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CHRIST EXALTING

The Lord's Day
September 4, 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.

*“Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering,
for he who promised is faithful.”*

Hebrews 10:23

Prelude

**During the prelude selection, prepare for worship
by reflecting on Hebrews 10:23 printed above.**

Life of the Church

Call to Worship

Psalm 135:14, 19-21

*¹ Praise the LORD! Praise the name of the LORD, give praise, O servants of the LORD,
² who stand in the house of the LORD, in the courts of the house of our God!
³ Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good; sing to his name, for it is pleasant!
⁴ For the LORD has chosen Jacob for himself, Israel as his own possession.
¹⁹ O house of Israel, bless the LORD! O house of Aaron, bless the LORD!
²⁰ O house of Levi, bless the LORD! You who fear the LORD, bless the LORD!
²¹ Blessed be the LORD from Zion, he who dwells in Jerusalem! Praise the LORD!*

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 King-
dom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Hymn

“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to His feet your tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who, like me His praise should sing?
Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him,
praise the everlasting King.

Praise Him for His grace and favor to our fathers in distress;
praise Him, still the same forever, slow to chide, and swift to bless;
praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him,
glorious in His faithfulness.

Father-like He tends and spares us; well our feeble frame He knows;
in His hands He gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes;
praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him,
widely as His mercy goes.

Frail as summer's flow'r we flourish, blows the wind and it is gone;
but while mortals rise and perish, God endures unchanging on.
Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him,
praise the High Eternal One.

Angels, help us to adore Him; you behold Him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before Him, dwellers all in time and space,
praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him,
praise with us the God of grace.

- 22 “Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord GOD: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came.*
- 23 And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. And the nations will know that I am the LORD, declares the Lord GOD, when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes.*
- 24 I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land.*
- 25 I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you.*
- 26 And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.*
- 27 And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.*
- 28 You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.*
- 29 And I will deliver you from all your uncleannesses. And I will summon the grain and make it abundant and lay no famine upon you.*
- 30 I will make the fruit of the tree and the increase of the field abundant, that you may never again suffer the disgrace of famine among the nations.*
- 31 Then you will remember your evil ways, and your deeds that were not good, and you will loathe yourselves for your iniquities and your abominations.*
- 32 It is not for your sake that I will act, declares the Lord GOD; let that be known to you. Be ashamed and confounded for your ways, O house of Israel.*
- 33 “Thus says the Lord GOD: On the day that I cleanse you from all your iniquities, I will cause the cities to be inhabited, and the waste places shall be rebuilt.*
- 34 And the land that was desolate shall be tilled, instead of being the desolation that it was in the sight of all who passed by.*
- 35 And they will say, ‘This land that was desolate has become like the garden of Eden, and the waste and desolate and ruined cities are now fortified and inhabited.’*

36 Then the nations that are left all around you shall know that I am the LORD; I have rebuilt the ruined places and replanted that which was desolate. I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it.

37 “Thus says the Lord GOD: This also I will let the house of Israel ask me to do for them: to increase their people like a flock.

38 Like the flock for sacrifices, like the flock at Jerusalem during her appointed feasts, so shall the waste cities be filled with flocks of people. Then they will know that I am the LORD.”

Congregational Prayer

Jason Van Goor, Ruling Elder

Offertory and Collection of Tithes and Offerings

“Give Me Jesus”
with “Steal Away to Jesus”
arr. by Ruth Elaine Schram

Choir

In the morning when I rise, in the morning when I rise,
in the morning when I rise, give me Jesus.
Give me Jesus, give me Jesus!
You can have all this world, but I will steal away to Jesus.
Steal away home. I ain't got long to stay here.
In the morning when I rise, in the morning when I rise,
in the morning when I rise, give me Jesus.
Give me Jesus, give me Jesus!
You can have all this world. Give me Jesus.
Give me Jesus.

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Prayer of Thanksgiving and Presentation of the Offering

Tom Fox, Deacon

Corporate Profession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

“Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me”

What gift of grace is Jesus my Redeemer
 there is no more for heaven now to give.
 He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom,
 my steadfast love, my deep boundless peace.
 To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus,
 for my life is wholly bound to His.
 Oh how strange and divine, I can sing:
 all is mine! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken,
 for by my side, the Savior he will stay.
 I labor on in weakness and rejoicing
 for in my need, His power is displayed.
 To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me
 through the deepest valley He will lead.
 Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome!
 Yet not I, but through Christ in me

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven,
 the future sure, the price it has been paid;
 for Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon,
 and He was raised to overthrow the grave.
 To this I hold, my sin has been defeated;
 Jesus now and ever is my plea.
 Oh when the chains are released, I can sing:
 I am free! Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus,
 for He has said that He will bring me home;
 And day by day I know He will renew me
 until I stand with joy before the throne.
 To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
 all the glory evermore to Him.
 When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:
 Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

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Scripture

Hebrews 10:19-25

*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.*
- 24 And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works,*
- 25 not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.*

Sermon

“A Life Impacting Christology”

Pastor Reed

Invitation to The Lord’s Supper

Hymn

“Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting”

Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what Thou art;
 I am finding out the greatness, of Thy loving heart.
 Thou hast bid me gaze upon Thee, and Thy beauty fills my soul,
 for by Thy transforming power, Thou hast made me whole.
 Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what Thou art;
 I am finding out the greatness of Thy loving heart.

O how great Thy loving kindness, vaster, broader than the sea!
 O how marvelous Thy goodness, lavished all on me!
 Yes, I rest in Thee, Beloved, know what wealth of grace is Thine,
 know Thy certainty of promise, and have made it mine.
 Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what Thou art;
 I am finding out the greatness of Thy loving heart.

Simply trusting Thee, Lord Jesus, I behold Thee as Thou art,
 and Thy love, so pure, so changeless, satisfies my heart;
 satisfies my deepest longings, meets, supplies its every need,
 ‘compasseth me round with blessings, Thine is love indeed!
 Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what Thou art;
 I am finding out the greatness of Thy loving heart.

Ever lift Thy face upon me, as I work and wait for Thee;
 resting ‘neath Thy smile, Lord Jesus, earth’s dark shadows flee.
 Brightness of my Father’s glory, sunshine of my Father’s face,
 keep me ever trusting, resting, fill me with Thy grace.
 Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what Thou art;
 I am finding out the greatness of Thy loving heart.

arr. Northland Community Church, Inc.
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Corporate Confession of Sin

Gracious God, we confess that we have longed too much for the comforts of this world. We have loved the gifts more than the giver.

In Your mercy, help us to see that all the things we pine for are shadows, but You are substance;
that they are quicksands, but You are mountain;
that they are shifting, but You are anchor.

We plead Your forgiveness on the merits of Jesus Christ.
Accept His worthiness for our unworthiness,
His sinlessness for our transgressions,
His fullness for our emptiness,
His glory for our shame,
His righteousness for our dead works,
His death for our life. We pray in Jesus name. Amen.

Individual Prayer and Meditation (Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

1 Peter 2:24-25

²⁴ He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

²⁵ For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Prayer of Blessing

Distribution of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”

Rejoice, ye pure in heart, rejoice, give thanks, and sing;
your festal banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.

refrain: *Rejoice, rejoice,
rejoice, give thanks and sing.*

Bright youth and snow-crowned age, strong men and maidens meek,
raise high your free, exulting song; God’s wondrous praises speak.

refrain

With all the angel choirs, with all the saints of earth,
pour out the strains of joy and bliss, true rapture, noblest mirth!

refrain

Yes, on through life’s long path, still chanting as ye go,
from youth to age, by night and day, in gladness and in woe.

refrain

At last the march shall end, the wearied ones shall rest;
the pilgrims find their Father’s house, Jerusalem the blest.

refrain

Then on, ye pure in heart, rejoice, give thanks and sing;
your glorious banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.

refrain

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Scriptural Benediction

Postlude

Sermon Outline
“A Life Impacting Christology”
Hebrews 10:19-25

I. The Cause: The Person and Work of Christ.


II. The Effect: Three Exhortations.

Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me


Lead Sheet

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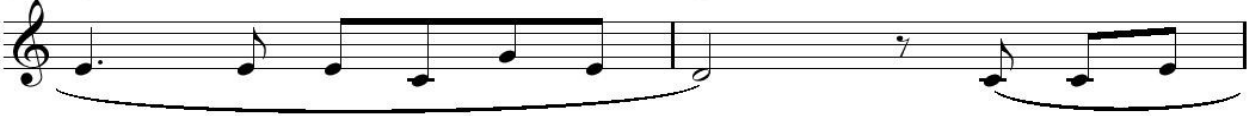
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5 C F




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7 C Am G




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11 C G C(sus4) C



love, my deep and bound - less peace. To this I
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 stand with joy be - fore the throne To this I

13 F C

hold, my hope is on - ly Je - sus For my
 hold, my Shep - herd will de - fend me Through the
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15 F C G(sus4) G

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17 C Dm C/E F

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 night has been won, and I shall ov - er - come! Yet not
 chains are rel - eased, I can sing: I am free! Yet not
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19 C/G G Last time to

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20 C F/A C/G F6/A

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2. The night is
 3. No fate I
 4. With eve-ry

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