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CHRIST EXALTING

The Lord's Day
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Covenant's Mission Statement
Covenant seeks to glorify God by
Establishing Disciples biblically,
Engaging Culture redemptively,
Expanding Christ's Church faithfully.

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 families to build community.

*“For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb.
I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.
Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well.”*

Psalm 139:13-14

Prelude

**During the prelude selection, prepare for worship
by reflecting on Psalm 139:13-14 printed above.**

Life of the Church

Call to Worship

Psalm 8

¹ O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. ² Out of the mouth of babies and infants, you have established strength because of your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger. ³ When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, ⁴ what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him? ⁵ Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor. ⁶ You have given him dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under his feet, ⁷ all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, ⁸ the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas. ⁹ O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Invocation

Hymn

“Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah”

(sheet music pg. 8)

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul, Jehovah praise;
I will sing the glor'ous praises, of my God thru all my days.
Put no confidence in princes, nor for help on man depend;
He shall die, to dust returning, and his purposes shall end.

Happy is the man that chooses Israel's God to be his aid;
He is blest whose hope of blessing on the Lord his God has stayed.
Heav'n and earth the Lord created, seas and all that they contain;
He delivers from oppression, righteousness He will maintain.

Food He daily gives the hungry, sets the mourning pris'ner free,
Raises those bowed down with anguish, makes the sightless eyes to see.
Well Jehovah loves the righteous, and the stranger He befriends,
Helps the fatherless and widow, judgment on the wicked sends.

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul, Jehovah praise;
I will sing the glor'ous praises of my God thru all my days.
Over all God reigns forever, thru all ages He is King;
Unto Him, thy God, O Zion, joyful hallelujahs sing.

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The Sacrament of Baptism

Harper Rae Guenther
Covenant daughter of Jason and Makenzie Guenther

Hymn

"It Is Well with My Soul"

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll;
whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,
"It is well, it is well with my soul."

refrain: *It is well with my soul;
it is well, it is well with my soul.*

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
let this blest assurance control,
that Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
and has shed His own blood for my soul.

refrain

My sin - O the bliss of this glorious thought! -
my sin, not in part, but the whole,
is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more;
praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

refrain

O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend;
"Even so" - it is well with my soul.

refrain

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Scripture Reading

Psalm 139:1-18

Kevin Breniman, Ruling Elder

¹ O LORD, you have searched me and known me!

² You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

³ You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways.

⁴ Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O LORD, you know it altogether.

⁵ You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

⁶ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot attain it.

⁷ Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence?

⁸ If I ascend to heaven, you are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there!

*⁹ If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
¹⁰ even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me.
¹¹ If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light about me be night,"
¹² even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is bright as the day, for
darkness is as light with you.
¹³ For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's
womb.
¹⁴ I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your
works; my soul knows it very well.
¹⁵ My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret,
intricately woven in the depths of the earth.
¹⁶ Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every
one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was
none of them.
¹⁷ How precious to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!
¹⁸ If I would count them, they are more than the sand. I awake, and I am still
with you.*

Congregational Prayer

Kevin Breniman, Ruling Elder

Corporate Profession of Faith

Colossians 1:15-20

*¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.
¹⁶ For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible
and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities -
all things were created through him and for him.
¹⁷ And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.
¹⁸ And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning,
the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent.
¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,
²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or
in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Bob Davis, Deacon

Hymn

“How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds”
(stanzas 1-3)

How sweet the Name of Jesus sounds
in a believer's ear!
It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds,
and drives away his fear.

It makes the wounded spirit whole,
and calms the troubled breast;
'tis manna to the hungry soul,
and to the weary rest.

Dear Name! the Rock on which I build,
my Shield and hiding place,
my never-failing treasury filled
with boundless stores of grace.

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Corporate Confession of Sin

Almighty Father, God of gods and Lord of lords,
Father to the fatherless, Husband to the widow,
Defender of the helpless, Judge of all the earth,
have mercy on us.
We have not sought freedom for the oppressed,
even though You freed us.
We have not bound up the broken
even though You healed us.
We have not forgiven others
even though You forgave us.
We withhold kindness from the needy
even though You freely gave us Your own Son.
We are without excuse, but not without hope.
By Your power and grace, account our sins to Jesus'
bloody death and amend our ways by the power of
His glorious resurrection. Amen.

Individual Prayer and Meditation (Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 32:5

I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,” and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Hymn

“How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds”
(stanzas 4-6)

Jesus, my Shepherd, Brother, Friend,
my Prophet, Priest, and King,
my Lord, my Life, my Way, my End,
accept the praise I bring.

Weak is the effort of my heart,
and cold my warmest thought;
but when I see Thee as Thou art,
I'll praise Thee as I ought.

Till then I would Thy love proclaim
with every fleeting breath;
and may the music of Thy Name
refresh my soul in death.

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Sermon

“The Sanctity of the Life of the Unborn”

Pastor Reed

Hymn

“O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus”

(sheet music pgs. 9-11)

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! vast, unmeasured, boundless free;
rolling as a mighty ocean, it its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me, is the current of Your love;
leading onward, leading homeward, to Your glorious rest above.
O the deep, deep love, all I need and trust, is the deep, deep love of Jesus.

Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus! spread His praise from shore to shore;
how He came to pay our ransom through the saving cross He bore.
How He watches o'er His loved ones those He died to make His own;
how for them He's interceding, pleading now before the throne.
Oh the deep, deep love all I need and trust is the deep, deep love of Jesus

Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus far surpassing all the rest;
it's an ocean full of blessing in the midst of every test.
Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus Mighty Savior, precious Friend;
You will bring us home to glory where Your love will never end.
Oh the deep, deep love all I need and trust is the deep, deep love of Jesus.
Oh the deep, deep love, all I need and trust is the deep, deep love of Jesus.

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Scriptural Benediction

Postlude

Sermon Outline

“The Sanctity of Life of the Unborn”

I. God created and sustains life.

II. God created man in His image.

III. God has a special purpose and design for each individual.

"Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah"



1. Hal - le - lu - jah, praise Je - ho - vah, O my soul, Je -
 2. Hap - py is the man that choos - es Is - rael's God to
 3. Food He dai - ly gives the hun - gry, Sets the mourn - ing
 4. Hal - le - lu - jah, praise Je - ho - vah, O my soul, Je -



ho - vah praise; I will sing the glor' - ous prais - es, Of my God thru
 be his aid; He is blest whose hope of bless - ing On the Lord his
 pris 'ner free, Rais - es those bowed down with an - guish, Makes the sight - less
 ho - vah praise; I will sing the glor' - ous prais - es, Of my God thru



all my days. Put no con - fi - dence in princ - es, Nor for help on
 God is stayed. Heav'n and earth the Lord cre - a - ted, Seas and all that
 eyes to see. Well Je - ho - vah loves the right - eous, And the stran - ger
 all my days. O - ver all God reigns for - ev - er, Thru all ag - es



man de - pend; He shall die, to dust re - turn - ing,
 they con - tain; He de - liv - ers from op - press - ion,
 He be - friends, Helps the fa - ther - less and wid - ow,
 He is King; Un - to Him, thy God, O Zi - on,



And his pur - pos - es shall end.
 Right - eous - ness He will main - tain.
 Judg - ment on the wick - ed sends.
 Joy - ful hal - le - lu - jahs sing.

OH THE DEEP, DEEP LOVE

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Original words by Samuel Trevor Francis (1834-1925)
 Music, chorus, and alternate words by Bob Kauffin

♩ = 73

Dsus4 D D2 D Dsus4/B Bm7 G2

5 **VERSE**

G2 Dsus4 D D2 D

1. Oh the deep, deep love of Je - sus, vast un -
 (2.) deep, deep love of Je - sus, spread His

8 F#m7 G2 Dsus4 D

mea - sured, bound - less, free, roll - ing as a might - y
 praise from shore to shore, how He came to pay our

11 D2 D Em7 A/E D

o - cean in its full - ness o - ver me, un - der -
 ran - som through the sa - ving cross He bore; how He

14 A/C# (Em) Bm G2

neath me, all a - round me is the cur - rent of Your_
 watch - es o'er His loved ones, those He died to make His_

17 D A/C# (Em) G2

love, lead - ing on - ward, lead - ing home - ward to Your
 own, how for them He's in - ter - ce - ding, plead - ing

20 Em7 A/C# Bm A

glo - rious rest a - bove. Oh the
now be - fore the throne.

23 **CHORUS** A/C# Bm G2

deep, deep love, all I need and

26 D Em G2

trust is the deep, deep love of

29 1. Dsus4 D D2 D Dsus4/B Bm7 G2

Je - sus. Oh the

33 2. Dsus4 D D2 D **CHORUS** A/C# Bm

Je - sus. O the deep, deep love, all I

37 G2 D Em G2

need and trust is the deep, deep love of

41 **TURN** Dsus4 D D2 D Dsus4/B Bm7

Je - sus.

44 G2 Dsus4 D D2 D Dsus4/B Bm7 G2

3. Oh the

VERSE 3

49 Dsus4 D D2 D D2 G/D

deep, deep love of Je - sus, far sur - pass - ing all the rest, it's an

53 Dsus4 D D2 D Em7/D D

o - cean full of bless-ing in the midst of ev - ery test. Oh the

57 A/C# Bm G D

deep, deep love of Je - sus, might-y Sa - viour, pre-cious friend, You will

61 A/C# Em G Em7 A/C# Bm A

bring us home to glo - ry, where Your love will nev - er end. Oh the

CHORUS

66 A/C# Bm G2 D Em

deep, deep love, all I need and trust is the deep, deep

71 G2 Dsus4 D D2 D D

love of Je - sus. O the

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