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Gospel Centered CHRIST EXALTING

*The Lord's Day*June 25, 2023

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,

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"Blessed be the LORD, who has not left you this day without a redeemer." Ruth 4:14

Prelude

During the prelude selection, prepare for worship by reflecting on Ruth 4:14 printed above.

Life of the Church

Call to Worship

1 John 5:20

And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true; and we are in him who is true, in his Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life.

Invocation

Hymn

"O Worship the King"

O worship the King all glorious above, O gratefully sing His power and His love; our shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

O tell of His might, O sing of His grace, whose robe is the light, whose canopy space. His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, and dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

The earth with its store of wonders untold, Almighty, Your pow'r has founded of old; has 'stablished it fast by a changeless decree, and round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Your bountiful care, what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air, it shines in the light; it streams from the hills; it descends to the plain; and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in You do we trust, nor find You to fail; Your mercies how tender, how firm to the end, our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

O measureless Might! Ineffable Love! While angels delight to hymn You above, the humbler creation, though feeble their lays, with true adoration shall lisp to Your praise.

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- [1] The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham.
- [2] Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers,
- [3] and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar, and Perez the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Ram,
- [4] and Ram the father of Amminadab, and Amminadab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon,
- [5] and Salmon the father of Boaz by Rahab, and Boaz the father of Obed by Ruth, and Obed the father of Jesse,
- [6] and Jesse the father of David the king. And David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uriah,
- [7] and Solomon the father of Rehoboam, and Rehoboam the father of Abijah, and Abijah the father of Asaph,
- [8] and Asaph the father of Jehoshaphat, and Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, and Joram the father of Uzziah,
- [9] and Uzziah the father of Jotham, and Jotham the father of Ahaz, and Ahaz the father of Hezekiah,
- [10] and Hezekiah the father of Manasseh, and Manasseh the father of Amos, and Amos the father of Josiah,
- [11] and Josiah the father of Jechoniah and his brothers, at the time of the deportation to Babylon.
- [12] And after the deportation to Babylon: Jechoniah was the father of Shealtiel, and Shealtiel the father of Zerubbabel,
- [13] and Zerubbabel the father of Abiud, and Abiud the father of Eliakim, and Eliakim the father of Azor,
- [14] and Azor the father of Zadok, and Zadok the father of Achim, and Achim the father of Eliud,
- [15] and Eliud the father of Eleazar, and Eleazar the father of Matthan, and Matthan the father of Jacob,
- [16] and Jacob the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom Jesus was born, who is called Christ.
- [17] So all the generations from Abraham to David were fourteen generations, and from David to the deportation to Babylon fourteen generations, and from the deportation to Babylon to the Christ fourteen generations.

Congregational Prayer

Bob Tramel, Ruling Elder

Offertory and Collection of Tithes and Offerings

"It Is Well with My Soul" arr. by Gary Lanier

Galatians 4:4-7

[4] But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, [5] to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. [6] And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!"
[7] So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

Hymn

"Sing a New Song to Jehovah (Psalm 98)" to the tune "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

Sing a new song to Jehovah for the wonders He has wrought; His right hand and arm most holy triumph to His cause have brought. In His love and tender mercy He has made salvation known, in the sight of ev'ry nation He His righteousness has shown.

Truth and mercy toward His people He has ever kept in mind, and His full and free salvation He has shown to all mankind. Sing, O earth, sing to Jehovah, praises to Jehovah sing; with the swelling notes of music shout before the Lord, the King.

Seas with all your fullness thunder, all earth's peoples now rejoice; floods and hills in praise uniting, to the Lord lift up your voice. For, behold the Lord is coming, robed in justice and in might; He alone will judge the nations, and His judgment shall be right.

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Corporate Confession of Sin

Almighty and most merciful Father, we are thankful that Your mercy is higher than the heavens, wider than our wanderings, deeper than all our sin. Forgive our careless attitudes toward Your purposes, our refusal to relieve the suffering of others, our envy of those who have more than we have, our obsession with creating a life of constant pleasure, our indifference to the treasures of heaven, our neglect of Your wise and gracious law. Help us to change our way of life so that we may desire what is good, love what You love, and do what You command, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Individual Prayer and Meditation (silent prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

Luke 24:26-27

[46] "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, [47] and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem."

"O Father, You Are Sovereign"

O Father, You are sovereign in all the worlds You made; Your mighty Word was spoken and light and life obeyed. Your voice commands the seasons and bounds the ocean's shore, sets stars within their courses and stills the tempest's roar.

O Father, You are sovereign in all affairs of man; no pow'rs of death or darkness can thwart Your perfect plan. All chance and change transcending, supreme in time and space, You hold Your trusting children secure in Your embrace.

O Father, You are sovereign the Lord of human pain, transmuting earthly sorrows to gold of heav'nly gain.
All evil overruling, as none but Conqu'ror could, Your love pursues its purpose - our souls' eternal good.

O Father, You are sovereign! We see You dimly now, but soon before Your triumph earth's every knee shall bow. With this glad hope before us our faith springs up anew: our Sovereign Lord and Savior, we trust and worship You!

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Scripture Reading

Ruth 4:13-22

Pastor Coyle

[13] So Boaz took Ruth, and she became his wife. And he went in to her, and the LORD gave her conception, and she bore a son.

[14] Then the women said to Naomi, "Blessed be the LORD, who has not left you this day without a redeemer, and may his name be renowned in Israel!

[15] He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age, for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has given birth to him."

[16] Then Naomi took the child and laid him on her lap and became his nurse.

[17] And the women of the neighborhood gave him a name, saying, "A son has been born to Naomi." They named him Obed. He was the father of Jesse, the father of David.

[18] Now these are the generations of Perez: Perez fathered Hezron,

[19] Hezron fathered Ram, Ram fathered Amminadab,

[20] Amminadab fathered Nahshon, Nahshon fathered Salmon,

[21] Salmon fathered Boaz, Boaz fathered Obed,

[22] Obed fathered Jesse, and Jesse fathered David.

Sermon

"A Glorious Resolution"

Pastor Coyle

Hymn

"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

Hail to the Lord's Anointed, great David's greater Son! Hail, in the time appointed, His reign on earth begun! He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free, to take away transgression, and rule in equity.

He comes with comfort speedy to those who suffer wrong; to help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong; to give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light, whose souls, condemned and dying, were precious in His sight,

He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth; and love, joy, hope, like flowers, spring in His path to birth; before Him on the mountains shall peace, the herald, go; and righteousness, in fountains, from hill to valley flow.

O'er ev'ry foe victorious, He on His throne shall rest, from age to age more glorious, all-blessing and all-blessed; the tide of time shall never His covenant remove; His Name shall stand for ever—that Name to us is Love.

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Scriptural Benediction

Postlude

<u>Sermon Outline</u> "A Glorious Resolution" Ruth 4:13-22

I.	The Faithfulness of the Lord (v.13-14)
II.	
III.	The Foundation of the King (v.17b-22)

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