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# Gospel Centered CHRIST EXALTING

# *The Lord's Day*June 21, 2020

Covenant's Mission Statement
Covenant seeks to glorify God by
<u>Establishing</u> Disciples biblically,
<u>Engaging</u> Culture redemptively,
<u>Expanding</u> 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.

## "Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity." Psalm 133:1

Prelude

During the prelude, prepare for worship by reflecting on Psalm 133:1 printed above.

Welcome

Call to Worship

Psalm 111:1-4

- <sup>1</sup> Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.
- <sup>2</sup> Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.
- <sup>3</sup> Full of splendor and majesty is His work, and His righteousness endures forever.
- <sup>4</sup> He has caused His wondrous works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and merciful.

Invocation

Hymn

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

Come, Thou almighty King, help us Thy name to sing, help us to praise! Father all glorious, O'er all victorious, come and reign over us, Ancient of Days!

Come, Thou incarnate Word, gird on Thy mighty sword, our prayer attend! Come, and Thy people bless, and give Thy Word success, Spirit of holiness, on us descend!

Come, holy Comforter,
Thy sacred witness bear
in this glad hour.
Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart,
and ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power!

To Thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be, hence, evermore. Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore!

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For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies.

**refrain:** Lord of all to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the wonder of each hour, of the day and of the night, hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light. *refrain* 

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild. **refrain** 

For the church, that evermore lifteth holy hands above, offering up on every shore Her pure sacrifice of love. **refrain** 

For Thyself, best Gift Divine. to our race so freely given, for that great, great love of Thine, peace on earth and joy in Heaven. *refrain* 

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### Corporate Profession of Faith

All saints, that are united to Jesus Christ their Head, by His Spirit, and by faith, have fellowship with Him in His graces, sufferings, death, resurrection, and glory: and, being united to one another in love, they have communion in each other's gifts and graces, and are obliged to the performance of such duties, public and private, as do conduce to their mutual good, both in the inward and outward man.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Jeff Rooker, Deacon

Scripture Reading

1 Samuel 20:27-42

J. C. Baker, Ruling Elder

<sup>27</sup> But on the second day, the day after the new moon, David's place was empty. And Saul said to Jonathan his son, "Why has not the son of Jesse come to the meal, either yesterday or today?"

<sup>28</sup>Jonathan answered Saul, "David earnestly asked leave of me to go to Bethlehem.

<sup>29</sup> He said, 'Let me go, for our clan holds a sacrifice in the city, and my brother has commanded me to be there. So now, if I have found favor in your eyes, let me get away and see my brothers.' For this reason he has not come to the king's table."

3º Then Saul's anger was kindled against Jonathan, and he said to him, "You son of a perverse, rebellious woman, do I not know that you have chosen the son of Jesse to your own shame, and to the shame of your mother's nakedness?

- <sup>31</sup> For as long as the son of Jesse lives on the earth, neither you nor your kingdom shall be established. Therefore send and bring him to me, for he shall surely die."
- <sup>32</sup> Then Jonathan answered Saul his father, "Why should he be put to death? What has he done?"
- <sup>33</sup> But Saul hurled his spear at him to strike him. So Jonathan knew that his father was determined to put David to death.
- <sup>34</sup> And Jonathan rose from the table in fierce anger and ate no food the second day of the month, for he was grieved for David, because his father had disgraced him.
- 35 In the morning Jonathan went out into the field to the appointment with David, and with him a little boy.
- <sup>36</sup> And he said to his boy, "Run and find the arrows that I shoot." As the boy ran, he shot an arrow beyond him.
- <sup>37</sup> And when the boy came to the place of the arrow that Jonathan had shot, Jonathan called after the boy and said, "Is not the arrow beyond you?"
- <sup>38</sup> And Jonathan called after the boy, "Hurry! Be quick! Do not stay!" So Jonathan's boy gathered up the arrows and came to his master.
- 39 But the boy knew nothing. Only Jonathan and David knew the matter.
- 40 And Jonathan gave his weapons to his boy and said to him, "Go and carry them to the city."
- <sup>41</sup> And as soon as the boy had gone, David rose from beside the stone heap and fell on his face to the ground and bowed three times. And they kissed one another and wept with one another, David weeping the most.
- 42 Then Jonathan said to David, "Go in peace, because we have sworn both of us in the name of the LORD, saying, "The LORD shall be between me and you, and between my offspring and your offspring, forever." And he rose and departed, and Jonathan went into the city.

Congregational Prayer

J. C. Baker, Ruling Elder

Hymn

"Jesus, Lover of Mu Soul"

(sheet music pgs. 9 & 10)

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to Thy bosom fly, While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high. Hide me, O my Savior, hide, till the storm is past; safe into the haven guide; receive my soul at last.

Other refuge have I none, I helpless hang on Thee; leave, ah! leave me not alone, still support and comfort me. All my trust on Thee is stayed, help from Thee I bring; cover my defenseless head the shadow of Thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, art all I want, more than all in Thee I find; raise the fallen, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind.

Just and holy is Thy name, I am all unrighteousness; false and full of sin I am; Thou full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with Thee is found, grace to cover all my sin; let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within.

Thou of life the fountain art, let me take of Thee; spring Thou up within my heart; to all eternity.

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### Corporate Confession of Sin

Almighty God, we confess how hard it is to be Your people. You have called us to be the church, to continue the mission of Jesus Christ to our lonely and confused world. Yet we acknowledge we are more apathetic than active, isolated than involved, callous than compassionate, obstinate than obedient, legalistic than loving.

Gracious Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive our sins. Remove the obstacles preventing us from being Your representatives to a broken world. Awaken our hearts to the promised gift of your indwelling Spirit. This we pray in Jesus' powerful name. Amen.

Individual Prayer of Confession (silent prayer)

Assurance of Pardon 1 Peter 2:9-10

> 9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.

> <sup>10</sup> Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Hymn

"My Worth is Not in What I Own"

(sheet music pgs. 11 & 12)

My worth is not in what I own; not in the strength of flesh and bone. But in the costly wounds of love at the cross. My worth is not in skill or name: in win or lose, in pride or shame. But in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross.

chorus: I rejoice in my Redeemer, Greatest Treasure Wellspring of my soul I will trust in Him, no other; my soul is satisfied in Him alone.

As summer flowers we fade and die: fame, youth and beauty hurry by. But life eternal calls to us at the cross. I will not boast in wealth or might, or human wisdom's fleeting light. But I will boast in knowing Christ at the cross. chorus

Two wonders here that I confess: my worth and my unworthiness. My value fixed – my ransom paid at the cross. chorus

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Scripture Reading Philemon 1-25

<sup>1</sup> Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, to Philemon our beloved fellow worker

- <sup>2</sup> and Apphia our sister and Archippus our fellow soldier, and the church in your house:
- <sup>3</sup> Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
- 4 I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers,
- <sup>5</sup> because I hear of your love and of the faith that you have toward the Lord Jesus and for all the saints,
- <sup>6</sup> and I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective for the full knowledge of every good thing that is in us for the sake of Christ.
- <sup>7</sup> For I have derived much joy and comfort from your love, my brother, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you.
- <sup>8</sup> Accordingly, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do what is required,
- 9 yet for love's sake I prefer to appeal to you I, Paul, an old man and now a prisoner also for Christ Jesus -
- <sup>10</sup> I appeal to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I became in my imprisonment.
- <sup>11</sup> (Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me.)
- <sup>12</sup> I am sending him back to you, sending my very heart.
- <sup>13</sup> I would have been glad to keep him with me, in order that he might serve me on your behalf during my imprisonment for the gospel,
- <sup>14</sup> but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your goodness might not be by compulsion but of your own accord.
- 15 For this perhaps is why he was parted from you for a while, that you might have him back forever,
- <sup>16</sup> no longer as a bondservant but more than a bondservant, as a beloved brother especially to me, but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.
- <sup>17</sup> So if you consider me your partner, receive him as you would receive me.
- <sup>18</sup> If he has wronged you at all, or owes you anything, charge that to my account.
- <sup>19</sup> I, Paul, write this with my own hand: I will repay it to say nothing of your owing me even your own self.
- <sup>20</sup> Yes, brother, I want some benefit from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in Christ.
- <sup>21</sup> Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.
- <sup>22</sup> At the same time, prepare a guest room for me, for I am hoping that through your prayers I will be graciously given to you.
- <sup>23</sup> Epaphras, my fellow prisoner in Christ Jesus, sends greetings to you,
- <sup>24</sup> and so do Mark, Aristarchus, Demas, and Luke, my fellow workers.
- <sup>25</sup> The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

Hymn

"We Are God's People"

We are God's people, the chosen of the Lord, born of His Spirit, established by His Word; our cornerstone is Christ alone, and strong in Him we stand: O let us live transparently, and walk heart to heart and hand in hand.

We are God's loved ones, the Bride of Christ our Lord, for we have known it, the love of God outpoured now let us learn how to return the gift of love once giv'n:

O let us share each joy and care, and live with a zeal that pleases heav'n.

We are the Body of which the Lord is Head, called to obey Him, now risen from the dead;
He wills us to be a family, diverse yet truly one:
O let us give our gifts to God, and so shall His work on earth be done.

We are a temple, the Spirit's dwelling place, formed in great weakness, a cup to hold God's grace; we die alone, for on its own each member loses fire: yet joined in one the flame burns on to give warmth and light, and to inspire.

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**Scriptural Benediction** 

Postlude

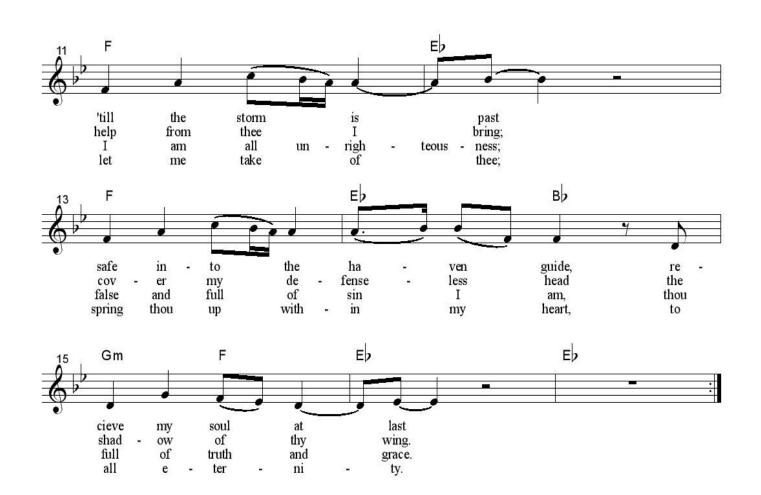
### Sermon Outline "Paul's Family Letter" Philemon 1-25

I.	Fellowship conveys Affection (v.1-2).
II.	Fellowship creates Unity (v. 1-2).
111.	Fellowship caused by the Gospel (v.3).

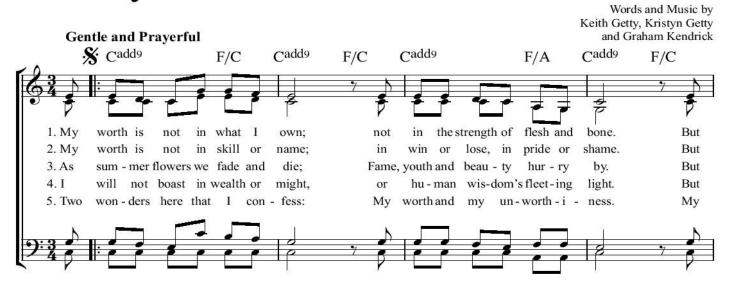
## JESUS, LOVER OF MY SOUL

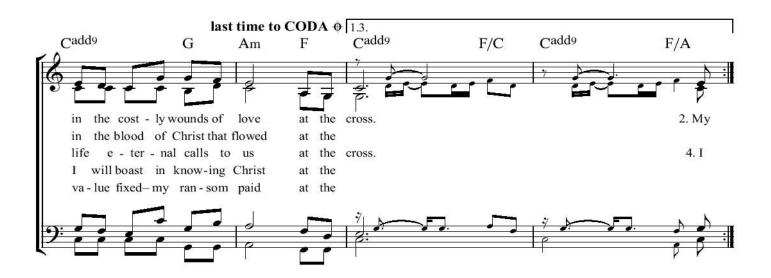
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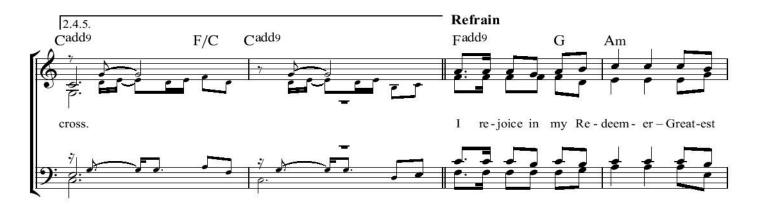




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