

FAITH   
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*Spreading A Love for God and His Glory*

*March 6, 2022*

*“For though you have countless guides in Christ,  
you do not have many fathers.  
For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the gospel.  
I urge you, then, be imitators of me.”  
1 Corinthians 4:15*

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Our worship is  
a response to  
God's initiative.  
The pattern of  
our worship  
reflects the  
gospel.*

### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 9:9-11**

Leader: The LORD is a refuge for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble. Those who know your name trust in you, for you, LORD, have never forsaken those who seek you. Sing the praises of the LORD, enthroned in Zion; proclaim among the nations what he has done.

### **\*ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS NAME! - Hymn #296 vs. 1, 3, 5-6**

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;  
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!  
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!

Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, ye ransomed of the fall,  
Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!  
Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball,  
To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!  
To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

Oh, that with yonder sacred throng, we at his feet may fall!  
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all!  
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all!

**\*PRAYER OF PRAISE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father, who art in heaven  
Hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done  
On earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts  
As we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory forever.  
Amen.

**God Calls Us**

The Lord summons his people to worship and we respond in obedience. The Lord's call is a call to action. We gather, praise, adore, give thanks, etc. The Call to Worship is a joyful summons and a clear reminder that worship is our coming into God's presence by his command, and not our command that He come into our presence.

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when to stand.  
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**\*ONLY A HOLY GOD**

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven  
Who else could make every king bow down  
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles  
Only a Holy God

What other beauty demands such praises  
What other splendor outshines the sun  
What other majesty rules with justice  
Only a Holy God

*(Chorus)*

*Come and behold Him, the One and the Only  
Cry out sing holy, forever a Holy God, come and worship the Holy God*

What other glory consumes like fire  
What other power can raise the dead  
What other name remains undefeated  
Only a Holy God

*(Chorus)*

Who else could rescue me from my failing  
Who else would offer His only Son  
Who else invites me to call Him Father  
Only a Holy God, only my Holy God  
*(Chorus 2x)*

## COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

### SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *Acts 3:19-20*

Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus.

**All:** Gracious Father, we confess that we have desired too much for the comforts of the world, that we have loved the gifts more than the Giver. In your mercy, help us to see that we strive after shadows, but that you are the substance. We ask that you would blot out our sins; that you would receive Christ's worthiness for our unworthiness; his righteousness for our dead works, his glory for our shame. We pray in Jesus name. Amen.

## SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

### DECLARATION OF GRACE: *Acts 4:11-12*

This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.

### **God Cleanses Us**

The biblical response to God's call to be in his presence is confessing our sins. We humble ourselves when we approach our God. This is a corporate prayer of all God's people. It is a great privilege of the gospel that we can stand forgiven before the Lord of glory.

**\*MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING LESS - Hymn # 521**

My hope is built on nothing less, than Jesus' blood and righteousness  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name

*(Chorus)*

*On Christ the solid rock I stand; all other ground is sinking sand  
All other ground is sinking sand*

When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace  
In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.

*(Chorus)*

His oath, his covenant, his blood, support me in the whelming flood  
When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.

*(Chorus)*

When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found  
Dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne

*(Chorus 2x)*

**OFFERTORY & RESPONSE**

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

*Children ages 4-6 excused for Children's Church 8:15 & 11 a.m. services (downstairs Corner Classroom)*

## I SHALL NOT WANT

From the love of my own comfort  
From the fear of having nothing  
From a life of worldly passions  
Deliver me O God

From the need to be understood  
And from a need to be accepted  
From the fear of being lonely  
Deliver me O God, deliver me O God

And I shall not want, no, I shall not want  
When I taste Your goodness, I shall not want  
When I taste Your goodness, I shall not want

From the fear of serving others  
And from the fear of death and trial  
And from the fear of humility  
Deliver me O God, deliver me O God

And I shall not want, no, I shall not want  
When I taste Your goodness, I shall not want  
And I shall not want, no, I shall not want  
*When I taste Your goodness, I shall not want*

### **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: 1 Corinthians — Living in the Mess*  
Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.  
*Who Do You Imitate? — 1 Corinthians 4:7-21 (ESV)*

<sup>7</sup> For who sees anything different in you? What do you have that you did not receive? If then you received it, why do you boast as if you did not receive it?

<sup>8</sup> Already you have all you want! Already you have become rich! Without us you have become kings! And would that you did reign, so that we might share the rule with you! <sup>9</sup> For I think that God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death, because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels, and to men. <sup>10</sup> We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. <sup>11</sup> To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are poorly dressed and buffeted and homeless, <sup>12</sup> and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; <sup>13</sup> when slandered, we entreat. We have become, and are still, like the scum of the world, the refuse of all things.

<sup>14</sup> I do not write these things to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. <sup>15</sup> For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the gospel. <sup>16</sup> I urge you, then, be imitators of me. <sup>17</sup> That is why I sent you Timothy, my beloved and faithful child in the Lord, to remind you of my ways in Christ, as I teach them everywhere in every church. <sup>18</sup> Some are arrogant, as though I were not coming to you. <sup>19</sup> But I will come to you soon, if the Lord wills, and I will find out not the talk of these arrogant people but their power. <sup>20</sup> For the kingdom of God does not consist in talk but in power. <sup>21</sup> What do you wish? Shall I come to you with a rod, or with love in a spirit of gentleness?

## Sermon Outline

### I. The Cost of Discipleship

*continued above*

## II. The Consistency of Discipleship

**God  
Consecrates Us**  
Consecrate means to make holy, to set apart. The Word of God does that for the lives of believers. Through the sermon, confessions of faith, and the offering we are sanctified for service to our Lord to joyfully offer up our lives to him.

### Sermon Questions

1. We are called to sacrifice our “rights” in following Jesus. Where is this particularly hard for you right now?
2. The Corinthians are being strongly warned because they are walking into danger. How does Paul warn them and what are the dangers?
3. What are dangers of divisiveness that we need to be on our guard about today?
4. What does it mean for us to boast in our weakness? What might be a personal cost to you in doing this?

### Children’s Question

*Who are people that you would like to be like because of their love for Jesus?  
How can you encourage others in following the Lord?*

**\*YET NOT I BUT THROUGH CHRIST IN ME**

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer  
There is no more for heaven now to give  
He is my joy my righteousness and freedom  
My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace  
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus  
For my life is wholly bound to his  
Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine  
Yet not I but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken  
For by my side the Savior he will stay  
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing  
For in my need his power is displayed  
To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me  
Through the deepest valley he will lead  
Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome  
Yet not I but through Christ in me

No fate I dread I know I am forgiven  
The future sure the price it has been paid  
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon  
And he was raised to overthrow the grave  
To this I hold my sin has been defeated  
Jesus now and ever is my plea  
Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free  
Yet not I but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus  
For he has said that he will bring me home  
And day by day I know he will renew me  
Until I stand with joy before the throne  
*To this I hold my hope is only Jesus, all the glory evermore to him*  
*When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat*  
*Yet not I but through Christ in me*

**God Communes  
with Us**

The Lord  
strengthens and  
nourishes our  
faith through a  
sacramental  
meal. Through  
Jesus, commun-  
ion with God  
has been  
reestablished.  
The covenant  
has been  
renewed. The  
Lord's Supper is  
the gospel  
made visible for  
us and we share  
in it as the full  
community  
of God's  
people.

## 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

*8:15 Elder Tom Jentz — 11 Elder Micah Tinkham*

#### \*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Our Father we give you thanks and praise  
that when we were still far off  
you met us in your Son and brought us home

Dying and living, declaring your love,  
He gave His grace and opened the gates of glory to us

*(Chorus)*

*So may we who share in Christ's body live his risen life  
We who drink His cup bring life to others  
We whom the Spirit lights bring light to the world*

Keep us firm in the hope that You've set before us  
so we and all Your children shall be free (2x)

*(Chorus 2x)*

#### \*BENEDICTION

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

#### **God Commissions Us**

Having been richly blessed by the Lord in our worship, we are sent forth as his ambassadors of reconciliation into the world. Our worship of God as his people now extends into our lives throughout the week. We are to offer ourselves as living sacrifices to him in all areas of our lives.

#### Leaders & Staff

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

*Youth/Refuge Director: Asst. Pastor Ben Melli Music Director/Assistant: Lisa Iddings/Laura Sackett*

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**LOCAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR:** All Souls PCA Missoula, Pastor Austin Britton  
**MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR:** Jim & Jill Hadlock with CRU Jesus Film Project  
**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME - SPRING AHEAD MARCH 13!** Remember to turn your clocks ahead one hour for Sunday morning, March 13.

**SMALL GROUPS:** New groups have been organized and there are still open spots. Check out the groups, times and dates in the foyer and contact the leader if you would like to join one.

**VESPERS SERVICE:** Join us for Vespers Sunday, March 13, at 6:30 p.m. Come unplug and recharge with this evening service of prayer and song.

**COMMUNITY KITCHEN-FEEDING THE FLATHEAD:** Those of you who are volunteering with Feed the Flathead will serve next on Thursday, March 10, at Central Christian. Contact Dawn Tinkham for details (406-471-0656).

**ONLINE GIVING:** You may give your offerings through the church website at [www.faithcov.com](http://www.faithcov.com). Click on the "launch secure giving" button near the bottom and follow the directions. Contact the office (752-2400) if you have questions.

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**SERVING:** March Deacon – Ryan Peteresen

**Today (1st service/2nd service)**

Ushers: Peters/Johnsons  
Children's Church: T & T Jentz/Tim Anderson  
Nursery: S. Thompson  
Fellowship Hosts: Laura Moody & Traci Carroll  
Communion Prep/Cleanup: Fenners/Theresa Paolini

**Next Sunday March 13**

Ushers: Peters/Johnsons  
Children's Church: T & T Jentz/Tim Anderson  
Nursery: Falks  
Fellowship Hosts: Judy Fosbery & Paula Saldamando  
Communion Prep/Cleanup: Fosberys/Benni Tulloch

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**WEEKLY/MONTHLY**

**Sunday Worship Services**

8:15 & 11 am, 6:30 pm

**Sunday School**

Sept.-May 10 am

**Elder/Deacon Meeting**

3rd Tuesdays 7 pm

**Wednesdays**

Men's Breakfast 6:30 am

Women's Bible Study 9:30, 12:45, 4:30

Jr High Youth @ 5 pm

Sr. High Youth @ 6:30 pm

Career Group 7 pm

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