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CHRIST EXALTING

The Lord's Day
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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.

*"Behold, I have come to do your will, O God,
as it is written of me in the scroll of the book."
Hebrews 10:1-10*

Prelude

**During the prelude selection, prepare for worship
by reflecting on Hebrews 10:1-10 printed above.**

Life of the Church

Call to Worship

Isaiah 12:4-5

⁴ And you will say in that day: "Give thanks to the LORD, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted.

⁵ "Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth.

Invocation

Hymn

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, Thy great Name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
All praise we would render; O help us to see
'tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

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Scripture Reading

Hebrews 10:1-10

Carl Monroe, Ruling Elder

¹ For since the law has but a shadow of the good things to come instead of the true form of these realities, it can never, by the same sacrifices that are continually offered every year, make perfect those who draw near.

² Otherwise, would they not have ceased to be offered, since the worshipers, having once been cleansed, would no longer have any consciousness of sins?

- 3 But in these sacrifices there is a reminder of sins every year.*
- 4 For it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins.*
- 5 Consequently, when Christ came into the world, he said, "Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body have you prepared for me;*
- 6 in burnt offerings and sin offerings you have taken no pleasure.*
- 7 Then I said, 'Behold, I have come to do your will, O God, as it is written of me in the scroll of the book.'"*
- 8 When he said above, "You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings" (these are offered according to the law),*
- 9 then he added, "Behold, I have come to do your will." He does away with the first in order to establish the second.*
- 10 And by that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.*

Congregational Prayer

Carl Monroe, Ruling Elder

Offertory and Collection of Tithes and Offerings

"Speak, O Lord"
by Stuart Townend and Keith Getty

Choir

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You to receive the food of your holy word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us Lord, full obedience, Holy reverence, true humility;
Test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see Your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail, Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time that will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises, And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built and the earth is filled with Your glory.

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Prayer of Thanksgiving and Presentation of the Offering

Ken Knecht, Deacon

Corporate Profession of Faith

Revelation 5:9-13

Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals,
for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people
for God from every tribe and language and people and nation,
and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God,
and they shall reign on the earth.

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth
and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!
To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing
and honor and glory and might forever and ever!

Hymn

“Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee”

Jesus, the very thought of Thee with sweetness fills my breast;
but sweeter far Thy face to see, and in Thy presence rest.

Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame, nor can the mem'ry find,
a sweeter sound than Thy blest Name, O Saviour of mankind.

O Hope of ev'ry contrite heart, O Joy of all the meek,
to those who fall, how kind Thou art! How good to those who seek!

But what to those who find? Ah, this nor tongue nor pen can show:
the love of Jesus, what it is none but His loved ones know.

Jesus, our only Joy be Thou, as Thou our Prize wilt be;
Jesus, be Thou our Glory now, and through eternity.

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Corporate Confession of Sin

Almighty God, gracious Father, we confess
that we are not worthy of your presence,
but we look now to the Lamb of God,
who takes away our sin.
Through him we would now come near to you,
listening to your voice, trusting in your love,
delighting in your word, and leaning on your arm.
We joyfully beg to see your face!
Now cleanse our minds of all error and our hearts of all idols,
that we may shine in the world with the radiant light of your Spirit
and your character. In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Individual Prayer and Meditation (Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

1 Peter 2:24-25

*²⁴ He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to
sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.*

*²⁵ For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the
Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.*

Hymn

“Come, All Ye Pining, Hungry Poor”

Lord we adore Thy boundless grace,
the heights and depths unknown,
of pardon, life, and joy, and peace,
in Thy beloved Son.

chorus: *Come, all ye pining, hungry, poor,
the Savior’s bounty taste,
behold a never failing store
for ev’ry willing guest.*

O wondrous gifts of love divine,
Dear Source of ev’ry good;
Jesus, in Thee what glories shine!
How rich Thy flowing blood!

chorus

Here shall your num’rous wants receive
a free, a full supply;
He has unmeasured bliss to give,
and joys that never die.

chorus

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Scripture

2 Chronicles 35:1-19

¹ *Josiah kept a Passover to the LORD in Jerusalem. And they slaughtered the Passover lamb on the fourteenth day of the first month.*

² *He appointed the priests to their offices and encouraged them in the service of the house of the LORD.*

³ *And he said to the Levites who taught all Israel and who were holy to the LORD, “Put the holy ark in the house that Solomon the son of David, king of Israel, built. You need not carry it on your shoulders. Now serve the LORD your God and his people Israel.*

⁴ *Prepare yourselves according to your fathers’ houses by your divisions, as prescribed in the writing of David king of Israel and the document of Solomon his son.*

⁵ *And stand in the Holy Place according to the groupings of the fathers’ houses of your brothers the lay people, and according to the division of the Levites by fathers’ household.*

- ⁶ *And slaughter the Passover lamb, and consecrate yourselves, and prepare for your brothers, to do according to the word of the LORD by Moses.”*
- ⁷ *Then Josiah contributed to the lay people, as Passover offerings for all who were present, lambs and young goats from the flock to the number of 30,000, and 3,000 bulls; these were from the king’s possessions.*
- ⁸ *And his officials contributed willingly to the people, to the priests, and to the Levites. Hilkiah, Zechariah, and Jehiel, the chief officers of the house of God, gave to the priests for the Passover offerings 2,600 Passover lambs and 300 bulls.*
- ⁹ *Conaniah also, and Shemaiah and Nethanel his brothers, and Hashabiah and Jeiel and Jozabad, the chiefs of the Levites, gave to the Levites for the Passover offerings 5,000 lambs and young goats and 500 bulls.*
- ¹⁰ *When the service had been prepared for, the priests stood in their place, and the Levites in their divisions according to the king’s command.*
- ¹¹ *And they slaughtered the Passover lamb, and the priests threw the blood that they received from them while the Levites flayed the sacrifices.*
- ¹² *And they set aside the burnt offerings that they might distribute them according to the groupings of the fathers’ houses of the lay people, to offer to the LORD, as it is written in the Book of Moses. And so they did with the bulls.*
- ¹³ *And they roasted the Passover lamb with fire according to the rule; and they boiled the holy offerings in pots, in cauldrons, and in pans, and carried them quickly to all the lay people.*
- ¹⁴ *And afterward they prepared for themselves and for the priests, because the priests, the sons of Aaron, were offering the burnt offerings and the fat parts until night; so the Levites prepared for themselves and for the priests, the sons of Aaron.*
- ¹⁵ *The singers, the sons of Asaph, were in their place according to the command of David, and Asaph, and Heman, and Jeduthun the king’s seer; and the gatekeepers were at each gate. They did not need to depart from their service, for their brothers the Levites prepared for them.*
- ¹⁶ *So all the service of the LORD was prepared that day, to keep the Passover and to offer burnt offerings on the altar of the LORD, according to the command of King Josiah.*
- ¹⁷ *And the people of Israel who were present kept the Passover at that time, and the Feast of Unleavened Bread seven days.*
- ¹⁸ *No Passover like it had been kept in Israel since the days of Samuel the prophet. None of the kings of Israel had kept such a Passover as was kept by Josiah, and the priests and the Levites, and all Judah and Israel who were present, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem.*
- ¹⁹ *In the eighteenth year of the reign of Josiah this Passover was kept.*

“A Celebration Like No Other”

Hymn

*“We Will Feast in the House of Zion”
by Sandra McCracken and Joshua Moore*

chorus: *We will feast in the house of Zion.
We will sing with our hearts restored.
He has done great things, we will say together.
We will feast and weep no more.*

We will not be burned by the fire,
He is the Lord our God.
We are not consumed by the flood,
upheld, protected, gathered up.

chorus

In the dark of night before the dawn
my soul be not afraid
for the promised morning o how long
O God of Jacob be my strength.

chorus

Every vow we’ve broken and betrayed
You are the faithful One
and from the garden to the grave
bind us together bring shalom.

chorus

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Scriptural Benediction

Postlude

Sermon Outline
“A Celebration Like No Other”
2 Chronicles 35:1-19

I. Josiah's preparations (v.1-6)

II. Josiah's provisions (v.7-9)

III. The leaders' performance (v.10-16)

IV. The Passover preeminence (v.17-19)

Come, All Ye Pining, Hungry Poor

Anne Steele (1716-1778)

Brian T Murphy

A A/C# F#m E D

1. Lord we a - dore thy bound - less grace.
 2. O won - drous gifts of love di - vine,
 3. Here shall your num - 'rous wants re - ceive.

3 A/C# D Esus E

The heights and depths un - known,
 Dear Source of ev - 'ry good;
 A free, a full sup - ply;

5 A A/C# F#m E D

Of par - don, life, and joy, and peace,
 Je - sus, in thee what glo - ries shine!
 He has un - meas - ured bliss to give,

7 A/C# Esus E A

In thy be - lov - ed Son. Come, all ye pin -
 How rich thy flow - ing blood!
 And joys that nev - er die.

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

ing, hun - gry poor, The Sav - ior's boun - ty taste; Be - hold a ne -

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

ver - fail - ing store. For ev - 'ry will - ing guest.

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

Sandra McCracken
Joshua Moore

Chorus

F F/D B \flat F Dm C B \flat

We will feast in the house of Zi - on. We will sing with our

Gm C F F/D B \flat F

hearts re - stored. He has done great things. we will say to - ge - ther

Verse

Dm C B \flat C F

We will feast and weep no more.

1. We will not be
2. In the dark of
3. Ev - ery vow we've

B \flat Dm B \flat C Dm

burned by the fire, He is the Lord our God we are not con -
night be - fore the dawn my soul be not a - fraid for the pro - mised
bro - ken and be - trayed You are the faith ful one and from the

B \flat Dm B \flat C Dm C/E

sumed by the flood Up - held, pro - tect - ed, ga - thered up
mor - ning o how long O God of Ja - cob be — my strength.
gar - den to the grave Bind us to - ge - ther bring — sha - lom

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