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Gospel Centered
CHRIST EXALTING

The Lord's Day
October 24, 2021

Covenant's Mission Statement
Covenant seeks to glorify God by
Establishing Disciples biblically,
Engaging Culture redemptively,
Expanding Christ's Church faithfully.

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.

"that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ."

1 Peter 4:11b

Prelude

During the prelude selection, prepare for worship by reflecting on 1 Peter 4:11b printed above.

Life of the Church

Call to Worship

Hebrews 10:19-23

¹⁹ Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful.

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

"O Worship the King"

O worship the King all glorious above,
O gratefully sing His power and His love;
our shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,
whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
and dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

Your bountiful care, what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
it streams from the hills; it descends to the plain;
and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
in You do we trust, nor find You to fail;
Your mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

O measureless Might! Ineffable Love!
While angels delight to hymn You above,
the humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
with true adoration shall lisp to Your praise.

Hymn

“Before the Throne of God Above”

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea;
a great high Priest whose Name is Love, Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart;
I know that while in Heaven He stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart,
no tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within;
upward I look and see Him there, Who made an end of all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free;
for God the just is satisfied, to look on Him and pardon me,
to look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there the risen Lamb, my perfect spotless righteousness;
the great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace,
One with Himself I cannot die. My soul is purchased by His blood;
my life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God,
with Christ my Savior and my God!

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Scripture Reading

Psalms 57

Carl Monroe, Ruling Elder

- ¹ *Be merciful to me, O God, be merciful to me, for in you my soul takes refuge; in the shadow of your wings I will take refuge, till the storms of destruction pass by.*
- ² *I cry out to God Most High, to God who fulfills his purpose for me.*
- ³ *He will send from heaven and save me; he will put to shame him who tramples on me. God will send out his steadfast love and his faithfulness!*
- ⁴ *My soul is in the midst of lions; I lie down amid fiery beasts— the children of man, whose teeth are spears and arrows, whose tongues are sharp swords.*
- ⁵ *Be exalted, O God, above the heavens! Let your glory be over all the earth!*
- ⁶ *They set a net for my steps; my soul was bowed down. They dug a pit in my way, but they have fallen into it themselves.*
- ⁷ *My heart is steadfast, O God, my heart is steadfast! I will sing and make melody!*
- ⁸ *Awake, my glory! Awake, O harp and lyre! I will awake the dawn!*
- ⁹ *I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples; I will sing praises to you among the nations.*
- ¹⁰ *For your steadfast love is great to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.*
- ¹¹ *Be exalted, O God, above the heavens! Let your glory be over all the earth!*

Corporate Profession of Faith

Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth.

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!

To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

David Matlock, Deacon

Hymn

“Have Thine Own Way, Lord!”

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.

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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Corporate Confession of Sin

We confess, our Father,
that we do not live up to the family name.
We are more ready to resent than to forgive,
more ready to manipulate than to serve,
more ready to fear than to love,
more ready to keep our distance than to welcome,
more ready to compete than to help.
At the root of this behavior is mistrust.
We do not love one another as we should,
because we do not believe that you love us as you do.
Forgive us our cold unbelief.
And make more vivid to us the meaning
and depth of your love at the cross.
Show us what it cost you to give up your Son
that we might become your sons and daughters.
We ask this in the name of Jesus our righteousness.
Amen.

Individual Prayer and Meditation (silent prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

Micah 7:18-20

¹⁸ Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love.

¹⁹ He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our^l sins into the depths of the sea.

²⁰ You will show faithfulness to Jacob and steadfast love to Abraham, as you have sworn to our fathers from the days of old.

Hymn

(sheet music pgs. 8 & 9)

“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

1 Peter 4:7-11

⁷ The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers.

⁸ Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins.

⁹ Show hospitality to one another without grumbling.

¹⁰ *As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another,
as good stewards of God's varied grace:*

¹¹ *whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God;
whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength
that God supplies—in order that in everything God
may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong
glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.*

Sermon

“A Community for the Glory of God”

Pastor Coyle

Hymn

“We Are God's People”

We are God's people, the chosen of the Lord,
born of His Spirit, established by His Word;
our cornerstone is Christ alone, and strong in Him we stand:
O let us live transparently, and walk heart to heart and hand in hand.

We are God's loved ones, the Bride of Christ our Lord,
for we have known it, the love of God outpoured
now let us learn how to return the gift of love once giv'n:
O let us share each joy and care, and live with a zeal that pleases heav'n.

We are the Body of which the Lord is Head,
called to obey Him, now risen from the dead;
He wills us to be a family, diverse yet truly one:
O let us give our gifts to God, and so shall His work on earth be done.

We are a temple, the Spirit's dwelling place,
formed in great weakness, a cup to hold God's grace;
we die alone, for on its own each member loses fire:
yet joined in one the flame burns on to give warmth and light, and to inspire.

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Scriptural Benediction

Postlude

Sermon Outline
“A Community for the Glory of God”
1 Peter 4:7-11

I. A Proper Perspective (v. 7a).

II. Proper Practices (v. 7b-11a).

III. The Proper Purpose (v. 11b).

My Worth is Not In What I Own

Words and Music by
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and Graham Kendrick

Gentle and Prayerful

1. My worth is not in what I own; not in the strength of flesh and bone. But
 2. My worth is not in skill or name; in win or lose, in pride or shame. But
 3. As sum - mer flowers we fade and die; Fame, youth and beau - ty hur - ry by. But
 4. I will not boast in wealth or might, or hu - man wis - dom's fleet - ing light. But
 5. Two won - ders here that I con - fess: My worth and my un - worth - i - ness. My

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treasure, Well-spring of my soul. I will trust in Him, no other; my soul is

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