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Gospel Centered
CHRIST EXALTING

The Lord's Day
June 29, 2025

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 the church family to build community.

*“And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God,
and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.”*

John 17:3

Prelude

**During the prelude selection, prepare for worship
by reflecting on John 17:3 printed above.**

Life of the Church

Call to Worship

Isaiah 44:6-8

[6] Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: “I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god. [7] Who is like me? Let him proclaim it. Let him declare and set it before me, since I appointed an ancient people. Let them declare what is to come, and what will happen. [8] Fear not, nor be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? And you are my witnesses! Is there a God besides me? There is no Rock; I know not any.”

Invocation

Hymn

“Come, Let Us Sing unto the Lord”

Come, let us sing unto the Lord new songs of praise with sweet accord;
for wonders great by him are done, His hand and arm have vict’ry won.

The great salvation of our God is seen through all the earth abroad;
before the heathen's wond’ring sight He has revealed His truth and right.

He called to mind His truth and grace in promise made to Israel's race;
and unto earth's remotest bound glad tidings of salvation sound.

All lands, to God lift up your voice; sing praise to Him, with shouts rejoice,
with voice of joy and loud acclaim let all unite and praise His name.

For lo, He comes; at his command all nations shall in judgment stand;
in justice robed and throned in light, the Lord shall judge, dispensing right.

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Scripture Reading

Deuteronomy 4:32-40

Richard Long, Ruling Elder

Congregational Prayer

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Offertory and Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Presentation of the Offering

Jon Goodwin, Deacon

Corporate Profession of Faith

Deuteronomy 6:4-5

*[4] “Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one.
[5] You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart
and with all your soul and with all your might.*

Hymn

*“I Lift My Eyes up to the Hills (Psalm 121)”
(to the tune, “God Moves in a Mysterious Way”)*

I lift my eyes up to the hills, from where shall come my aid?
My help comes from the Lord above, Who heav’n and earth has made.

He will not let your foot be moved, your Keeper will not sleep.
Behold, He slumbers not, nor sleeps, for He will Isr’el keep.

At your right hand the Lord, your Keeper is your constant shade.
The moon shall strike you not by night, nor sun by light of day.

The Lord will keep you from all harm; He keeps your life secure.
Your going out and coming in, the Lord keeps evermore.

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Corporate Confession of Sin

Almighty God, we confess that we have not loved You
with our whole heart, soul, mind and strength.
We admit that our hearts are full of idols.
Even when we worship You, we are half-hearted;
our thoughts of You are too small; we make You
in our own image rather than worship You in spirit and in truth.
Thank You that You have saved us
and make us true worshipers through Jesus Christ.
By Your Spirit, help us to offer our whole lives in heartfelt worship.
In Jesus name, Amen.

Individual Prayer of Confession (Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

Colossians 1:13-14

*[13] He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and
transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son,*

[14] in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Hymn

"Before the Throne of God Above"

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea;
a great high Priest whose Name is Love, Who ever lives and pleads for me.

My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart;
I know that while in Heaven He stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart,
no tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within;
upward I look and see Him there, Who made an end of all my sin.

Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free;
for God the just is satisfied, to look on Him and pardon me,
to look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there the risen Lamb, my perfect spotless righteousness;
the great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace,
One with Himself I cannot die. My soul is purchased by His blood;
my life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God,
with Christ my Savior and my God!

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Scripture Reading

1 John 5:18-21

Sermon

"What We Know"

Pastor Coyle

Jesus I my cross have taken, all to leave and follow Thee;
destitute, despised, forsaken Thou from hence my all shalt be.
Perish every fond ambition, all I've sought or hoped or known;
yet how rich is my condition, God and heaven are still my own.

Let the world despise and leave me they have left my Savior too;
human hearts and looks deceive me, Thou art not like them untrue.
Oh while Thou dost smile upon me, God of wisdom, love and might,
foes may hate and friends disown me, show Thy face and all is bright.

Man may trouble and distress me, twill but drive me to Thy breast;
life with trials hard may press me, Heaven will bring me sweeter rest.
Oh 'tis not in grief to harm me, while Thy love is left to me;
Oh 'twere not in joy to charm me, were that joy unmixed with Thee.

Go then earthly fame and treasure, come disaster, scorn and pain;
in Thy service pain is pleasure, with Thy favor loss is gain
I have called Thee Abba Father, I have stayed my heart on Thee;
storms may howl and clouds may gather, all must work for good to me.

Soul then know thy full salvation rise o'er sin and fear and care'
joy to find in every station, something still to do or bear.
Think what Spirit dwells within thee, think what Father's smiles are thine;
think that Jesus died to win thee, child of heaven, canst thou repine.

Haste thee on from grace to glory, armed by faith and winged by prayer;
Heaven's eternal day's before thee, God's own hand shall guide thee there.
Soon shall close thy earthly mission, soon shall pass thy pilgrim days;
hope shall change to glad fruition, faith to sight and prayer to praise.

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Scriptural Benediction

Postlude

Sermon Outline
"What We Know"
1 John 5:18-21

I. We Know Safety (v.18)

II. We Know our Status (v.19)

III. We Know the Son (v.20)

1. How does God's protection comfort and strengthen you in your battle against sin?
2. Why is it important to recognize the power of the evil one over this world?
3. What idols in our culture and your own life threaten to turn you away from Christ?
4. How does this passage aid our assurance of eternal life (the theme of this letter)?

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