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Gospel Centered CHRIST EXALTING

*The Lord's Day*June 27, 2021

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.

"Now therefore fear the LORD and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness. Put away the gods that your fathers served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. And if it is evil in your eyes to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD."

Joshua 24:14-15

Prelude

During the prelude selection, prepare for worship by reflecting on Joshua 24:14-15 printed above.

Life of the Church

Call to Worship

Isaiah 46:9, 10

9 remember the former things of old; for I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like me,

declaring the end from the beginning and from ancient times things not yet done, saying, 'My counsel shall stand, and I will accomplish all my purpose,'

Invocation

Hymn

"My Faith Has Found a Resting Place"

My faith has found a resting place, from guilt my soul is freed; I trust the ever living One, His wounds for me shall plead.

refrain: I need no other argument,
I need no other plea,
It is enough that Jesus died,
And that He died for me.

Enough for me that Jesus saves, this ends my fear and doubt; a sinful soul I come to Him, He'll never cast me out.

refrain

My heart is leaning on the Word, the written Word of God; salvation by my Savior's name, salvation through His blood. **refrain**

My great physician heals the sick, the lost He came to save; for me His precious blood He shed, for me His life He gave. **refrain**

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- ¹ Manasseh was twelve years old when he began to reign, and he reigned fifty-five years in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Hephzibah.
- ² And he did what was evil in the sight of the LORD, according to the despicable practices of the nations whom the LORD drove out before the people of Israel.
- ³ For he rebuilt the high places that Hezekiah his father had destroyed, and he erected altars for Baal and made an Asherah, as Ahab king of Israel had done, and worshiped all the host of heaven and served them.
- 4 And he built altars in the house of the LORD, of which the LORD had said, "In Jerusalem will I put my name."
- ⁵And he built altars for all the host of heaven in the two courts of the house of the LORD.
- ⁶ And he burned his son as an offering^[a] and used fortune-telling and omens and dealt with mediums and with necromancers. He did much evil in the sight of the LORD, provoking him to anger.
- ⁷And the carved image of Asherah that he had made he set in the house of which the LORD said to David and to Solomon his son, "In this house, and in Jerusalem, which I have chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, I will put my name forever.
- ⁸ And I will not cause the feet of Israel to wander anymore out of the land that I gave to their fathers, if only they will be careful to do according to all that I have commanded them, and according to all the Law that my servant Moses commanded them."
- ⁹ But they did not listen, and Manasseh led them astray to do more evil than the nations had done whom the LORD destroyed before the people of Israel.

Congregational Prayer

Carl Monroe, Ruling Elder

Corporate Profession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into 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.

Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Presentation of the Offering

Jeff Rooker, Deacon

Hymn

"Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus"

O soul, are you weary and troubled? No light in the darkness you see? There's light for a look at the Savior, and life more abundant and free!

refrain: Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in His wonderful face; and the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of His glory and grace.

Through death into life everlasting He passed, and we follow Him there; over us sin no more hath dominion - for more than conqu'rors we are! **refrain**

His Word shall not fail you - He promised; believe Him, and all will be well: then go to a world that is dying, His perfect salvation to tell! **refrain**

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Corporate Confession of Sin

Almighty God, we confess that we have exchanged the truth about You for a lie; we have worship and served created things rather than You, our loving Creator.

Because of this our lives are empty, our relationships are broken and we deserve Your judgment.

Through Your Son, Jesus Christ, forgive our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

By Your Spirit, help us to trust in You and live for Your glory. We pray in Jesus name. Amen.

Individual Prayer and Meditation (silent prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

1 John 1:7-9

- ⁷ But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.
- 8 If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- ⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Hymn "O Great God"

O great God of highest heav'n occupy my lowly heart. Own it all and reign supreme, conquer every rebel pow'r. Let no vice of sin remain that resists Your holy war. You have loved and purchased me, make me Yours forevermore.

I was blinded by my sin, had no ears to hear Your voice, did not know Your love within, had no taste for heaven's joys. Then Your Spirit gave me life, opened up Your Word to me through the Gospel of Your Son, gave me endless hope and peace.

Help me now to live a life that's dependent on Your grace. Keep my heart and guard my soul from the evils that I face. You are worthy to be praised with my every thought and deed. O great God of highest heav'n, glorify Your Name through me. O great God of highest heav'n, glorify Your Name through me.

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Scripture

Colossians 2:16-23

- ¹⁶ Therefore let no one pass judgment on you in questions of food and drink, or with regard to a festival or a new moon or a Sabbath.
- ¹⁷ These are a shadow of the things to come, but the substance belongs to Christ.
- ¹⁸ Let no one disqualify you, insisting on asceticism and worship of angels, going on in detail about visions, puffed up without reason by his sensuous mind,
- ¹⁹ and not holding fast to the Head, from whom the whole body, nourished and knit together through its joints and ligaments, grows with a growth that is from God.
- ²⁰ If with Christ you died to the elemental spirits of the world, why, as if you were still alive in the world, do you submit to regulations —
- ²¹ "Do not handle, Do not taste, Do not touch"
- 22 (referring to things that all perish as they are used)— according to human precepts and teachings?
- ²³ These have indeed an appearance of wisdom in promoting self-made religion and asceticism and severity to the body, but they are of no value in stopping the indulgence of the flesh.

"The Supremacy and Sufficiency of Christ: the Dangers of 'Self-Made Religion"

Hymn

"Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting"

(sheet music pgs. 8 & 9)

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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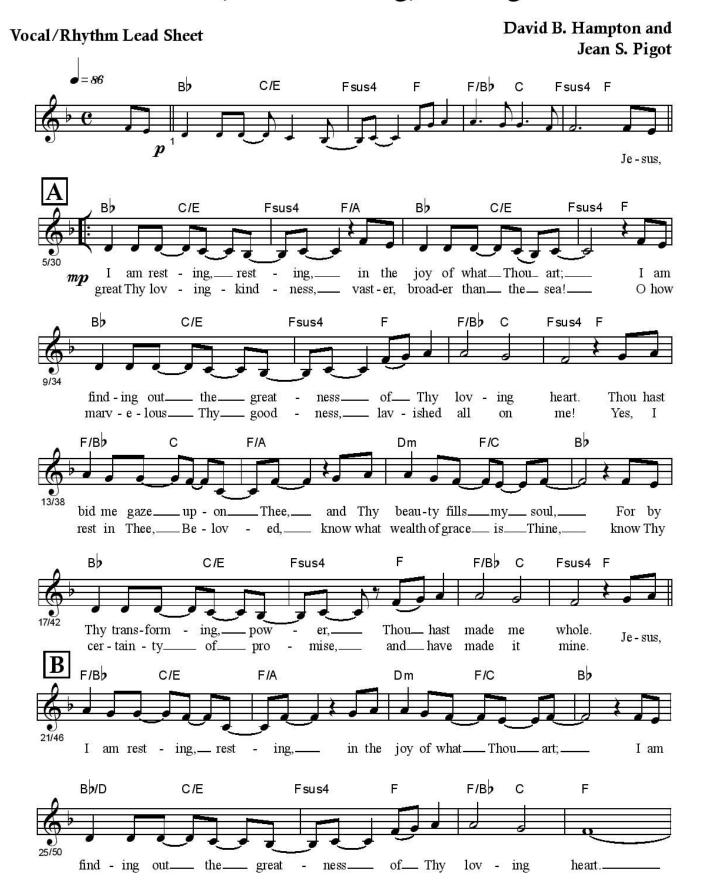
Scriptural Benediction

Postlude

Sermon Outline
"The Supremacy and Sufficiency of Christ: The Dangers of 'Self-Made Religion'"
Colossians 2:16-23

I. The Characteristic of the False Teaching.
II. The Problem of the False Teaching.
III. The Deception of the False Teaching.

Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting



"Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting"-- (Vocal/Rhythm Lead Sheet)--2



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