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Gospel Centered
CHRIST EXALTING

The Lord's Day
April 13, 2025

Covenant's Mission Statement

"To build a faithful community of joyful disciples."

Covenant's Values

Covenant is **biblical** by affirming the Bible as the authoritative Word of God,
connectional by affiliating with the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA),
confessional by adhering to the Westminster Standards,
missional by seeking to spread the Gospel worldwide, and
relational by encouraging the church family to build community.

*"They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world.
Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth."
John 17:16-17*

Prelude

**During the prelude selection, prepare for worship
by reflecting on John 17:16-17 printed above.**

Hymn

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

All glory, laud, and honor to Thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!
Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed One!

The people of the Hebrews with palms before Thee went;
our praise and prayer and anthems before Thee we present:
to Thee, before Thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise;
to Thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,
Who in all good delightest, Thou good and gracious King!
All glory, laud, and honor to Thee, Redeemer, King,
to Whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!

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Choral Introit

"This Is Jesus"

Lay your coats before Him, wave the palms and adore Him,
blessed is He who comes.
Shout to the Lord, Hosanna, in the highest, Hosanna!
Blessed is He who comes.
This is Jesus, Song of David, blessed be the King.
This is Jesus, Song of David, blessed is the Kingdom He will bring!
Lay your coats before Him, wave the palms and adore Him,
blessed is He who comes.
Shout to the Lord, Hosanna, in the highest, Hosanna!
Blessed is He who comes.
Lift your praise with a mighty shout!
If we are quiet, the stones themselves will cry out.
Lift your praise to heaven - This is Jesus!

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Life of the Church

Call to Worship

Luke 1:32-33

*[32] He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High.
And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David,*

*[33] and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever,
and of his kingdom there will be no end.*

Invocation

Hymn

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to His feet your tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who, like me His praise should sing?
Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise the everlasting King.

Praise Him for His grace and favor to our fathers in distress;
praise Him, still the same forever, slow to chide, and swift to bless;
praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, glorious in His faithfulness.

Father-like He tends and spares us; well our feeble frame He knows;
in His hands He gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes;
praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, widely as His mercy goes.

Frail as summer's flow'r we flourish, blows the wind and it is gone;
but while mortals rise and perish, God endures unchanging on.
Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise the High Eternal One.

Angels, help us to adore Him; you behold Him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before Him, dwellers all in time and space,
praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise with us the God of grace.

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Scripture Reading

Psalms 119:1-24

Richard Long, Ruling Elder

Congregational Prayer

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Offertory and Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Presentation of the Offering

Bob Davis, Deacon

Corporate Profession of Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism Question 26

How doth Christ execute the office of a king?

Christ executeth the office of a king, in subduing us to himself, in ruling and defending us,
and in restraining and conquering all his and our enemies.

Hymn

"My Worth Is Not in What I Own"

My worth is not in what I own; not in the strength of flesh and bone.
But in the costly wounds of love at the cross.
My worth is not in skill or name; in win or lose, in pride or shame.
But in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross.

refrain: *I rejoice in my Redeemer, Greatest Treasure, Wellspring of my soul.
I will trust in Him, no other; my soul is satisfied in Him alone.*

As summer flowers we fade and die: fame, youth and beauty hurry by.
But life eternal calls to us at the cross.
I will not boast in wealth or might, or human wisdom's fleeting light.
But I will boast in knowing Christ at the cross.

refrain

Two wonders here that I confess; my worth and my unworthiness.
My value fixed – my ransom paid at the cross.

refrain

Corporate Confession of Sin

Dear Father, we are thankful for Your great mercy.
Forgive our frivolous attitude toward life,
our callousness toward suffering,
our envy of those who have more than we have,
our obsession with creating a life of constant pleasure,
our indifference to the treasures of heaven,
our neglect of Your wise and gracious law.
Help us change our way of life so that we may desire what is good,
love what You love, and do what You command.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Individual Prayer of Confession (Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 44:21-22

*[21] Remember these things, O Jacob, and Israel, for you are my servant;
I formed you; you are my servant; O Israel, you will not be forgotten by me.
[22] I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud and your sins like mist;
return to me, for I have redeemed you.*

Hymn

“Christ, the Sure and Steady Anchor”

Christ the sure and steady anchor in the fury of the storm,
when the winds of doubt blow through me and my sails have all been torn.
In the suffering, in the sorrow, when my sinking hopes are few,
I will hold fast to the anchor; it shall never be removed.

Christ the sure and steady anchor while the tempest rages on,
when temptation claims the battle and it seems the night has won.
Deeper still, then goes the anchor, though I justly stand accused.
I will hold fast to the anchor; it shall never be removed.

Christ the sure and steady anchor through the floods of unbelief.
Hopeless, somehow, O my soul, now lift your eyes to Calvary.
This my ballast of assurance- see His love forever proved.
All my hope is in the anchor; it shall never be removed.

Christ the sure and steady anchor as we face the wave of death,
when these trials give way to glory, as we draw our final breath.
We will cross that great horizon, clouds behind, and life secured.
And the calm will be the better for the storms that we endure.

Christ the shore of our salvation, ever faithful, ever true.
We will hold fast to the anchor, it shall never be removed.

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Scripture Reading

1 John 2:12-17

Sermon

“The Church in the World”

Pastor Coyle

Hymn

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
our helper He amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
his craft and pow'r are great; and armed with cruel hate,
on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing;
were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He,
Lord Sabaoth His name, from age to age the same,
and He must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,
we will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us.
The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
his rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure;
one little word shall fell him.

That Word above all earthly pow'rs, no thanks to them, abideth;
the Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him who with us sideth;
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still;
His kingdom is for ever.

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Scriptural Benediction

Postlude

Sermon Outline
"The Church in the World"
1 John 2:12-17

I. The Truth about the Church (v.12-14)

II. The Truth about the World (v.15-17)

1. Which blessing that John lists is one for you to meditate on or consider?
2. How might you encourage another believer with John's words in vv.12-14?
3. What things of/in the world are you tempted to love?
4. How does this passage aid our assurance of eternal life (the theme of this letter)?

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