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*Gospel Centered*  
CHRIST EXALTING

*The Lord's Day*  
October 12, 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.

*“For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing;  
it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.  
For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works,  
which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.”*  
Ephesians 2:8-10

Prelude

**During the prelude selection, prepare for worship  
by reflecting on Ephesians 2:8-10 printed above.**

Life of the Church

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

Hymn

*“Immovable Our Hope Remains”*

Immovable our hope remains though shifting sands before us lie.  
The One who washed away our stains shall bear us safely to the skies.  
The floods may rise, the winds may beat, torrential rains descend,  
yet God His own will not forget; He'll love and keep us till the end;  
You'll love and keep us till the end.

This is eternal life: to know the living God and Christ, the Son.  
The Savior will not let us go until His saving work is done.  
Our debt was great, as was our need, but now the price is paid.  
Who can behold Immanuel bleed and doubt His willingness to save?  
We trust Your willingness to save.

The Lord acquits, who can condemn? Though Satan's accusations fly  
his pow'r can never reach our names to blot them from the Book of Life.  
The Son has surely made us free His Word forever stands;  
and all our joy is knowing we are graven on His wounded hands;  
we're graven on Your wounded hands.

Built into Christ, secure we stand, for with His Spirit we've been sealed.  
By grace we'll see the promised land where every sorrow shall be healed.  
To God who gave His only Son, to Jesus Christ, our Lord,  
to God the Spirit, Three-in-one, be songs of praise forevermore;  
we'll sing Your praise forevermore.

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 55:1-9

Carl Monroe, Ruling Elder

Congregational Prayer

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Offertory and Collection of Tithes and Offerings

*“The Song of Isaiah”*

Adult and Children’s Choir

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Presentation of the Offering

Andrew Kinzler, Deacon

Corporate Profession of Faith

Romans 8

*We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.  
We know that all things work together for good for those who love God,  
who are called according to God’s purpose.  
We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers,  
nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor  
depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us  
from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.*

Hymn

*“The Power of The Cross”*

Oh, to see the dawn of the darkest day:  
Christ on the road to Calvary. Tried by sinful men,  
torn and beaten, then nailed to a cross of wood.

**chorus:** *This, the power of the cross: Christ became sin for us,  
took the blame, bore the wrath: we stand forgiven at the cross.*

Oh, to see the pain written on Your face  
bearing the awesome weight of sin; every bitter thought,  
every evil deed crowning Your bloodstained brow.

**chorus**

Now the daylight flees, now the ground beneath  
quakes as its Maker bows His head. Curtain torn in two,  
dead are raised to life; ‘Finished!’ the victory cry.

**chorus**

Oh, to see my name written in the wounds,  
for through Your suffering I am free. Death is crushed to death,  
life is mine to live, won through Your selfless love.

**final chorus:** *This, the power of the cross: Son of God, slain for us.  
What a love! What a cost! We stand forgiven at the cross.*

## Corporate Confession of Sin

Heavenly Father, You have loved us with an everlasting love,  
but we have not loved You from the heart nor have we loved  
our neighbors as ourselves.  
You have shown us mercy, but we have been harsh and unforgiving.  
You show love to all, but we show favor only to our friends.  
Our hearts are corrupt and we are guilty.  
Please forgive us and cleanse us from our sin.  
Help us by Your Spirit to reflect Your love and kindness.  
In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

## Individual Prayer of Confession (Silent Prayer)

### Assurance of Pardon

Romans 5:8-10

*[8] but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners,  
Christ died for us.  
[9] Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood,  
much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.  
[10] For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God  
by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled,  
shall we be saved by his life.*

### Hymn

*“My Faith Has Found a Resting Place”*

My faith has found a resting place, from guilt my soul is freed;  
I trust the ever living One, His wounds for me shall plead.

**refrain:** *I need no other argument,  
I need no other plea,  
it is enough that Jesus died,  
and that He died for me.*

Enough for me that Jesus saves, this ends my fear and doubt;  
a sinful soul I come to Him, He'll never cast me out.

**refrain**

My heart is leaning on the Word, the written Word of God:  
salvation by my Savior's name, salvation through His blood.

**refrain**

My great physician heals the sick, the lost He came to save;  
for me His precious blood He shed, for me His life He gave.

**refrain**

Sermon

*"The Beauty of Grace"*

Pastor Reed

Hymn

*"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"*

Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heav'n, to earth come down:  
fix in us Thy humble dwelling, all Thy faithful mercies crown:  
Jesus, Thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love Thou art;  
visit us with Thy salvation, enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit into ev'ry troubled breast;  
let us all in Thee inherit, let us find the promised rest:  
take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;  
End of faith, as its Beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all Thy life receive;  
suddenly return, and never, never more Thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing, serve Thee as Thy hosts above,  
pray, and praise Thee, without ceasing, glory in Thy perfect love.

Finish, then, Thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be:  
let us see Thy great salvation perfectly restored in Thee;  
changed from glory into glory, till in heav'n we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before Thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

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Scriptural Benediction

Postlude

Sermon Outline  
*"The Beauty of Grace"*  
Mark 14:66-72

I. Bold Peter.

II. Broken Peter.

III. Beautiful Peter.

1. How does Ephesians 3:7-13 (especially verse 12) guide us in living as bold Christians?
2. Think about a time you experienced brokenness. How did God use that in your life? (Psalm 51:17; James 4:6-10).
3. What do we learn about Peter's restoration in Ephesians 2:8-10, John 21:15-19 and Luke 22:31-34?

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