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Gospel Centered
CHRIST EXALTING

The Lord's Day
January 22, 2023

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 families to build community.

*“I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God,
to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God,
which is your spiritual worship.”*

Romans 12:1

Prelude

During the prelude selection, prepare for worship by reflecting on Romans 12:1 printed above.

Life of the Church

Deeper Still Arkansas Ministry Report

Susanne Lewis

Call to Worship

Romans 12:1-2

*¹ I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God,
to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable
to God, which is your spiritual worship.*

*² Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the
renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the
will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.*

Invocation

Hymn

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!”

All hail the power 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.

Crown Him, ye martyrs of your God, who from His altar call;
extol the Stem of Jesse’s rod, and crown Him Lord of all;
extol the Stem of Jesse’s rod, 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.

Sinners, whose love can ne’er forget the wormwood and the gall,
go, spread your trophies at His feet, and crown Him Lord of all;
go, spread your trophies at His feet, and crown Him Lord of all.

Let ev’ry kindred, ev’ry 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.

O 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.

Hymn

“To God Be the Glory”

To God be the glory, great things He has done!
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
and opened the life gate that we may go in.

refrain: *Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the earth hear His voice!*

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the people rejoice!*

*O come to the Father thro’ Jesus the Son,
and give Him the glory, great things He has done!*

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!
To ev’ry believer the promise of God;
the vilest offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus forgiveness receives.

refrain

Great things He has taught us, great things He has done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
but purer and higher and greater will be
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

refrain

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Scripture Reading

Hosea 14:1-9

Jason Van Goor, Ruling Elder

¹ *Return, O Israel, to the LORD your God, for you have stumbled
because of your iniquity.*

² *Take with you words and return to the LORD; say to him, “Take
away all iniquity; accept what is good, and we will pay with
bulls the vows of our lips.*

³ *Assyria shall not save us; we will not ride on horses; and we will
say no more, ‘Our God,’ to the work of our hands. In you the
orphan finds mercy.”*

4 I will heal their apostasy; I will love them freely, for my anger has turned from them.

5 I will be like the dew to Israel; he shall blossom like the lily; he shall take root like the trees of Lebanon;

6 his shoots shall spread out; his beauty shall be like the olive, and his fragrance like Lebanon.

7 They shall return and dwell beneath my shadow; they shall flourish like the grain; they shall blossom like the vine; their fame shall be like the wine of Lebanon.

8 O Ephraim, what have I to do with idols? It is I who answer and look after you. I am like an evergreen cypress; from me comes your fruit.

9 Whoever is wise, let him understand these things; whoever is discerning, let him know them; for the ways of the LORD are right, and the upright walk in them, but transgressors stumble in them.

Congregational Prayer

Jason Van Goor, Ruling Elder

Offertory and Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Presentation of the Offering

Jason Guenther, Deacon

Corporate Profession of Faith

This is the good news that we have received,
in which we stand, and by which we are saved,
if we hold fast:

That Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures,
that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day,
and that He appeared first to the women, then to Peter,
and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses.

We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God.
Jesus is the first and the last, the beginning and the end;
He is our Lord and our God.

I once was lost in darkest night yet thought I knew the way;
 the sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave.
 I had no hope that You would own a rebel to Your will
 and if You had not loved me first I would refuse You still.

But as I ran my hell bound race, indiff'rent to the cost
 You looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross;
 and I beheld God's love displayed, You suffered in my place,
 You bore the wrath reserved for me, now all I know is grace!
 Hallelujah! All I have is Christ: Hallelujah! Jesus is my life!

Now Lord I would be Yours alone and live so all might see
 the strength to follow Your commands could never come from me.
 O Father use my ransomed life in any way You choose
 and let my song forever be my only boast is You.
 Hallelujah! All I have is Christ: Hallelujah! Jesus is my life!
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Corporate Confession of Sin

Father in heaven, we thank You for the freedom You have given us
 through the life, death and resurrection of Your Son.
 But we confess today that we often live like slaves.
 Instead of living like You delight in us,
 we avoid You in shame and guilt.
 Instead of receiving Your favor as a gift,
 we try to earn it with our efforts.
 Instead of accepting Your freedom,
 we prefer our chains.
 Instead of pursuing Your purposes,
 we cling to our short-sighted agendas.
 Forgive us. Embrace us. Cleanse us. Heal us.
 We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Individual Prayer and Meditation (silent prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

1 John 1:1, 2

¹ *That which was from the beginning, which we have heard,
 which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and
 have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—*

² *the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it
 and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father
 and was made manifest to us—*

By faith we see the hand of God
in the light of creation's grand design,
in the lives of those who prove His faithfulness,
who walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth
with the pow'r of His promise in their hearts,
of a holy city built by God's own hand,
a place where peace and justice reign.

chorus: *We will stand as children of the promise;
we will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward.
Till the race is finished and the work is done,
we'll walk by faith and not by sight.*

By faith the prophets saw a day
when the longed-for Messiah would appear
with the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death
and rise triumphant from the grave.

By faith the church was called to go
in the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost
to deliver captives and to preach good news
in ev'ry corner of the earth.

chorus

By faith this mountain shall be moved
and the pow'r of the Gospel shall prevail,
for we know in Christ all things are possible
for all who call upon His name.

chorus: *We will stand as children of the promise;
we will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward.
Till the race is finished and the work is done,
we'll walk by faith and not by sight.*

Oh, we will stand as children of the promise;
we will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward.
Till the race is finished and the work is done,
we'll walk by faith and not by sight,
we'll walk by faith and not by sight.

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Scripture

Hebrews 13:9-16

⁹ *Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings, for it is good for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by foods, which have not benefited those devoted to them.*

¹⁰ *We have an altar from which those who serve the tent have no right to eat.*

¹¹ *For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the holy places by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp.*

¹² *So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood.*

¹³ *Therefore let us go to him outside the camp and bear the reproach he endured.*

¹⁴ *For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come.*

¹⁵ *Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name.*

¹⁶ *Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.*

Sermon

“What Are We Offering to God?”

Pastor Reed

Hymn

“All for Jesus!”

All for Jesus! All for Jesus!
All my being's ransomed pow'rs,
all my thoughts and words and doings,
all my days and all my hours.

Let my hands perform His bidding,
let my feet run in His ways;
let my eyes see Jesus only,
let my lips speak forth His praise.

Worldlings prize their gems of beauty,
cling to gilded toys of dust,
boast of wealth and fame and pleasure;
only Jesus will I trust.

Since my eyes were fixed on Jesus,
I've lost sight of all beside;
so enchained my spirit's vision,
looking at the Crucified.

Oh what wonder! how amazing!
Jesus, glorious King of kings,
deigns to call me His beloved,
lets me rest beneath His wings.

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Scriptural Benediction

Postlude

Sermon Outline
“What Are We Offering God?”
Hebrews 13:9-16

I. A Grace Empowered Life?

II. A Heavenly Oriented Life?

III. A God Pleasing Life?

By Faith

Words and Music by
Keith & Kristyn Getty
and Stuart Townend

Steadily (♩ = 76)

A D/A A Ama⁷ D/A A F#m⁷

1. By faith we see the hand of God in the light of cre - a - tion's grand de -
 2. By faith our fa - thers roamed the earth with the pow'r of His prom - ise in their
 3. By faith the pro - phets saw a day when the longed - for Mes - si - ah would ap -
 4. By faith the church was called to go in the pow'r of the Spir - it to the
 5. By faith this moun - tain shall be moved and the pow'r of the gos - pel shall pre -

Esus A/C# D F#m E/G# A F#m E D E F#m⁷

sign, in the lives of those who prove His faith - ful - ness,
 hearts, of a ho - ly cit - y built by God's own hand,
 pear with the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death
 lost to de - liv - er cap - tives and to preach good news
 veil, for we know in Christ all things are pos - si - ble

Dadd⁹ E A D/A A Refrain E/G# F#m D

who walk by faith and not by sight.
 a place where peace and jus - tice reign.
 and rise tri - um - phant from the grave. We will stand as chil - dren of the
 in ev - 'ry cor - ner of the earth.
 for all who call up - on His name.

A A/C# F#m D A E A E/G# F#m D

prom - ise; We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's re - ward. Till the race is fin-ished and the

The first system of music is written in treble and bass clefs with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The melody in the treble clef consists of quarter and eighth notes. The bass line provides a steady accompaniment with chords and moving lines.

A C#m D Bm7 Dadd9 E A D/A A Ama7 D/A A

D.C. last time

work is done, we'll walk by faith and not by sight.

The second system of music continues the melody and accompaniment. It features a double bar line with repeat dots, followed by a 'D.C.' (Da Capo) instruction and a box labeled 'last time' above the final measure. The final measure contains a whole note chord in the treble clef.

By Faith (Hymnal: Key of A)

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