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Gospel Centered
CHRIST EXALTING

The Lord's Day
August 3, 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.

*“Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!
Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he.”
Zechariah 9:9*

Prelude

**During the prelude selection, prepare for worship
by reflecting on Zechariah 9:9 printed above.**

Life of the Church

Call to Worship

Psalm 145:1-7

[1] I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever. [2] Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever. [3] Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable. [4] One generation shall commend your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts. [5] On the glorious splendor of your majesty, and on your wondrous works, I will meditate. [6] They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds, and I will declare your greatness. [7] They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant goodness and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.

Invocation 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, for ever. Amen.

Hymn

“The Lord God Reigns in Majesty (Psalm 99)”

The Lord God reigns in majesty; let all the nations quake.
He dwells between the cherubim; let earth's foundations shake.
Supreme in Zion is the Lord, exalted gloriously.
All nations, praise His name with awe: the Holy One is He.

The mighty King loves justice well, and equity ordains;
He rules His people righteously and faithfulness maintains.
O magnify the Lord our God, let Him exalted be;
in worship at His footstool bow: the Holy One is He.

When priests and prophets called on God, He their petitions heard.
His cloudy pillar led them on, and they obeyed His word.
Tho' sending judgments for their sins, He pardoned graciously.
Exalt the Lord and worship Him: the Holy One is He.

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Scripture Reading

Matthew 3:11-17

Ken Knecht, Ruling Elder

Congregational Prayer

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Offertory and Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Presentation of the Offering

Jeff Rooker, Deacon

Corporate Profession of Faith

Westminster Larger Catechism Question 42

Why was our Mediator called Christ?

Our Mediator was called Christ, because he was anointed with the Holy Ghost above measure; and so set apart, and fully furnished with all authority and ability, to execute the offices of prophet, priest, and king of his church, in the estate both of his humiliation and exaltation.

Hymn

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Come, Thou fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;
praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by Thy help I'm come;
and I hope, by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God:
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;
let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to Thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.

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Scripture Reading

1 Samuel 9:25-10:27

Sermon

"A King is Chosen"

Pastor Coyle

The Sacrament of The Lord's Supper

Hymn

“At The Lamb's High Feast We Sing”

At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our victorious King,
Who hath washed us in the tide flowing from His pierced side;
praise we Him whose love divine gives His sacred blood for wine,
gives His body for the feast, Christ the Victim, Christ the Priest.

Where the paschal blood is poured, death's dark angel sheathes his sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go through the wave that drowns the foe.
Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Paschal Victim, Paschal Bread;
with sincerity and love eat we manna from above.

Mighty Victim from the sky, pow'rs of hell beneath Thee lie;
death is conquered in the fight, Thou hast brought us life and light:
hymns of glory and of praise, Risen Lord, to Thee we raise;
Holy Father, praise to Thee, with the Spirit, ever be.

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Invitation to The Lord's Supper

Corporate Confession of Sin

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry,
too real to hide, and too deep to undo.
Forgive what our lips tremble to name,
what our hearts can no longer bear,
and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment.
Set us free from a past that we cannot change;
open to us a future in which we can be changed;
and grant us grace to grow more and more in Your likeness and image,
through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

Individual Prayer of Confession (Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

Acts 10:43

[43] To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Prayer of Blessing

Distribution of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need Thy tender care;
in Thy pleasant pastures feed us, for our use Thy folds prepare:
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast bought us, Thine we are;
blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.

We are Thine; do Thou befriend us, be the guardian of our way;
keep Thy flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray:
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! hear, O hear us when we pray;
blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! hear, O hear us when we pray.

Thou hast promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be;
Thou hast mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse and pow'r to free:
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! let us early turn to Thee;
blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! let us early turn to Thee.

Early let us seek Thy favor; early let us do Thy will;
Blessed Lord and only Savior, with Thy love our bosoms fill:
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast loved us, love us still;
blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast loved us, love us still.

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Scriptural Benediction

Postlude

Sermon Outline
"A King is Chosen"
1 Samuel 9:25-10:27

I. A private anointing (9:25-10:13)

II. A passive reluctance (10:14-16)

III. A public installation (10:17-27)

1. How has God revealed His kindness to you in the midst of your own doubts and uncertainties?
2. Where might you, like Saul, lack faith to do what God has called and equipped you to do?
3. How does Saul point the people of God to our need of and provision in Christ?

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