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"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.

OUR STATEMENT OF FAITH

The Presbyterian Church in America or "The PCA" is a distinctly evangelical denomination in the Reformed tradition. The Bible as the Word of God is the primary standard for our faith. The Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms, although subordinate to the Bible in their authority, set forth our understanding of biblical truth in a consistent, concise, and reliable form.

In the Reformed tradition, there are five key tenets, among others, that we hold to: By Scripture Alone; By Christ Alone; By Grace Alone; By Faith Alone; and To God Alone be the Glory.

- We believe the Bible is the written word of God, inspired by the Holy Spirit and without error in the original manuscripts.
 The Bible is the revelation of God's truth and is infallible and authoritative in all matters of faith and practice.
- We believe in the Holy Trinity. There is one God, who exists eternally in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- We believe that all are sinners and totally unable to save themselves from God's displeasure, except by His mercy.
- We believe that salvation is by God alone as He sovereignly chooses those He will save. We believe His choice is based on His grace, not on any human individual merit, or foreseen faith.
- We believe that Jesus Christ is the eternal Son of God, who through His perfect life and sacrificial death atoned for the sins of all who will trust in Him, alone, for salvation.
- We believe that God is gracious and faithful to His people not simply as individuals but as families in successive generations according to His Covenant promises.
- We believe that the Holy Spirit indwells God's people and gives them the strength and wisdom to trust Christ and follow Him.
- We believe that Jesus will return, bodily and visibly, to judge all mankind and to receive His people to Himself.
- We believe that all aspects of our lives are to be lived to the glory of God under the Lordship of Jesus Christ.



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Displaying God's Glory in a Community of Grace

July 15, 2012

"When Joram saw Jehu he asked, 'Have you come in peace, Jehu?'
'How can there be peace,' Jehu replied, 'as long as all the idolatry
and witchcraft of your mother Jezebel abound?'" 2 Kings 9:22

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

His Calling and Our Praise

*CALL TO WORSHIP: Isaiah 52:7-10

Leader: How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns."

All: The voice of your watchmen-they lift up their voice; together they sing for joy; for eye to eye they see the return of the LORD to Zion.

Leader: Break forth together into singing, you waste places of Jerusalem, for the LORD has comforted his people; he has redeemed Jerusalem.

All: The LORD has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

(*Indicates when to stand)

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

*IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE

– Hymn #38

*A WONDERFUL SAVIOR IS JESUS MY LORD

- Hymn #175

*PRAYER OF PRAISE

*YOUR NAME – words included

As morning dawns and evening fades, you inspire songs of praise that rise from earth to touch your heart and glorify your name.

(Chorus)

Your name is a strong and mighty tower; your name is a shelter like no other; your name, let the nations sing it louder 'cause nothing has the power to save but your name.

Jesus, in your name we pray, come and fill our hearts today.

Lord, give us strength to live for you and glorify your name.

(Chorus 2x)

His Renewal and Our Hope

COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *Proverbs 6:20-21, 14-15* My son, keep your father's commandment, and forsake not your mother's teaching. Bind them on your heart always; tie them around your neck...A wicked man...with perverted heart devises evil, continually sowing discord; therefore calamity will come upon him suddenly; in a moment he will be broken beyond healing.

All: There are six things that the LORD hates, seven that are an abomination to him: A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, a heart that devises wicked plans, feet that run to evil, a false witness who breathes out lies, and one who sows discord among brothers. (Proverbs 6:16-19)

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: Psalm 118:19-21

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD. This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it. I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

*COMMON CONFESSION OF FAITH:

The Apostles' Creed – Hymnal page 845

*JESUS PAID IT ALL – Hymn #308

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)

*TO THE ONLY GOD – words included

To the only God who is able to keep us, able to keep us from falling.

To the only God
be all glory and honor,
majesty and power,
for all ages now and forevermore.

(Repeat)

Forevermore—
be all glory and honor,
majesty and power,
for all ages now and forevermore.
Forevermore.

*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

His Word and Our Response

Sermon: Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.
Sermon Series: Tales from the North
Sermon Title: Jehu–How Can There Be Peace?
Sermon Text: 2 Kings 9-10

*THE STAND – music in pew racks

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 next page.)

PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION

- Elder Steve Thompson

*JESUS MESSIAH - words included

He became sin who knew no sin, that we might become his righteousness. He humbled himself and carried the cross. Love so amazing, love so amazing!

(Chorus)

Jesus Messiah, name above all names; Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel. The rescue for sinners, the ransom from heaven, Jesus Messiah, Lord of all.

His body the bread, his blood the wine, broken and poured out all for love.

The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn.

Love so amazing, love so amazing!

(Chorus)

(Bridge)

All our hope is in you, all our hope is in you.
All the glory to you, God, the Light of the world.

(Chorus)

Jesus Messiah, Lord of all.

*BENEDICTION

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL OR REGIONAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR:

Salvation Army, Kalispell, Major Steven Svenson.

MISSION PROJECT OR MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR:

David & Ulrike Byle and their 5 children, missionaries to Istanbul, Turkey. (They are currently in the United States and will be at Faith Covenant next Sunday, July 22.)

HURRY! THE KING IS COMING! PRE-REGISTER TODAY!

Our Vacation Bible School welcomes ages 3 yrs old to those entering 5th grade. Invite your friends and neighbors! Join us on Monday, July 23 thru Thursday, July 26 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. for a program showing God pursuing a relationship with his people through all of Scripture. Registration forms can be found on tables in the foyer and the Fellowship Hall. Volunteers are still needed. If you will help, please contact Co-Directors Donelle Holderbaum 212-9715 or Joni Jenks 257-3560.

MADAGASCAR SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERING REMINDER:

There is a container on the window sill in the foyer for your Clarisse and Andry offerings. Offerings may also be put in the offerings bags, please make a note designating them to Madagascar.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR GUITAR PLAYERS who would like to join our music team for Sunday morning worship. Contact Joyce Schmautz at 756-6325 if interested.

GENERAL OFFERING SUMMARY THRU JUNE 30: Targeted Budget = \$118,250.94; Offerings received = \$122,602.16

WE ARE IN NEED OF 2–3 MORE VOLUNTEERS to help run our Sound System on Sunday mornings. No experience is necessary—you will be trained and put on a rotating schedule with other volunteers. Please contact the church office if you can help or for more information.

FAITH COVENANT HAS A SOFTBALL TEAM and is looking for players. If you would like to play softball this summer, contact Matt King at 260-6381 or Terry Falk at 270-1308.

COMMUNITY KITCHEN–FEEDING THE FLATHEAD: Those of you who are volunteering with Feed the Flathead will serve next month on **Thursday, August 9** at *Central Christian Church*. If you have questions, contact Sharon Thompson or Joyce Schmautz.

A CANCER AND CHRONIC ILLNESS SUPPORT GROUP for caregivers, survivors and those in treatment now meets at Faith

Covenant on the 4th Tuesday of each month from 5:00 p.m–6:30 p.m. to pray together and share our faith in the midst of turmoil. Facilitators are Joyce Schmautz and Cyndi Heath.

SOUND THE TRUMPETS>>>
The King is Coming

Mon. July 23 - Thurs. July 26

Many volunteers are needed!!! Contact Joni Jenks (257-3560) or Donelle Holderbaum (212-9715) if

you would like to help!

FLATHEAD FOOD BANK'S Thrift Store **ITEMS OF THE MONTH:** Maternity clothes and adult plus size clothing. They accept donations Tuesday-Saturdays from 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. **FOODS OF THE MONTH:** Rice, spaghetti sauce, macaroni & cheese may be dropped at the food bank, 1203 Hwy 2 W., Ste. 2 in Kalispell or left in the containers in the church kitchen.

JULY MINISTRIES

DEACON OF THE MONTH	Doug Brown
NURSERY M.O.M. (Mom of the Month)	
NURSERY COORDINATOR	Darcy Hearn
Direct Nursery questions, concerns, praises, et	c., to Darcy at 471-9770.

TODAY

USHERS/GREETERS	Vern & Carol Stewart
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	Tamie & Kathryn Jentz
WORSHIP NURSERY (infants)	Motleys
WORSHIP NURSERY (toddlers thru 3yrs).	Nick Hanson
FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTSCathy	Hanson & Leah Wiersma
COMMUNION PREP	Donelle Holderbaum
COMMUNION CLEAN-UP	Lori Vander Ark

NEXT SUNDAY – JULY 22

USHERS/GREETERS	Vern & Carol Stewart
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	. Dar Wassink & Annalise Pierson
WORSHIP NURSERY (infants)	Ellen Rowe & Annalise Pierson
WORSHIP NURSERY (toddlers th	ru 3yrs)Lancasters
FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS	Jenaé Schmautz & Aimee Uzzi
COMMUNION PREP	Dar Wassink
COMMUNION CLEAN-UP	Benni Tulloch
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CALENDAR

TODAY

9:30 a.m. – WORSHIP SERVICE 10:45 a.m. – Coffee Hour & Fellowship

11:15 a.m. - Just Looking class

THIS WEEK

Tuesday – Elder/Deacon meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday – Men's Prayer Breakfast, 6:45 a.m. in the

Fellowship Hall

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, July 22 – Just Looking class, 11:15-12:00 noon

- Visiting missionary presentation

Mon-Thurs, July 23-26 – Vacation Bible School, 6:00-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 24 – Cancer & chronic illness support group,

5:00 p.m.

Sunday, July 29 – Just Looking class, 11:15-12:00 noon

- Prayer & Worship Service, 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, August 7 — Trustees meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, August 9 — Community Kitchen: Feeding the Flathead

Tuesday, August 21 – Elder/Deacon meeting, 7:00 p.m. – Prayer & Worship Service, 6:00 p.m.

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.

SERMON OUTLINE July 15, 2012

Sermon: Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D. Sermon Series: Tales from the North Sermon Title: *Jehu–How Can There Be Peace?* Sermon Text: 2 Kings 9-10

I. Half full-a zealous pursuit

II. Half empty- falling short

SERMON TEXT: 2 Kings 9-10 (ESV)

2 KINGS 10:28-36

28 Thus Jehu wiped out Baal from Israel. 29 But Jehu did not turn aside from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which he made Israel to sin-that is, the golden calves that were in Bethel and in Dan. 30 And the LORD said to Jehu, "Because you have done well in carrying out what is right in my eyes, and have done to the house of Ahab according to all that was in my heart, your sons of the fourth generation shall sit on the throne of Israel." 31 But Jehu was not careful to walk in the law of the LORD, the God of Israel, with all his heart. He did not turn from the sins of Jeroboam, which he made Israel to sin. 32 In those days the LORD began to cut off parts of Israel. Hazael defeated them throughout the territory of Israel: 33 from the Jordan eastward, all the land of Gilead, the Gadites, and the Reubenites, and the Manassites, from Aroer, which is by the Valley of the Arnon, that is, Gilead and Bashan. 34 Now the rest of the acts of Jehu and all that he did, and all his might, are they not written in the Book of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel? 35 So Jehu slept with his fathers, and they buried him in Samaria. And Jehoahaz his son reigned in his place. ³⁶ The time that Jehu reigned over Israel in Samaria was twenty-eight years.

Questions and thoughts for discussion:

- 1. Considered by some to be the most violent portions of Scripture, these two chapters cause us to wonder just how Jehu can be commended for his role in bringing about God's words of judgment. Does Jehu get a 100% endorsement?
- 2. In some ways, Jehu is presented as a Christlike figure. He is anointed to deliver his people, zeal consumes him, he atones for Israel's sin of idolatry through blood. Yet when we consider the larger question of 'peace' of 'shalom,' how does his approach differ from Jesus? In what way do these chapters instruct us about Jesus?
- 3. Looking at Hosea 1:4-5, the word 'punish' would be better translated as 'visited upon.' OT scholar D.A. Garrett says that the problem was Jehu and his house failed to learn the lesson of what took place at Jezreel.
- 4. What is Jehu's overall assessment in 2 Kings 10:28-36?
- 5. How does this text speak to us about the Lord's view of injustice? Is peace possible without the violence of judgment?
- 6. Consider: "To treat sin as if it were not there, when in fact it is there, amounts to living as if the world were redeemed when in fact it is not."—Miroslav Volf
- 7. How does the ambiguity of Jehu come to us as a warning in our own lives?