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Gospel Centered
CHRIST EXALTING

The Lord's Day
July 24, 2022

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.

“For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws into their minds, and write them on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.”

Hebrews 8:10

Prelude

During the prelude selection, prepare for worship by reflecting on Hebrews 8:10 printed above.

Life of the Church

Call to Worship

Psalm 95:1-5

¹ Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

² Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

³ For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

⁴ In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.

⁵ The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

Invocation

Hymn

“Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim”

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
and publish abroad His wonderful Name;
the Name, all victorious, of Jesus extol;
His kingdom is glorious and rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save;
and still He is nigh—His presence we have.
The great congregation His triumph shall sing,
ascribing salvation to Jesus, our King.

Salvation to God who sits on the throne!
Let all cry aloud and honor the Son.
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore, and give Him his right,
all glory and pow’r, and wisdom and might,
all honor and blessing, with angels above,
and thanks never ceasing for infinite love.

Jeremiah 31:31-34

³¹ “Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah,

³² not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD.

³³ For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

³⁴ And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, ‘Know the LORD,’ for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.”

Congregational Prayer

Bruce Hurlbut, Ruling Elder

Offertory and Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Presentation of the Offering

Ken Knecht, 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.

Hymn

“Nothing but the Blood”

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
what can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

***refrain:** Oh! precious is the flow
that makes me white as snow;
no other fount I know,
nothing but the blood of Jesus.*

For my cleansing, this I see - nothing but the blood of Jesus;
for my pardon this my plea - nothing but the blood of Jesus.

refrain

Nothing can for sin atone - nothing but the blood of Jesus;
naught of good that I have done - nothing but the blood of Jesus.

refrain

This is all my hope and peace - nothing but the blood of Jesus;
this is all my righteousness - nothing but the blood of Jesus.

refrain

Now by this I'll overcome - nothing but the blood of Jesus,
now by this I'll reach my home - nothing but the blood of Jesus.

refrain

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Corporate Confession of Sin

Merciful Lord, we confess that with us
there is an abundance of sin,
but in You there is the fullness of righteousness
and abundance of mercy.
We are spiritually poor, but You are rich
and in Jesus Christ came to be merciful to the poor.
Strengthen our faith and trust in You.
We are empty vessels that need to be filled; fill us.
We are weak in faith; strengthen us.
We are cold in love; warm us, and make our hearts fervent for You
that our love may go out to one another and to our neighbors.
Forgive us for our sin. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Individual Prayer and Meditation (Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

John 3:16

*For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son,
that whoever believes in him should not perish but
have eternal life.*

“Arise, My Soul, Arise”

Arise, my soul, arise, shake off your guilty fears;
the bleeding sacrifice, on my behalf appears
before the throne my surety stands, before the throne my surety stands,
my name is written on His hands.

chorus: *Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise*
Arise, my soul, arise.
Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise
Arise, my soul, arise.
Shake off your guilty fears and rise.

He ever lives above for me to intercede,
His all redeeming love, His precious blood to plead
His blood atoned for ev'ry race, His blood atoned for ev'ry race,
and sprinkles now the throne of grace.

chorus

Five bleeding wounds He bears; received on Calvary
they pour effectual prayers; they strongly plead for me
"Forgive him, O forgive," they cry, "Forgive him, O forgive," they cry,
don't let that ransomed sinner die!"

chorus

My God is reconciled; His pard'ning voice I hear;
He owns me for His child; I can no longer fear;
with confidence I now draw nigh, with confidence I now draw nigh,
and "Father, Abba, Father!" cry.

chorus

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Scripture

Hebrews 8:1-13

- ¹ *Now the point in what we are saying is this: we have such a high priest, one who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven,*
- ² *a minister in the holy places, in the true tent that the Lord set up, not man.*
- ³ *For every high priest is appointed to offer gifts and sacrifices; thus it is necessary for this priest also to have something to offer.*
- ⁴ *Now if he were on earth, he would not be a priest at all, since there are priests who offer gifts according to the law.*
- ⁵ *They serve a copy and shadow of the heavenly things. For when Moses was about to erect the tent, he was instructed by God, saying, “See that you make everything according to the pattern that was shown you on the mountain.”*
- ⁶ *But as it is, Christ has obtained a ministry that is as much more excellent than the old as the covenant he mediates is better, since it is enacted on better promises.*
- ⁷ *For if that first covenant had been faultless, there would have been no occasion to look for a second.*
- ⁸ *For he finds fault with them when he says: “Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will establish a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah,*

⁹ *not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. For they did not continue in my covenant, and so I showed no concern for them, declares the Lord.*

¹⁰ *For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws into their minds, and write them on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.*

¹¹ *And they shall not teach, each one his neighbor and each one his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest.*

¹² *For I will be merciful toward their iniquities, and I will remember their sins no more."*

¹³ *In speaking of a new covenant, he makes the first one obsolete. And what is becoming obsolete and growing old is ready to vanish away.*

Sermon

"A Better Covenant That Never Becomes Obsolete"

Pastor Reed

Hymn

"O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus"

Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus, vast unmeasured, boundless, free,
rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me,
underneath me, all around me is the current of Your love,
leading onward, leading homeward to Your glorious rest above.

refrain: *Oh 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.

refrain

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.

refrain

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Scriptural Benediction

Postlude

Sermon Outline

“A Better Covenant That Never Becomes Obsolete”

Hebrews 8:1-13

I. A Better Minister.

II. A Better Covenant.

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