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CHRIST EXALTING

The Lord's Day
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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 my God will supply every need of yours
according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.”
Philippians 4:19*

Prelude

**During the prelude selection, prepare for worship
by reflecting on Philippians 4:19 printed above.**

Life of the Church

Call to Worship

Psalm 73:25-26

*[25] Whom have I in heaven but you?
And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you.*

*[26] My flesh and my heart may fail,
but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.*

Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

*Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in
Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us
our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil: for Thine is the King-
dom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.*

Hymn

“God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength”

God is our refuge and our strength, our ever present aid,
and, therefore, though the earth remove, we will not be afraid;
though hills amidst the seas be cast, though foaming waters roar,
yea, though the mighty billows shake the mountains on the shore.

A river flows whose streams make glad the city of our God,
the holy place wherein the Lord most high has His abode;
since God is in the midst of her, unmoved her walls shall stand,
for God will be her early help, when trouble is at hand.

The nations raged, the kingdoms moved, but when His voice was heard
the troubled earth was stilled to peace before His mighty word.

The Lord of hosts is on our side, our safety to secure,
the God of Jacob is for us a refuge strong and sure.

O come, behold what wondrous works Jehovah's hand has wrought;
come, see what desolation great He on the earth has brought.

To utmost ends of all the earth He causes war to cease;
the weapons of the strong destroyed, He makes abiding peace.

Be still and know that I am God, o'er all exalted high;
the subject nations of the earth my name shall magnify.
The Lord of Hosts is on our side, our safety to secure,
the God of Jacob is for us a refuge strong and sure.

[13] For when God made a promise to Abraham, since he had no one greater by whom to swear, he swore by himself,

[14] saying, "Surely I will bless you and multiply you."

[15] And thus Abraham, having patiently waited, obtained the promise.

[16] For people swear by something greater than themselves, and in all their disputes an oath is final for confirmation.

[17] So when God desired to show more convincingly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeable character of his purpose, he guaranteed it with an oath,

[18] so that by two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to hold fast to the hope set before us.

[19] We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain,

[20] where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.

Congregational Prayer

Bruce Hurlbut, Ruling Elder

Offertory and Collection of Tithes and Offerings

"With a Voice of Singing"

Choir

With a voice of singing declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia.

With a voice of singing declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia.

Utter it even unto the ends of the earth.

The Lord hath delivered His people, Alleluia.

The Lord hath delivered His people, Alleluia.

O be joyful in god, all ye lands, O sing praises to the honor of His name,
make His praise to be glorious.

With a voice of singing, declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia.

With a voice of singing, declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia.

With a voice of singing, declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia.

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Prayer of Thanksgiving and Presentation of the Offering

Jeff Rooker, Deacon

*"Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above,
coming down from the Father of lights with whom
there is no variation or shadow due to change."*

Hymn

"My Worth Is Not in What I Own"

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.

refrain: *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.

refrain

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

refrain

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Scripture Reading

Ruth 2:1-23

Pastor Coyle

[1] Now Naomi had a relative of her husband's, a worthy man of the clan of Elimelech, whose name was Boaz.

[2] And Ruth the Moabite said to Naomi, "Let me go to the field and glean among the ears of grain after him in whose sight I shall find favor." And she said to her, "Go, my daughter."

[3] So she set out and went and gleaned in the field after the reapers, and she happened to come to the part of the field belonging to Boaz, who was of the clan of Elimelech.

[4] And behold, Boaz came from Bethlehem. And he said to the reapers, "The LORD be with you!" And they answered, "The LORD bless you."

[5] Then Boaz said to his young man who was in charge of the reapers, "Whose young woman is this?"

[6] And the servant who was in charge of the reapers answered, "She is the young Moabite woman, who came back with Naomi from the country of Moab.

[7] She said, 'Please let me glean and gather among the sheaves after the reapers.' So she came, and she has continued from early morning until now, except for a short rest."

[8] Then Boaz said to Ruth, "Now, listen, my daughter, do not go to glean in another field or leave this one, but keep close to my young women.

[9] Let your eyes be on the field that they are reaping, and go after them. Have I not charged the young men not to touch you? And when you are thirsty, go to the vessels and drink what the young men have drawn."

[10] Then she fell on her face, bowing to the ground, and said to him, "Why have I found favor in your eyes, that you should take notice of me, since I am a foreigner?"

[11] But Boaz answered her, "All that you have done for your mother-in-law since the death of your husband has been fully told to me, and how you left your father and mother and your native land and came to a people that you did not know before.

[12] The LORD repay you for what you have done, and a full reward be given you by the LORD, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge!"

[13] Then she said, "I have found favor in your eyes, my lord, for you have comforted me and spoken kindly to your servant, though I am not one of your servants."

[14] And at mealtime Boaz said to her, "Come here and eat some bread and dip your morsel in the wine." So she sat beside the reapers, and he passed to her roasted grain. And she ate until she was satisfied, and she had some left over.

[15] When she rose to glean, Boaz instructed his young men, saying, "Let her glean even among the sheaves, and do not reproach her.

[16] And also pull out some from the bundles for her and leave it for her to glean, and do not rebuke her."

[17] So she gleaned in the field until evening. Then she beat out what she had gleaned, and it was about an ephah of barley.

[18] And she took it up and went into the city. Her mother-in-law saw what she had gleaned. She also brought out and gave her what food she had left over after being satisfied.

[19] And her mother-in-law said to her, "Where did you glean today? And where have you worked? Blessed be the man who took notice of you." So she told her mother-in-law with whom she had worked and said, "The man's name with whom I worked today is Boaz."

[20] And Naomi said to her daughter-in-law, "May he be blessed by the LORD, whose kindness has not forsaken the living or the dead!" Naomi also said to her, "The man is a close relative of ours, one of our redeemers."

[21] And Ruth the Moabite said, "Besides, he said to me, 'You shall keep close by my young men until they have finished all my harvest.'"

[22] And Naomi said to Ruth, her daughter-in-law, "It is good, my daughter, that you go out with his young women, lest in another field you be assaulted."

[23] So she kept close to the young women of Boaz, gleaning until the end of the barley and wheat harvests. And she lived with her mother-in-law.

Sermon

"In the Field of Favor"

Pastor Coyle

The Sacrament of The Lord's Supper

Hymn

"Come All Ye Pining Hungry Poor"

(sheet music pg. 9)

Lord we adore Thy boundless grace, the heights and depths unknown,
of pardon, life, and joy, and peace, in Thy beloved Son.

chorus: *Come, all ye pining, hungry, poor, the Savior's bounty taste,
behold a never failing store for ev'ry willing guest.*

O wondrous gifts of love divine, Dear Source of ev'ry good;
Jesus, in Thee what glories shine! How rich Thy flowing blood!
chorus

Here shall your num'rous wants receive a free, a full supply;
He has unmeasured bliss to give, and joys that never die.
chorus

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Invitation to The Lord's Supper

Corporate Confession of Sin

Our Father, forgive us for thinking small thoughts of You
and for ignoring Your immensity and greatness.
Lord Jesus, forgive us when we forget that You rule
the nations and our small lives.
Holy Spirit, we offend You in minimizing Your power
and squandering Your gifts.
We confess that our blindness to Your glory, O triune God,
has resulted in shallow confession, tepid conviction,
and only mild repentance. Have mercy upon us.
In Jesus' name. Amen.

Individual Prayer and Meditation (silent prayer)

[31] What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? [32] He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? [33] Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. [34] Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.

Prayer of Blessing

Distribution of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn

“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee;
let the water and the blood, from Thy riven side which flowed,
be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.

Not the labors of my hands can fulfil thy law's demands;
could my zeal no respite know, could my tears for ever flow,
all for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to Thy cross I cling;
naked, come to Thee for dress, helpless, look to Thee for grace;
foul, I to the Fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyelids close in death,
when I soar to worlds unknown, see Thee on Thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee.

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Scriptural Benediction

Postlude

Sermon Outline
“In the Field of Favor”
Ruth 2:1-23

I. Hope for Provision (v.1-3)

II. Means of Provision (v.4-13)

III. Bounty of Provision (v.14-17)


IV. Joy of Provision (v.18-23)

Come, All Ye Pining, Hungry Poor

Anne Steele (1716-1778)


Brian T Murphy

A A/C# F#m E D




1. Lord we a - dore thy bound - less grace.
 2. O won - drous gifts of love di - vine,
 3. Here shall your num - 'rous wants re - ceive

3 A/C# D Esus E




The heights and depths un - known,
 Dear Source of ev - 'ry good;
 A free, a full sup - ply;

5 A A/C# F#m E D



Of par - don, life, and joy, and peace,
 Je - sus, in thee what glo - ries shine!
 He has un - meas - ured bliss to give,

7 A/C# Esus E A



In thy be - lov - ed Son. Come, all ye pin -
 How rich thy flow - ing blood!
 And joys that nev - er die.

9 A A/G# F#m E D A/C# D E



ing, - hun - gry - poor, - The Sav - ior's boun - ty - taste; - Be - hold a ne -

13 A A/G# F#m E D A/C# E A



ver - fail - ing store. For ev - 'ry will - ing guest.

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