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CHRIST EXALTING

The Lord's Day
September 6, 2026

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 saying is trustworthy, and I want you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to devote themselves to good works. These things are excellent and profitable for people."

Titus 3:8

Prelude

**During the prelude selection, prepare for worship
by reflecting on Titus 3:8 printed above.**

Life of the Church

Preparation for Worship

Call to Worship

Psalm 40:4a, 16

[4] Blessed is the man who makes the LORD his trust [16] may all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; may those who love your salvation say continually, "Great is 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 kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Hymn

"All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above"

All praise to God, Who reigns above, the God of all creation,
the God of wonders, pow'r, and love, the God of our salvation!
With healing balm my soul He fills, the God who every sorrow stills. To God all praise and glory!

What God's almighty pow'r hath made His gracious mercy keepeth;
by morning dawn or evening shade His watchful eye ne'er sleepeth;
within the kingdom of His might, Lo, all is just and all is right. To God all praise and glory!

I cried to Him in time of need: Lord God, O, hear my calling!
For death He gave me life indeed and kept my feet from falling.
For this my thanks shall endless be; O thank Him, thank our God, with me, to God all praise and glory!

The Lord forsaketh not His flock, His chosen generation;
He is their refuge and their rock, their peace and their salvation.
As with a mother's tender hand He leads His own, His chosen band, to God all praise and glory!

Ye who confess Christ's holy name, to God give praise and glory!
Ye who the Father's pow'r proclaim, to God give praise and glory!
All idols under foot be trod, the Lord is God! The Lord is God! To God all praise and glory!

Then come before His presence now and banish fear and sadness;
to your Redeemer pay your vow and sing with joy and gladness:
though great distress my soul befell, the Lord, my God, did all things well, to God all praise and glory!

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Scripture Reading

Proverbs 3:13-35

Justin Hilliard, Teaching Elder

Congregational Prayer

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Offertory and Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Presentation of the Offering

Scott Freydl, Deacon

Corporate Profession of Faith

Westminster Confession XVI.III

"Their ability to do good works is not at all of themselves, but wholly from the Spirit of Christ. And that they may be enabled thereunto, beside the graces they have already received, there is required an actual influence of the same Holy Spirit, to work in them to will, and to do, of his good pleasure: yet are they not hereupon to grow negligent, as if they were not bound to perform any duty unless upon a special motion of the Spirit; but they ought to be diligent in stirring up the grace of God in them."

Hymn

“Speak, O Lord”

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You to receive the food of Your Holy Word.
Take Your Truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in Your likeness;
that the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us Lord, full obedience, holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see Your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail; let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time, that will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises; and by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, 'til Your church is built, and the earth is filled with Your glory.

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Scripture Reading

Titus 3:8-15

Sermon

“Devoted to Godliness”

Pastor Coyle

Hymn

“That Man Is Blest Who, Fearing God”
(to the tune of “Forever Trusting in the Lord”)

That man is blest who, fearing God, from sin restrains his feet,
who will not stand with wicked men, who shuns the scorners' seat.

Yea, blest is he who makes God's law his portion and delight,
and meditates upon that law with gladness day and night.

That man is nourished like a tree set by the rivers' side;
its leaf is green, its fruit is sure, and thus his works abide.

The wicked like the driven chaff are swept from off the land;
they shall not gather with the just, nor in the judgment stand.

The Lord will guard the righteous well, their way to Him is known;
the way of sinners, far from God, shall surely be o'erthrown.

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Invitation to The Lord's Supper

Corporate Confession of Sin

Most holy and merciful Father,
we confess to You and to one another,
that we have sinned against You by what we have done
and by what we have left undone We have not loved You
with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not fully loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We have not always had in us the mind of Christ.
You alone know how often we have grieved You
by wasting Your gifts, by wandering from Your ways.
Forgive us, we pray You, most merciful Father; and free us from our sin.
Renew in us the grace and strength of Your Holy Spirit,
for the sake of Jesus Christ Your Son our Savior. Amen.

Individual Prayer of Confession (Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 53:4-6

*[4] Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows;
yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.
[5] But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed
for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought
us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.
[6] All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—
every one—to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him
the iniquity of us all.*

Prayer of Blessing

Distribution of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn

“Be Thou My Vision”

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that Thou art—
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Be Thou my battle shield, sword for my fight;
Be Thou my dignity, Thou my delight;
Thou my soul's shelter, Thou my high tow'r:
raise Thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
High King of Heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of Heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

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Scriptural Benediction

Postlude

Sermon Outline
“Devoted to Godliness”
Titus 3:8-15

I. The blessing of good works (v.8)

II. The response to bad works (v.9-11)

III. The ministry of good works (v.12-15)

1. Where are you observing the benefit of good works in your own life and the lives of other believers?
2. How are you faithfully responding to the bad works of others? The bad works of yourself?
3. Where are you looking to actively engage fellow believers with good works?

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