

***ONLY YOU** – words included

No one but you, Lord,
can satisfy the longing in our heart.
Nothing we do, Lord,
can take the place of drawing near to you.

(Chorus)

*Only you can fill our deepest longing.
Only you can breathe in us new life.
Only you can fill our heart with laughter.
Only you can answer our heart's cry.*

Father, we love you.
Come satisfy the longing in our heart.
Fill us, overwhelm us,
until we know your love deep in our heart.

(Chorus 2x)

Only you can answer our heart's cry.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Wine is located in the two outer rings; juice is located in the center ring.
(See FCC Observance information on the back page.)*

PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION

– Elder Steve Johnson

***ALL FOR JESUS!** – Hymn #565

***BENEDICTION**

CONTACT INFORMATION

*“Serving One Another in Love”
Galatians 5:13*

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LORD'S SUPPER OBSERVANCE

At Faith Covenant, the Lord's Supper is observed 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. By eating the bread and drinking the cup with us as a visitor, you are acknowledging to our church that you are in covenant with God. You also acknowledge that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Jesus Christ alone for your salvation. If you have any doubts about your participation, please speak to the pastor or one of the elders after the service. 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 wine is located in the two outer rings and the juice is located in the center ring.



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*“Let the children come to me.”
Mark 10:14*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

His Calling and Our Praise

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** Psalm 18

Leader: I love you, O LORD, my strength. The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised,

All: For who is God, but the LORD? And who is a rock, except our God?

Leader: The LORD lives, and blessed be my rock, and exalted be the God of my salvation.

All: I will praise you, O LORD, among the nations, and sing to your name.

***HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION** – Hymn #94

***PRAYER OF PRAISE & THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*(*Indicates when to stand)*

We ask that you please turn off cell phones during the worship service. Thank you.

***REVELATION SONG** – words included

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain; holy, holy is he.
Sing a new song to him who sits on heaven's mercy seat.

(Repeat)

(Chorus)

*Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,
who was and is and is to come.*

*With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings;
you are my ev'rything and I will adore you.*

Clothed in rainbows of living color, flashes of lightning,
rolls of thunder; blessing and honor, strength and glory
and power be to you, the only wise King.

(Chorus)

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder at the mention of your name.

Jesus, your name is power, breath and living water,
such a marv'rous mystery!

(Chorus 2x)

***ROCK OF MY SALVATION** – words included

Though storms of strife assail me without warning,
and though they try to steal my joy away;
I will find rest in knowing you have saved me,
Precious Jesus, Rock of my salvation.

Though times I stumble and fall short of your standard,
I'll rest assured there is love enough for me;
for I find strength in knowing you have saved me,
Precious Jesus, Rock of my salvation.

(Chorus)

*Oh, my Jesus, Rock of my salvation
who bore the weight of Calvary's wood and shame;
and cleansed my sin in the crimson flow of mercy,
Precious Jesus, Rock of my salvation.*

Though times I stumble and fall short of your standard,
I'll rest assured there is love enough for me;
for I find strength in knowing you have saved me,
Precious Jesus, Rock of my salvation.

(Chorus 2x)

*Precious Jesus, Rock of my salvation.
Precious Jesus, Rock of my salvation.*

His Renewal and Our Hope

COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *Psalm 51:5-6, 16-17*

Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did
my mother conceive me. Behold, you delight in truth in
the inward being and you teach me wisdom in the secret
heart...For you will not delight in sacrifice, or I would
give it; you will not be pleased with a burnt offering. The
sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite
heart, O God, you will not despise.

**All: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your
steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly
from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!
For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever
before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may
be justified in your words and blameless in your
judgment. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and
renew a right spirit within me.** (*Psalm 51:1-4, 12*)

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Psalm 23:1-4*

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me
lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters.
He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness
for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with
me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

***SAVIOR, LIKE A SHEPHERD LEAD US** – Hymn #599

***COMMON CONFESSION OF FAITH:**

The Apostles' Creed – Hymnal page 845

PRAYER, OFFERTORY & RESPONSE

Reminder: please sign and pass the Attendance Register down the pew.

*Children ages 4-6 are excused for Children's Church
(held downstairs in the Fellowship Hall)*

***MY HEART IS FILLED WITH THANKFULNESS**

– words included

My heart is filled with thankfulness
to him who bore my pain;
who plumbed the depths of my disgrace
and gave me life again;
who crushed my curse of sinfulness
and clothed me in his light
and wrote his law of righteousness
with pow'r upon my heart.

My heart is filled with thankfulness
to him who walks beside;
who floods my weaknesses with strength
and causes fears to fly;
whose ev'ry promise is enough
for ev'ry step I take,
sustaining me with arms of love
and crowning me with grace.

My heart is filled with thankfulness
to him who reigns above,
whose wisdom is my perfect peace,
whose ev'ry thought is love.
*For ev'ry day I have on earth
is given by the King;
So I will give my life, my all,
to love and follow him.*

***PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

His Word and Our Response

Sermon: Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.

Sermon Series: Worship to God

Sermon Title: Let the Children Come to Me

Sermon Text: Mark 10:13-16

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL OR REGIONAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR:

Fresh Life Church, Kalispell, Pastor Levi Lusko.

MISSION PROJECT OR MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR:

Sam and Dawn Wills have completed French Language School and are planning to leave for the Democratic Republic of Congo to begin their ministry with Mission Aviation Fellowship.

MISSIONARY PRESENTATION! SUNDAY, MARCH 18

during Sunday School, Sam and Dawn Wills (see above) will be offering a presentation to the church. Junior High students through adults are invited to attend if interested.

2012 SENIOR HIGH SNOWBLAST! Our Senior High Youth Group will be taking a short trip to Hungry Horse to enjoy an afternoon of snow activities. We will be leaving at 12:30 p.m. after church on **Sunday, March 18**. The afternoon itinerary includes snowmobile tows, sledding/tubing, snowball fights, bonfire with smores, and more. Bring a sack lunch, snow clothes, \$5 and any friend that wants to join us. We will be returning at 6:00 p.m. We are looking for parents who would be available to drive and additional snowmobiles for the event. Please contact Trent Neumann with any questions.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: Faith Covenant's 24 hour prayer vigil committment will be **Friday, March 23** (Thursday midnight to Friday midnight) outside All Families Healthcare located at 1060 N. Meridian Rd. in Kalispell. You can sign up for one hour time slots (3 people per hour desired) on the sheet in the Fellowship Hall. It is requested that each person who signs up also fill out an application that can be found next to the schedule. Men are needed to sign up for the late night time slots. To get more information contact Karen Trierweiler at 890-2297 or kals40day@gmail.com or visit the campaign website: www.40daysforlife.com/Kalispell. All are welcome!

EASTER LILIES CAN BE PURCHASED in honor or memory of your loved ones. Your dedication will be printed in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Forms are available on the table in the Fellowship Hall for you to fill out and leave in the box provided or you may return them to the church office along with \$10.00 (per lily), **no later than Sunday, April 1**. Lilies will be displayed on Easter Sunday and you are welcome to take them home after the worship service.

GENERAL OFFERING SUMMARY THRU FEBRUARY 29:
Targeted Budget = \$40,933.02; Offerings received = \$39,857.90

There will be **NO SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES** on the following dates: **March 25, April 1 & April 8**. All classes will resume meeting on Sunday, April 15.

WOW! SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES! YOU ARE AWESOME!

Our first week of offerings for Clarisse and Andry came to \$91.13 –almost to the \$100 for March already! Thanks! The months we are over \$100 will help to cover the weeks we don't have classes during the SS year and for the summertime when we won't have any classes. We'll keep track and if we have excess over the \$1,200 for the year at the end of December, it will be sent to World Ventures for support for Clarisse and Andry as that was what it was given for. Thank you for being a blessing!

DIRECTORY UPDATE:

Sean & Lisa Iddings: Home phone ~~871-5748~~ (no longer in service);
Cell phones: Sean 871-4668; Lisa 871-5157

BOOKS FOR SALE: R.C. Sproul's *What is Reformed Theology?*, \$10 each. Contact the church office.

For Prayer Chain requests or to be added to the prayer chain, please contact the church office at 752-2400 or email to office@faithcov.com. After hours contact Carlynn at home.

MARCH MINISTRIES

DEACON OF THE MONTHIke Eisentraut
NURSERY M.O.M. (Mom of the Month).....Leah Wiersma
NURSERY COORDINATOR.....Darcy Hearn
Direct Nursery questions, concerns, praises, etc., to Darcy at 471-9770.

TODAY

USHERS/GREETERS Kyle & Michael Hanson
CHILDREN'S CHURCH Sharon & Zane Salyer
WORSHIP NURSERY (infants) Kelly Brown
WORSHIP NURSERY (toddlers thru 3yrs)..... Andersons
FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS.Penelope Bennett & Marlo Lancaster
COMMUNION PREP Carol Martin
COMMUNION CLEAN-UP Yvonne Hernandez

NEXT SUNDAY – MARCH 18

USHERS/GREETERS Kyle & Michael Hanson
CHILDREN'S CHURCH Sharon & Liz Riley
WORSHIP NURSERY (infants) Vileka Fisher & Elenie King
WORSHIP NURSERY (toddlers thru 3yrs)..... Heyboers
FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS..... Julie Thompson & Leah Wiersma
COMMUNION PREP Dar Wassink
COMMUNION CLEAN-UP Diane Nugent

CALENDAR

TODAY

9:30 a.m. – WORSHIP SERVICE
10:45 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship
11:15 a.m. – Sunday School for all ages

THIS WEEK

Tuesday – Elizabeth Women, noon, at Jo Anne Ross'
Fellowship Committee meeting, 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday – Men's Prayer Breakfast, 6:45 a.m. in the
Fellowship Hall
– Junior High Youth Group, 7:00-9:00 p.m. in the
Fellowship Hall
– Sr. High Youth Group, 7:00 p.m. at the Bennett's,
513 Crestview Rd, Kalispell
Sunday – Sr. High Youth Group Snowblast, see
announcement for details

LOOKING AHEAD

Tuesdays – Music practice, 6:30 p.m.
Wednesdays – Men's Prayer Breakfast, 6:45 a.m.
– Jr. & Sr. High Youth Groups (Sept.-May)
Sundays – Adult Small Groups (Sept.-May)
1st Sundays – Diaconal Offering
1st Tuesdays – Elder home visits
3rd Tuesdays – Elders/Deacons' meeting, 7:00 p.m.
2nd & 4th Tuesdays – Elizabeth Women, noon, at Jo Anne Ross'
home, (Sept.-May)
Last Sunday of month – Prayer & Worship Service, 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 18 – Sr. High Youth Group Snowblast, see
announcement for details
Tuesday, March 20 – Elder/Deacon meeting, 7:00 p.m.
Friday, March 23 – 40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil
Sunday, March 25 – No Sunday School
– Prayer & Worship Service, 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, March 27 – Elizabeth Women, noon, at Jo Anne Ross'
Sunday, April 1 – Palm Sunday
– No Sunday School
– No Foolin' Potluck after the service
Friday, April 6 – Good Friday Service
Sunday, April 8 – Easter Sunday services, 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.
– Easter Breakfast, 9:15 a.m.
– No Sunday School

SERMON OUTLINE

March 11, 2012

Sermon: Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.

Sermon Series: Worship to God

Sermon Title: *Let the Children Come to Me*

Sermon Text: Mark 10:13-16

I. A youth culture which ignores children

II. Nurturing and maturing in grace through worship

SERMON TEXT: Mark 10:13-16 (ESV)

MARK 10:13-16

¹³ And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴ But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. ¹⁵ Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." ¹⁶ And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

DEUTERONOMY 6:4-7

⁴ "Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. ⁵ You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. ⁶ And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. ⁷ You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.

DEUTERONOMY 4:9

⁹ Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children's children.

Why Should Children Attend the Worship Service? *(taken from Jason Helopoulos)*

1. Our children are members of the covenant community (the church): (Acts 2:42; Eph 10:24-25).
2. Our children will be present in the midst of the means of grace: (Rom 10:14),(Matt 28:19-20),(Acts 2:42-47).
3. Our children will be present in the midst of the entire congregation: (Deut 31:9-13).
4. Our children will be present with their parents.
5. Our children will witness their parents worshipping: (Deut. 6; Psalm 78; Eph. 6) (Ex 12:1-28; Deut. 4:9-11; Deut. 6; Psalm 78; Ezra 10:1; Nehemiah 12:43; Joel 2:12-17; Acts 16:33).
6. Our children will learn the rhythms of church life.

Questions and thoughts for discussion:

1. Consider: "Many churches today have become obsessed with youth culture, idolizing whatever is new, fresh, and cutting edge, particularly in the area of worship." -Eryn Sun
2. "I see congregations where there is such an attachment to all the entrapments of youth in America and this fundamental belief that we're not going to get old or that we can be both old and young at the same time." -Isaac Wardell
3. How do we receive the kingdom like a child?
4. Why is it that in a culture that idolizes youth, that many children are not allowed in the worship services?
5. What are ways we can break out of single generation worship?
6. What causes us to grow and be stretched in our walk with the Lord? How do we exercise certain areas of our heart?
7. Standing against our culture will always come at a cost. It is easy to do nothing, yet this has enormous consequences down the road (just think of the crisis with our national debt). In what areas has this series on worship challenged your thinking? What does action in that area look like for you?