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CHRIST EXALTING

The Lord's Day
November 6, 2022

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 families to build community.

*“Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken,
and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe,
for our God is a consuming fire.”*

Hebrews 12:28-29

Prelude

**During the prelude selection, prepare for worship
by reflecting on Hebrews 12:28-29 printed above.**

Life of the Church

Call to Worship

Daniel 4:3

*How great are his signs, how mighty his wonders!
His kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and his
dominion endures from generation to generation.*

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
Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Hymn

“Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim!”

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
and publish abroad His wonderful Name;
the Name, all victorious, of Jesus extol;
His kingdom is glorious and rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save;
and still He is nigh—His presence we have.
The great congregation His triumph shall sing,
ascribing salvation to Jesus, our King.

Salvation to God who sits on the throne!
Let all cry aloud and honor the Son.
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore, and give Him his right,
all glory and pow’r, and wisdom and might,
all honor and blessing, with angels above,
and thanks never ceasing for infinite love.

Deuteronomy 4:15-31

- 15 “Therefore watch yourselves very carefully. Since you saw no form on the day that the LORD spoke to you at Horeb out of the midst of the fire,*
- 16 beware lest you act corruptly by making a carved image for yourselves, in the form of any figure, the likeness of male or female,*
- 17 the likeness of any animal that is on the earth, the likeness of any winged bird that flies in the air,*
- 18 the likeness of anything that creeps on the ground, the likeness of any fish that is in the water under the earth.*
- 19 And beware lest you raise your eyes to heaven, and when you see the sun and the moon and the stars, all the host of heaven, you be drawn away and bow down to them and serve them, things that the LORD your God has allotted to all the peoples under the whole heaven.*
- 20 But the LORD has taken you and brought you out of the iron furnace, out of Egypt, to be a people of his own inheritance, as you are this day.*
- 21 Furthermore, the LORD was angry with me because of you, and he swore that I should not cross the Jordan, and that I should not enter the good land that the LORD your God is giving you for an inheritance.*
- 22 For I must die in this land; I must not go over the Jordan. But you shall go over and take possession of that good land.*
- 23 Take care, lest you forget the covenant of the LORD your God, which he made with you, and make a carved image, the form of anything that the LORD your God has forbidden you.*
- 24 For the LORD your God is a consuming fire, a jealous God.*
- 25 “When you father children and children's children, and have grown old in the land, if you act corruptly by making a carved image in the form of anything, and by doing what is evil in the sight of the LORD your God, so as to provoke him to anger,*
- 26 I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that you will soon utterly perish from the land that you are going over the Jordan to possess. You will not live long in it, but will be utterly destroyed.*
- 27 And the LORD will scatter you among the peoples, and you will be left few in number among the nations where the LORD will drive you.*
- 28 And there you will serve gods of wood and stone, the work of human hands, that neither see, nor hear, nor eat, nor smell.*
- 29 But from there you will seek the LORD your God and you will find him if you search after him with all your heart and with all your soul.*

30 When you are in tribulation, and all these things come upon you in the latter days, you will return to the LORD your God and obey his voice.

31 For the LORD your God is a merciful God. He will not leave you or destroy you or forget the covenant with your fathers that he swore to them.

Congregational Prayer

Carl Monroe, Ruling Elder

Offertory and Collection of Tithes and Offerings

“If With All Your Hearts”

by Felix Mendelssohn/arr. by Arnold B. Sherman

Choir

“If with all your hearts you truly seek me,
you shall ever surely find me,” thus saith our God.

“If with all your hearts you truly seek me,
you shall ever surely find me,” thus saith our God.

Thus saith our God.

Oh! that I knew where I might find Him,
that I might even come before His presence!

Oh! that I knew where I might find Him,
that I might even come before His presence!

Come before His presence!

Oh, that I knew where I might find Him!

“If with all your hearts you truly seek me,
you shall ever surely find me,” thus saith our God.
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Prayer of Thanksgiving and Presentation of the Offering

Bob Davis, Deacon

Corporate Profession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism Q. 1

What is your only comfort in life and death?

That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul,
both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.

He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood,
and has set me free from all the power of the devil.

He also preserves me in such a way
that without the will of my heavenly Father
not a hair can fall from my head;
indeed, all things must work together for my salvation.

Therefore, by His Holy Spirit He also assures me
of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready
from now on to live for Him.

Hymn

“Have Thine Own Way, Lord!”
(stanzas 1 & 2)

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!
Thou art the Potter, I am the clay.
Mold me and make me after Thy will,
while I am waiting, yielded and still.

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!
Search me and try me, Master, today!
Whiter than snow, Lord, wash me just now,
as in Thy presence humbly I bow.

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Corporate Confession of Sin

O merciful God, full of compassion and of great pity,
who spares us from the fullness of suffering when we
deserve punishment. Make us earnestly to repent. Make
the remembrance of our sin so burdensome that we may
flee to You with a troubled spirit and contrite heart.
O merciful Lord, visit, comfort, and relieve us that we
might live toward Your glory and for grace toward oth-
ers. Cast us not from Your presence, and take not Your
Holy Spirit from us, but excite in us true repentance that
receives the righteousness of Jesus. Amen.

Individual Prayer and Meditation (Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 130:7-8

*7 O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast
love, and with him is plentiful redemption. 8 And he will redeem
Israel from all his iniquities.*

Hymn

“Have Thine Own Way, Lord!”
(stanzas 3 & 4)

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!
Wounded and weary, help me, I pray!
Power, all power, surely is Thine!
Touch me and heal me, Savior divine!

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!
Hold o'er my being absolute sway!
Fill with Thy Spirit 'till all shall see
Christ only, always, living in me!

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- 18 For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest*
- 19 and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them.*
- 20 For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned."*
- 21 Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear."*
- 22 But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering,*
- 23 and to the assembly^[a] of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect,*
- 24 and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.*
- 25 See that you do not refuse him who is speaking. For if they did not escape when they refused him who warned them on earth, much less will we escape if we reject him who warns from heaven.*
- 26 At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens."*
- 27 This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of things that are shaken—that is, things that have been made—in order that the things that cannot be shaken may remain.*
- 28 Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe,*
- 29 for our God is a consuming fire.*

Sermon

"The Response to an Unshakable Kingdom"

Pastor Reed

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.

Invitation to The Lord's Supper

Distribution of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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

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Scriptural Benediction

Postlude

Sermon Outline
“The Response to an Unshakable Kingdom”
Hebrews 12:18-29

I. The Earthly Sinai.

II. The Heavenly Zion.

III. The Unshakable Kingdom.

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