worshiped and glorified;
who spoke by the prophets;
and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic
church;
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

***WHEN TRIALS COME**

When trials come no longer fear
For in the pain our God draws near
To fire a faith worth more than gold
And there His faithfulness is told

Within the night I know Your peace
The breath of God brings strength to me
And new each morning mercy flows
As treasures of the darkness grow

I turn to wisdom not my own
For ev'ry battle You have known
My confidence will rest in You
Your love endures Your ways are good

When I am weary with the cost
I see the triumph of the cross
So in its shadow I shall run
Till You complete the work begun

One day all things will be made new
I'll see the hope You called me to
And in Your kingdom paved with gold
I'll praise Your faithfulness of old

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)*

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.

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—Trinity Sunday
Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.
The Trinity and the Throne Room—Revelation 1:4-8, 4:6-7

Revelation Chapter 1:4-8

⁴John, To the seven churches in the province of Asia: Grace and peace to you from Him who is and was and is to come, and from the seven spirits before His throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To Him who loves us and has released us from our sins by His blood, ⁶who has made us to be a kingdom, priests to His God and Father—to Him be the glory and power forever and ever! Amen.

⁷Behold, He is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see Him—even those who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. So shall it be! Amen. ⁸“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, who is and was and is to come—the Almighty.

Revelation Chapter 4:6-7

⁶Then I saw a Lamb who appeared to have been slain, standing in the center of the throne, encircled by the four living creatures and the elders. The Lamb had seven horns and seven eyes, which represent the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. ⁷And He came and took the scroll from the right hand of the One seated on the throne.

I. God makes himself known

II. God's people respond in worship and work

Questions for Further Reflection

1. The book of Revelation gives us a vision of the throne room that brings together Father, Son, and Spirit as one we are to worship. In chapter 13, we see the counterfeit worship of the dragon and the two beasts. What is the allure of the counterfeit?
2. In Revelation 1:8 and 21:6, God refers to himself as the beginning and the end. How does Jesus identify himself with God in Revelation 22:13?
3. How does the trinity enable us to bridge between an absolute God and a personal God? How do we also see this bridging between science and the arts and in society?
4. Consider: God is love. Love always implies a communion between persons...the Father loves the Son in the communion of the Spirit. God has his being-in-communion.” —James Torrance. Consider: “The church is the home of love in this world” —Robert Jenson. How do we live this out right here where we live?
5. The nature of God’s love is self-giving—to love without the thought of the return from the one we are loving. We often love in order to receive love back. What changes this in our hearts?

Westminster Larger Catechism

Q8: Are there more Gods than one?

A: There is but one only, the living and true God.

Q9: How many persons are there in the Godhead?

A: There be three persons in the Godhead, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; and these three are one true, eternal God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory; although distinguished by their personal properties.

Children’s Question

Our God is one God in three person—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

While this can be hard to understand, why does it matter so much?

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.

***HOLY, HOLY, HOLY! - Hymn #100**

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;
Holy, Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, Holy, Holy, all the saints adore thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, Holy, Holy, though the darkness hide thee,
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty!
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**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.

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

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.

***THE GOD WE LOVE (NICENE CREED)**

We believe in one God the Father, the Almighty the Maker of all
The One who rules the seen and unseen, we believe and we adore
Jesus Christ one Lord of creation from the Father, begotten not made
He is the Light from Light eternal and the God of every age

(Chorus)

*All glory to the Father now
All honor to the Son
And praise the Spirit now and always
This is the God we love*

For this world and for our salvation, He came down from the heavens above
Born of a virgin and the Spirit, truly man and truly God
He was crucified under Pilate, suffered death and was laid in the grave
And in accordance with the scriptures on the third He rose again

(Chorus)

(Bridge)

And He has made His ascent into the heavens above
Where He sits at the Father's right hand now
But He will come back again and He will judge in truth
The Holy Spirit has come, voice of the prophets of God
Sent to us he has given us new life, forgiven now and baptized
One holy church we rise, we rise

(Chorus 2x)

This is the God we love

Now we wait to be resurrected
And we look for the world without end
This is our creed our faith our anthem
This is the God we love

***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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: Grace Church, Pastor Jon Gehman

MAY MISSION FOCUS: Garrett & Sarah Morrison

COLLEGE-AGE/YOUNG ADULT GROUP: Tim and Kate Anderson are hosting a summer Bible study for college-age/young adults at their home on Thursday nights from 6:30-8:30 pm, beginning June 4. Dinner will be provided. Questions and RSVPs can be directed to David Moody.

HEART BUTTE YOUTH MISSION TRIP: Just a reminder that if your teen is planning to go on the youth group mission trip to the Blackfeet Reservation June 15-19, make sure you fill out the online registration form!

VBS: for ages 4 to entering 5th grade runs from June 22-25 (5:30-7 pm). There are still volunteer spots we need to fill to make the program run smoothly; check out the clipboards in the foyer to find opportunities to serve! There will be a training for VBS volunteers following the 2nd service next Sunday.

SAVE THE DATE(S): We will have two all-church picnics at Lawrence Park this summer on June 28 & July 19 (following the 2nd service). The picnic in June will give us a chance to say farewell to the Neumann family and the one in July will be in honor of the Morrison family. Mark your calendars! More information coming soon.

SERVING: May On-Call Deacon - Patrick Jentz

WEEKLY/MONTHLY

Today (1st service/2nd service)

Ushers: M&G Tronstad / Falk Family
Children's Church: H&Z Hanson / D. Moody
Nursery: Buis Family / Jost Family
Fellowship Hosts: J. Hagestuen & L. Cole-Tinkham
Communion Prep/Cleanup: E. Pierson / T. Paolini

Next Sunday June 7

Ushers: R&M Wilkerson / Bay Family
Children's Church: H&Z Hanson / J. Benson & S. Calvi
Nursery: Allingham Family / Hunter Family
Fellowship Hosts: A. Haymond + R&C Bitney
Communion Prep/Cleanup: S. Sullivan / K. Brown

Sunday Worship Services

8:15 & 10:15 am

Sunday School

Sept.-May 10 am

Vespers

2nd Sunday @ 6 pm

Wednesday Youth Group

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

Elder/Deacon Meeting

3rd Monday @ 7 pm

Men's Breakfast

Wednesdays @ 6:30 am