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Gospel Centered
CHRIST EXALTING

The Lord's Day

June 14, 2020

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 Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses -
as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor
than the house itself.”*

Hebrews 3:3

Prelude

**During the prelude, prepare for worship by
reflecting on Hebrews 3:3 printed above.**

Welcome

Hymn

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen!
Loud praise to Christ our King: Alleluia! Amen!
Let all, with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice;
praise is His gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen.

Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen!
Let praises fill the sky, Alleluia! Amen!
He is our Guide and Friend; to us He'll condescend;
His love shall never end. Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen!
Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!
On heaven's blissful shore, His goodness we'll adore,
Singing forever more, Alleluia! Amen!

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Hymn

“Ten Thousand Times Ten Thousand”

Ten thousand times ten thousand in sparkling raiment bright,
the armies of the ransomed saints throng up the steep of light:
'Tis finished, all is finished, their fight with death and sin:
fling open wide the golden gates and let the victors in.

What rush of alleluias fill all the earth and sky!
What ringing of a thousand harps bespeaks the triumph nigh!
O day for which creation and all its tribes were made;
O joy for all its former woes a thousand fold repaid!

O then what raptured greetings on Canaan's happy shore;
what knitting severed friendship up where partings are no more!
Then eyes with joy shall sparkle that brimmed with tears of late;
orphans no longer fatherless nor widows desolate.

Bring near Thy great salvation, Thou Lamb for sinners slain;
fill up the roll of Thine elect then take Thy power, and reign:
appear, Desire of nations, Thine exiles long for home;
show in the heav'n Thy promised sign, Thou Prince and Savior, come.

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¹¹ Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands,

¹² saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

¹³ And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"

Invocation

Corporate Profession of Faith

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose.

We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Jason Van Goor, Deacon

Scripture Reading

Hebrews 3:1-6

Kevin Breniman, Ruling Elder

¹ Therefore, holy brothers, you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession,

² who was faithful to him who appointed him, just as Moses also was faithful in all God's house.

³ For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses - as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself.

⁴ (For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.)

⁵ Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant, to testify to the things that were to be spoken later,

⁶ but Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And we are his house, if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope.

Hymn

“I Asked the Lord”

(sheet music pgs. 8 & 9)

I asked the Lord that I might grow in faith and love and ev’ry grace,
might more of His salvation know and seek more earnestly His face.

‘Twas He who taught me thus to pray and He I trust has answered prayer,
but it has been in such a way as almost drove me to despair.

I hoped that in some favored hour at once He’d answer my request,
and by His love’s constraining pow’r subdue my sins and give me rest.

Instead of this He made me feel the hidden evils of my heart,
and let the angry pow’rs of Hell assault my soul in every part.

Yea more with His own hand He seemed intent to aggravate my woe,
crossed all the fair designs I schemed, humbled my heart and laid me low.

“Lord, why is this,” I trembling, cried, “wilt Thou pursue Thy worm to death?”
“‘Tis in this way” the Lord replied, “I answer prayer for grace and faith.”

“These inward trials I employ from self and pride to set thee free,
and break thy schemes of earthly joy that thou may’st find thy all in Me.”

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Corporate Confession of Sin

Almighty God, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ You have given us a sure hope and future, yet we confess that we have set our hope on other things: money, family, success, pleasure.

Forgive us for breaking Your Law and putting these things ahead of You. By Your Spirit, help us to set our hope fully on Your promises and to lead holy lives as we await Christ’s return. In Jesus name, Amen.

Individual Prayer of Confession (silent prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

Acts 13:38-39

38 Let it be known to you therefore, brothers, that through this man forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you,

39 and by Him everyone who believes is freed from everything from which you could not be freed by the law of Moses.

*Hymn

“Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting”

Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what Thou art;
I am finding out the greatness of Thy loving heart.
Thou hast bid me gaze upon Thee and Thy beauty fills my soul,
for by Thy transforming power Thou hast made me whole.
Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what Thou art;
I am finding out the greatness of Thy loving heart.

O how great Thy loving kindness, vaster, broader than the sea!
O how marvelous Thy goodness lavished all on me!
Yes, I rest in Thee, Beloved, know what wealth of grace is Thine,
know Thy certainty of promise and have made it mine.
Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what Thou art;
I am finding out the greatness of Thy loving heart.

Simply trusting Thee, Lord Jesus, I behold Thee as Thou art,
and Thy love so pure, so changeless, satisfies my heart;
satisfies my deepest longings, meets, supplies its every need,
‘compasseth me round with blessings, Thine is love indeed!
Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what Thou art;
I am finding out the greatness of Thy loving heart.

Ever lift Thy face upon me as I work and wait for Thee;
resting ‘neath Thy smile, Lord Jesus, earth’s dark shadows flee.
Brightness of my Father’s glory, sunshine of my Father’s face,
keep me ever trusting, resting, fill me with Thy grace.
Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what Thou art;
I am finding out the greatness of Thy loving heart.

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Scripture Reading

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

¹ Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho. And the LORD showed him all the land, Gilead as far as Dan,

² all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the western sea,

³ the Negeb, and the Plain, that is, the Valley of Jericho the city of palm trees, as far as Zoar.

⁴ And the LORD said to him, “This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, ‘I will give it to your offspring.’ I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not go over there.”

⁵ So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD,

⁶ and he buried him in the valley in the land of Moab opposite Beth-peor; but no one knows the place of his burial to this day.

7 Moses was 120 years old when he died. His eye was undimmed, and his vigor unabated.

8 And the people of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days. Then the days of weeping and mourning for Moses were ended.

9 And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands on him. So the people of Israel obeyed him and did as the LORD had commanded Moses.

10 And there has not arisen a prophet since in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face,

11 none like him for all the signs and the wonders that the LORD sent him to do in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh and to all his servants and to all his land,

12 and for all the mighty power and all the great deeds of terror that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

Sermon

“A Faithful Servant’s Hope in the Faithful Son’s Exodus”

Pastor Reed

Hymn

“On Jordan’s Stormy Banks I Stand”

On Jordan’s stormy banks I stand, and cast a wishful eye
to Canaan’s fair and happy land where my possessions lie.

All o’er those wide extended plains shines one eternal day
there God, the Son forever reigns and scatters night away.

chorus: I am bound, I am bound, I am bound for the Promised Land.
I am bound, I am bound, I am bound for the Promised Land.

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath can reach that healthful shore
sickness, sorrow, pain and death are felt and feared no more.

chorus

When shall I reach that happy place and be forever blessed
When shall I see my Father’s face and in His bosom rest.

chorus

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Scriptural Benediction

Postlude

Sermon Outline
“A Faithful Servant’s Hope in the Faithful Son’s Exodus”
Deuteronomy 34:1-12

I. A Mountaintop View.

II. A Grave in Moab.

III. A Future Exodus.

I ASKED THE LORD

John Newton, 1779

Traditional

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