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Gospel Centered
CHRIST EXALTING

The Lord's Day
September 28, 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.

*The LORD says to my Lord:
"Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies your footstool."
Psalm 110:1*

Prelude

**During the prelude selection, prepare for worship
by reflecting on Psalm 110:1 printed above.**

Life of the Church

Call to Worship

Lamentations 3:22-26

*[22] The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end;
[23] they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.
[24] "The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him."
[25] The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him.
[26] It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD.*

Invocation

Hymn

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace.
My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of Thy name.

Jesus the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
He breaks the pow'r of reigning sin, He sets the pris'ner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean, His blood availed for me.

He speaks and list'ning to His voice, new life the dead receive;
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice; the humble poor believe.
Hear Him ye deaf, His praise, ye dumb, your loosen'd tongues employ;
ye blind, behold your Savior come, and leap, ye lame, for joy.

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Scripture Reading

Psalm 110

Ken Knecht, Ruling Elder

Congregational Prayer

Ken Knecht, Ruling Elder

Offertory and Collection of Tithes and Offerings

"Precious Jesus"

Choir

All that I am and all that I can be,
all that I know and all that I can see:
these are the things my Jesus gave to me,
Jesus, my Lord and friend.
Once I was alone and day seemed dark as night.
Once I was blind, but I've been given sight.
Jesus, my redeemer led me to the light,
Jesus, my Lord and friend.
Precious Jesus, blessed Jesus, You're my life, my joy, my friend.
Precious Jesus, blessed Jesus, Your love is a love without end.
Now, like a shepherd, He guides me on my way.
Now I will follow; I cannot go astray.
Jesus, keep me near You; this I humbly pray,
Jesus, my Lord and friend.

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Corporate Profession of Faith

Philippians 2:5-11

Jesus Christ, being in very nature God,
did not consider equality with God something to be exploited;
rather, He made Himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant,
being made in human likeness.
And being found in appearance as a man,
He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to death— even death on a cross!
Therefore God exalted Him to the highest place
and gave Him the name that is above every name,
that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

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.

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Corporate Confession of Sin

O Lord, our great God, all holy,
Father most gracious, filled with mercy and steadfast love,
We are ashamed and embarrassed to come before You,
For we have preferred the ways of this world to Your ways,
We have rebelled against Your wisdom and have invited trouble,
We have rejected Your fatherly guidance and have gotten lost altogether.
O Lord, our great God, all holy, filled with awe,
Father most gracious, filled with mercy and steadfast love,
Incline Your ear to our troubles.
Hear us as we pour out our sorrows to You.
Forgive us, not because of our own righteousness,
But because of Your great mercy.
Because of Your great mercy in the gift of Your Son, Jesus Christ.
It is in His name that we pray, for He is our Savior,
and the mediator of the covenant of grace.

Individual Prayer of Confession (Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

1 Peter 3:18

*[18] For Christ also suffered once for sins,
the righteous for the unrighteous, that he
might bring us to God, being put to death
in the flesh but made alive in the spirit.*

Hymn

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
there is no shadow of turning with Thee:
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not;
as Thou hast been Thou for ever wilt be.

refrain: *Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see:
all I have needed Thy hand hath provided -
great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
join with all nature in manifold witness
to Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

refrain

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

refrain

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Scripture Reading

Mark 14:53-65

Sermon

“I Am”

Pastor Reed

Hymn

“My Dear Redeemer and My Lord”
(to the tune Duke Street, *“Jesus Shall Reign”*)

My dear Redeemer and my Lord,
I read my duty in Your Word;
but in Your life the law appears,
drawn out in living characters.

Such was Your truth, and such Your zeal,
such def'rence to Your Father's will,
such love, and meekness so divine,
I would transcribe and make them mine.

Cold mountains and the midnight air
witnessed the fervor of Your prayer;
the desert Your temptations knew,
Your conflict and Your vict'ry too.

Be now my pattern; make me bear
more of Your gracious image here;
then God the Judge shall own my name
amongst the foll'wers of the Lamb.

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Scriptural Benediction

Postlude

Sermon Outline

"I Am"

Mark 14:53-65

I. The Unlawful Trial.

II. The Unjust Verdict.

1. How do you see the Sanhedrin living by the phrase "the ends justify the means"?
2. Do you believe this phrase is wrong? Why or why not?
3. Why did Jesus' answer (v. 62) to the high priest question (v.61) cause the high priest to react so strongly in tearing his clothes and saying Jesus was guilty of blasphemy?
4. How did Jesus respond to the unlawful trial, unjust verdict and unfair beating and how is this apart of His work of salvation?

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