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*Gospel Centered*  
CHRIST EXALTING

*The Lord's Day*  
March 8, 2026

**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 I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send,  
and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here I am! Send me."  
Isaiah 6:8*

Prelude

**During the prelude selection, prepare for worship  
by reflecting on Isaiah 6:8 printed above.**

Life of the Church and Introduction of Conference Participants

Rev. Michael and Kelly Alsup  
Pastor Gabriel Diaz and Olga Sanchez  
Rev. Kevin Hale  
Rev. Tom and Karen Mirabella  
Rev. Ben and Kirstin Spivey

Call to Worship

Psalm 67

*[1] May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, [2] that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations. [3] Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you! [4] Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth. [5] Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you! [6] The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us. [7] God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!*

Invocation

Flag Ceremony Processional (explanation on pg. 5)

Hymn

*"The Lord Almighty Reigns"*

There's an endless song waiting to be sung  
with the voice of every tribe the sound of every tongue  
when the bride of Christ on that day of days  
brings with joy unto the Lamb a multitude of praise  
like the roar of mighty seas and rolls of thunder  
hear His people sing:

**chorus:** Hallelujah, hallelujah for the Lord Almighty reigns.  
Hallelujah, hallelujah  
for the Lord, our God, the Almighty reigns.

We will join the feast rest from battles won  
tell with great rejoicing all the wonders God has done  
and like the roar of mighty seas and rolls of thunder  
all the church will sing:

**chorus**

Certain of that day Christ we will proclaim  
Oh, that more would share the prize salvation in His name  
then greater will the anthem ring  
a mighty chorus rising to the King:

**chorus (2x)**

by Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, Matt Boswell, and Matt Papa/CCLI 209271

Scripture Reading

Psalm 96

Carl Monroe, Ruling Elder

Congregational Prayer

Carl Monroe, Ruling Elder

Offertory and Collection of Tithes and Offerings

*“Ye Shall Be Witnesses”*

Choir

Ye shall receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you,  
and ye shall be My witnesses, and ye shall be My witnesses  
unto the ends,  
unto the ends of the earth.  
Jerusalem! Judea! Samaria, and the ends of the earth!  
Witnesses to the ends of the earth!  
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Prayer of Thanksgiving and Presentation of the Offering

Bryant Young, Deacon

Corporate Profession of Faith

This is the good news that we have received, in which we stand,  
and by which we are saved, if we hold fast:  
That Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures,  
that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day,  
and that He appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to  
the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses.  
We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living  
God. Jesus is the first and the last, the beginning and the end;  
He is our Lord and our God.

Corporate Confession of Sin

Almighty and most merciful Father,  
we confess that we have not trusted You with our whole heart;  
We have leaned on our own understanding and been wise in our own eyes;  
In our thoughts, words and deeds we have not acknowledged You and so our paths have  
been crooked before You.  
Forgive us our sins and teach us by Your Spirit to fear You and to turn away from evil,  
to the glory of our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

Individual Prayer of Confession (Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

Romans 8:1-4

*[1] There is therefore now no condemnation for those who  
are in Christ Jesus.*

*[2] For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ  
Jesus from the law of sin and death.*

*[3] For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh,  
could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful  
flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh,*

*[4] in order that the righteous requirement of the law might  
be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but  
according to the Spirit.*

Hymn

*“Let Your Kingdom Come”*

Your glorious cause, O God, engages our hearts.  
May Jesus Christ be known wherever we are.  
We ask not for ourselves, but for Your renown.  
The cross has saved us so we pray, Your Kingdom come.

**chorus:** *Let Your Kingdom come, let Your will be done,  
So that everyone might know Your Name.  
Let Your song be heard everywhere on earth,  
Till Your sovereign work on earth Is done. Let Your Kingdom come.*

Give us Your strength, O God, and courage to speak.  
Perform Your wondrous deeds through those who are weak.  
Lord, use us as You want, whatever the test.  
By grace we'll preach Your Gospel till our dying breath.

**chorus**

Sovereign Grace Praise (BMA)/CCLI 209271

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 6

Sermon

*“Missions and the Glory of God”*

Rev. Michael Alsup

Collection of Faith Promise Pledges

Hymn

*“Christ, for the World We Sing”*

Christ for the world we sing; the world to Christ we bring  
with loving zeal; the poor and them that mourn,  
the faint and overborne, sin-sick and sorrow-worn,  
whom Christ doth heal.

Christ for the world we sing; the world to Christ we bring  
with fervent pray'r; the wayward and the lost,  
by restless passions tossed, redeemed at countless cost  
from dark despair.

Christ for the world we sing; the world to Christ we bring  
with one accord; with us the work to share,  
with us reproach to dare, with us the cross to bear,  
for Christ our Lord.

Christ for the world we sing; the world to Christ we bring  
with joyful song; the newborn souls whose days,  
reclaimed from error's ways, inspired with hope and praise  
to Christ belong.

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Scriptural Benediction

Postlude

Sermon Notes  
*“Missions and the Glory of God”*  
Isaiah 6

***Flag Ceremony***

The flags displayed represent countries where members of our missionary field serve. These flags remind us to pray for our missionaries and the countries in which they serve. We are also reminded by these flags that we are to be “world Christians.”

Matthew 28:18-20

## **RULING ELDERS**

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Mr. Jake Hilburn, Guitarist

Mrs. Valerie Hilliard, Vocalist  
Mrs. Katie Hughes, Pianist

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