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Gospel Centered
CHRIST EXALTING

The Lord's Day
May 24, 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.

*"But as for you, teach what accords with sound doctrine...
so that in everything they may adorn the doctrine of God our Savior."*

Titus 2:1, 10

Prelude

**During the prelude selection, prepare for worship
by reflecting on Titus 2:1, 10 printed above.**

Life of the Church

Call to Worship

Psalm 107:1-3, 31-32

[1] Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever! [2] Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he has redeemed from trouble [3] and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

[31] Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of man! [32] Let them extol him in the congregation of the people, and praise him in the assembly of the elders.

Invocation

Hymn

"Come, People of the Risen King"

Come, people of the risen King, who delight to bring Him praise.
Come all, and tune your hearts to sing to the Morning Star of grace.
From the shifting shadows of the earth we will lift our eyes to Him,
where steady arms of mercy reach to gather children in.

refrain: *Rejoice! Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice; oh, church of Christ, rejoice!*

Come those whose joy is morning sun, and those weeping through the night.
Come, those who tell of battles won, and those struggling in the fight.
For His perfect love will never change, and His mercies never cease,
but follow us through all our days with the certain hope of peace.

refrain

Come, young and old from every land, men and women of the faith.
Come, those with full or empty hands; find the riches of His grace.
Over all the world His people sing; shore to shore we hear them call
the Truth that cries through every age; "Our God is all in all."

refrain

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Scripture Reading

Proverbs 4

Jim Lewis, Ruling Elder

Congregational Prayer

Jim Lewis, Ruling Elder

“The Lily of the Valley”

Ladies Ensemble

I have found a friend in Jesus, He's everything to me, He's the fairest of ten thousand to my soul;
The Lily of the Valley, in Him alone I see all I need to cleanse and make me fully whole.
In sorrow He's my comfort, in trouble He's my stay; He tells me every care on Him to roll:
He's the Lily of the Valley, the Bright and Morning Star, He's the fairest of ten thousand to my soul.

He all my grief has taken and all my sorrows borne: in temptation He's my strong and mighty tower:
I have all for Him forsaken, and all my idols torn from my heart and now He keeps me by His power.
Tho all the world forsake me, and Satan tempt me sore, through Jesus I shall safely reach the goal.
He's the Lily of the Valley, the bright and Morning Star, He's the fairest of ten thousand to my soul.

He will never, never leave me, nor yet forsake me here, while I live by faith and do His blessed will;
A wall of fire about me, I've nothing now to fear, with His manna He my hungry soul shall fill.
Then sweeping up to glory to see His blessed face, where rivers of delight shall ever roll:
He's the Lily of the Valley, the bright and Morning Star, He's the fairest of ten thousand to my soul.

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Prayer of Thanksgiving and Presentation of the Offering

Andrew Kinzler, Deacon

Corporate Profession of Faith Westminster Confession of Faith, Chapter 26.1

All saints, that are united to Jesus Christ their Head, by His Spirit, and by faith, have fellowship with Him in His grace, sufferings, death, resurrection, and glory: and, being united to one another in love, they have communion in each other's gifts and graces, and are obliged to the performance of such duties, public and private, as do conduce to their mutual good, both in the inward and outward man.

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.

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Corporate Confession of Sin

Our Father in heaven,
we confess that we have not honored Your name;
we have not sought Your kingdom first;
we have not done Your will.
We have made idols of possessions and people
and used Your name for causes that are not consistent
with You and Your purposes.
Forgive us, O God, for the many ways we fall short of Your glory.
Help us to learn to live together according to Your ways
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Individual Prayer of Confession (Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

1 Peter 2:9-10

[9] But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

[10] Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Hymn

"Oh, How Good It Is"

Oh how good it is when the fam'ly of God
dwells together in spirit, in faith and unity;
where the bonds of peace, of acceptance and love
are the fruit of His presence here among us.

chorus: *So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord,
and with one heart we'll live out His Word;
till the whole world sees the Redeemer has come,
for He dwells in the presence of His people.*

Oh how good it is on this journey we share
to rejoice with the happy, and weep with those who mourn;
for the weak find strength, the afflicted find grace,
when we offer the blessing of belonging.

chorus

Oh how good it is to embrace His command
to prefer one another, forgive as He forgives;
when we live as one we all share in the love
of the Son, with the Father, and the Spirit.

chorus

For all the saints who from this labors rest
to Thee by faith before the world confess
Thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blessed
alleluia, Allelu!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress and their might;
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true Light.
Alleluia, Allelu!

O may Thy soldiers faithful, true, and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
and win with them the victor’s crown of gold.
Alleluia, Allelu!

The golden evening brightens in the west;
soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest;
sweet is the calm of paradise the blest,
alleluia. Allelu!

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
the saints triumphant rise in bright array;
the King of glory passes on His way,
alleluia, Allelu!

From earth’s wide bounds, from ocean’s farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
alleluia! Allelu!

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Sermon Outline
"Godliness in Community"
Titus 2:1-10

I. The Call to Sound Doctrine (v.1)

II. The Community for Sound Doctrine (v.2-10)

III. The Consequences of Sound Doctrine (v.5b, 8b, 10b)

1. Where do you see the evidence of sound doctrine in your own life? In the life of this church?
2. Which group that Paul describes applies to you? How might you faithfully engage this community in light of Paul's instructions?
3. What does your conduct declare about Christ, the Gospel, and the Church?

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