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CHRIST EXALTING

The Lord's Day
July 31, 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.

*“In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness
of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace.”*

Ephesians 1:7

Prelude

**During the prelude selection, prepare for worship
by reflecting on Ephesians 1:7 printed above.**

Life of the Church

Call to Worship

Acts 17:24-28a

*²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven
and earth, does not live in temples made by man,^[a]*

*²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since
he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything.*

*²⁶And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the
face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries
of their dwelling place,*

*²⁷that they should seek God, and perhaps feel their way toward him and
find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us,*

²⁸for “In him we live and move and have our being’.

Invocation

Hymn

“Give to Our God Immortal Praise”

Give to our God immortal praise; mercy and truth are all His ways:
wonders of grace to God belong; repeat His mercies in your song.

Give to the Lord of lords renown; the King of kings with glory crown:
His mercies ever shall endure, when lords and kings are known no more.

He built the earth, He spread the sky, and fixed the starry lights on high:
wonders of grace to God belong; repeat His mercies in your song.

He fills the sun with morning light; He bids the moon direct the night:
His mercies ever shall endure, when suns and moons shall shine no more.

He sent His Son with pow’r to save from guilt and darkness and the grave:
wonders of grace to God belong; repeat His mercies in your song.

Through this vain world He guides our feet, and leads us to His heav’nly seat:
His mercies ever shall endure, when this vain world shall be no more.

Exodus 26:31-37

31 “And you shall make a veil of blue and purple and scarlet yarns and fine twined linen. It shall be made with cherubim skillfully worked into it.

32 And you shall hang it on four pillars of acacia overlaid with gold, with hooks of gold, on four bases of silver.

33 And you shall hang the veil from the clasps, and bring the ark of the testimony in there within the veil. And the veil shall separate for you the Holy Place from the Most Holy.

34 You shall put the mercy seat on the ark of the testimony in the Most Holy Place.

35 And you shall set the table outside the veil, and the lampstand on the south side of the tabernacle opposite the table, and you shall put the table on the north side.

36 “You shall make a screen for the entrance of the tent, of blue and purple and scarlet yarns and fine twined linen, embroidered with needlework.

37 And you shall make for the screen five pillars of acacia, and overlay them with gold. Their hooks shall be of gold, and you shall cast five bases of bronze for them.

Congregational Prayer

Bruce Hurlbut, Ruling Elder

Offertory and Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Presentation of the Offering

Tom Fox, Deacon

Corporate Profession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn

“Lamb of God”

Your only Son, no sin to hide, but You have sent Him from Your side,
to walk upon this guilty sod, and to become the Lamb of God.

chorus: *O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God,
I love the holy Lamb of God!
O wash me in His precious blood
my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.*

Your gift of love, they crucified, they laughed and scorned Him as He died,
the humble King they named a fraud and crucified the Lamb of God.

chorus

I was so lost, I should have died, but You have brought me to Your side,
to be led by Your staff and rod, and to be called a Lamb of God.

chorus

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Corporate Confession of Sin

Jesus, forgive my sins.
Forgive the sins that I remember, and the sins I have forgotten.
Forgive my many failures in the face of temptation, and those times
when I have been stubborn in the face of correction.
Forgive the times I have been proud of my own achievements
and those when I have failed to boast in Your works.
Forgive the harsh judgments I have made of others,
and the leniency I have shown myself.
Forgive the lies I have told to others, and the truths I have avoided.
Forgive me the pain I have caused others
and the indulgence I have shown myself.
Jesus, have mercy on me and make me whole. Amen.

Individual Prayer and Meditation (Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

Romans 5:8-10

*⁸ but God shows his love for us in that while we were still
sinners, Christ died for us.*

*⁹ Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood,
much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.*

*¹⁰ For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God
by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are
reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.*

“If Thou Hast Drawn”

chorus: (men) *If Thou has drawn a thousand times*
 (women) *Oh draw me Lord again*
 (men) *around me cast the spirit's bands*
 (women) *Oh draw me Lord again.*

Draw me from created good, from self, the world, and sin
 to the fountain of Thy blood, and make me pure within.

chorus

Lead me to Thy mercy seat, Oh draw me nearer still
 like Mary draw me to Thy feet, to sit and learn Thy will.

chorus

Draw me all the desert through, with cords of heav'nly love
 and when prepared for going home Oh draw me up above.

chorus

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Scripture

Hebrews 9:1-14

- ¹ *Now even the first covenant had regulations for worship and an earthly place of holiness.*
- ² *For a tent^[a] was prepared, the first section, in which were the lampstand and the table and the bread of the Presence.^[b] It is called the Holy Place.*
- ³ *Behind the second curtain was a second section^[c] called the Most Holy Place,*
- ⁴ *having the golden altar of incense and the ark of the covenant covered on all sides with gold, in which was a golden urn holding the manna, and Aaron's staff that budded, and the tablets of the covenant.*
- ⁵ *Above it were the cherubim of glory overshadowing the mercy seat. Of these things we cannot now speak in detail.*
- ⁶ *These preparations having thus been made, the priests go regularly into the first section, performing their ritual duties,*
- ⁷ *but into the second only the high priest goes, and he but once a year, and not without taking blood, which he offers for himself and for the unintentional sins of the people.*
- ⁸ *By this the Holy Spirit indicates that the way into the holy places is not yet opened as long as the first section is still standing*
- ⁹ *(which is symbolic for the present age).^[d] According to this arrangement, gifts and sacrifices are offered that cannot perfect the conscience of the worshiper,*
- ¹⁰ *but deal only with food and drink and various washings, regulations for the body imposed until the time of reformation.*

¹¹ But when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come,^[e] then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation)

¹² he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption.

¹³ For if the blood of goats and bulls, and the sprinkling of defiled persons with the ashes of a heifer, sanctify^[f] for the purification of the flesh,

¹⁴ how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our^[g] conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

Sermon

“A Reformation for The Ages”

Pastor Reed

Hymn

“Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take Him at His word;
just to rest upon His promise; just to know, “Thus saith the Lord.”

refrain: *Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him! How I've proved Him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust Him more!*

O how sweet to trust in Jesus, just to trust His cleansing blood;
just in simple faith to plunge me 'neath the healing, cleansing flood!

refrain

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus, just from sin and self to cease;
just from Jesus simply taking life and rest, and joy and peace.

refrain

I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee, Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend;
and I know that Thou art with me, wilt be with me to the end.

refrain

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Scriptural Benediction

Postlude

Sermon Outline
“A Reformation for The Ages”
Hebrews 9:1-14

I. The Present Age.

II. The Age of Reformation.

IF THOU HAST DRAWN A THOUSAND TIMES

Words by Beddome and Rippon
alt. by Kevin Twit and Brown
Music by Kevin Twit
and Craig Brown

Chorus

D/F# G D G/B Cadd9 Dadd9

(men) If Thou hast drawn a thou - sand times (women) Oh draw me Lord

5 D/F# G D G/B Cadd9 Dadd9

a (men) A - round me cast the spir - it's bands (women) Oh draw me Lord

9 Em D/F# G /A /B Cadd9 Dadd9

a - gain

Verse

14 Em Dadd9 Cadd9 Dadd9

1. Draw me from cre - a - ted good, From self, the world, and sin
2. Lead me to Thy mer - cy - seat, Oh draw me near - er still
3. Draw me all the des - ert through, With cords of heav'n - ly love

17 Em Dadd9

Like To the foun - tain of Thy blood, And
And when Ma - ry draw - tain me of Thy Thy blood, feet, And
pre - pared for go - ing home To Oh

20 Cadd9 Dadd9

make me pure with - in
sit and me learn up Thy a - will
draw me learn up Thy a - bove (men) If

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