

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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(See FCC Observance information on the next page.)

PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION

– Elder Dave Hanson

***LIKE A RIVER GLORIOUS** – Hymn #699

***BENEDICTION**

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“Serving One Another in Love”
Galatians 5:13

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LORD'S SUPPER OBSERVANCE

At Faith Covenant, the Lord's Supper is observed each Lord's Day as the climax of our worship service. We invite to the Lord's Table all those who are baptized disciples of Jesus Christ, under the authority of Christ and His body, the Church. By eating the bread and drinking the cup with us as a visitor, you are acknowledging to our church that you are in covenant with God. You also acknowledge that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Jesus Christ alone for your salvation. If you have any doubts about your participation, please speak to the pastor or one of the elders after the service. Wine and bread are the elements of the supper as instituted by Jesus Christ. We recommend the use of wine; however we offer both juice and wine in the tray to allow true liberty of conscience. The wine is located in the two outer rings and the juice is located in the center ring.



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Displaying God's Glory in a Community of Grace

August 22, 2010

*“O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you;
my soul thirsts for you.” Psalm 63:1*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

His Calling and Our Praise

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** *Psalm 149:1-2, 4-5*

Leader: Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song, his praise in the assembly of the godly!

All: Let Israel be glad in his Maker; let the children of Zion rejoice in their King!

Leader: For the LORD takes pleasure in his people; he adorns the humble with salvation.

All: Let the godly exult in glory; let them sing for joy on their beds. Praise the LORD!

***HALLELUJAH! THINE THE GLORY** – Hymn #179

***O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING**

– Hymn #164

***PRAYER OF PRAISE**

(*Indicates when to stand)

We ask that you please turn off cell phones during the worship service. Thank you.

***SING ALLELUIA** – words included

All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing.
Sun, moon and stars rejoice on high;
praise to the Lord of light divine.

(Chorus)

*Sing alleluia, sing alleluia.
Praise the Father above, sing alleluia.
Sing alleluia, sing alleluia.
For His infinite love, sing alleluia.*

Praise to the giver of good things,
merciful Father, holy King.
Join with the angels, sing out loud,
praise him who reigns above the clouds.
(Chorus 2x)

His Renewal and Our Hope

COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *1 Peter 1:14-16*

As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, since it is written, “You shall be holy, for I am holy.”

All: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, you are rich in mercy to all who call upon you; hear us as we come humbly to you, confessing our sins and seeking your mercy. We have broken your holy laws by our deeds and by our words and by the sinful affections of our hearts. We confess before you our disobedience and ingratitude, our sins committed against our families and our friends. Have mercy upon us, O most merciful Father, and of your great goodness, grant that we may hereafter walk in the newness of life provided to us through our Lord Jesus. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: 1 Peter 2:24-25

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

***COMMON CONFESSION OF FAITH:**

The Nicene Creed – Hymnal page 846

***CHILD OF GOD** – words included

Your life laid down crucified
your arms stretched out and open wide,
to rescue me so I can be a child of God.

From nail-pierced hands to thorn-pierced brow,
your blood flows down to me somehow,
it cleanses me so I can be a child of God.

(Chorus)

*Praise to the Lamb that was slain,
praise to the Father who gave his Son away.*

The proof of love, the price of grace,
you traded all to take my place.

You died for me so I can be a child of God.
(Repeat all; Chorus/last verse twice)

***PRAYER FOR LONGENECKER FAMILY**

OFFERTORY PRAYER & OFFERTORY

(Reminder: please sign and pass the Attendance Register down the pew.)

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE:**

DOXOLOGY – Hymn #731

***PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

*Children ages 4-6 are excused for Children’s Church
(held upstairs in the Balcony Room)*

His Word and Our Response

Sermon: Pastor Lloyd Pierson, Ph.D.

Sermon Series: “Conversations with God”

Sermon Title: *A Thirsty Soul*

Sermon Text: Psalm 63

***THOU LOVELY SOURCE OF TRUE DELIGHT**

– words included

Thou lovely source of true delight
whom I unseen adore;
unveil thy beauties to my sight
that I might love thee more,
Oh that I might love thee more.

Thy glory o’er creation shines
but in thy sacred word
I read, in fairer, brighter lines,
my bleeding dying Lord,
see my bleeding, dying Lord.

‘Tis here, whene’er my comforts droop
and sin and sorrow rise,
thy love with cheering beams of hope
my fainting heart supplies,
Oh, my fainting heart’s supplied.

But ah! too soon the pleasing scene
is clouded o’er with pain.
My gloomy fears rise dark between
and I again complain,
Oh, and I again complain.

Jesus, my Lord, my life, my light,
Oh come with blissful ray;
break radiant through the shades of night
and chase my fears away,
won’t you chase my fears away.

Then shall my soul with rapture trace
the wonders of thy love;
but the full glories of thy face
are only known above,
they are only known above.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL OR REGIONAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR:
Samaritan House, Kalispell.

MISSION PROJECT OR MISSIONARIES TO PRAY FOR:
PCA missionaries Seth & Rachel Park are currently serving with an interdenominational mission called the Pioneers. They plan to travel to Turkey in September where they will help manage a counseling retreat center for other missionaries and Turkish pastors.

A SPECIAL EVENING PRAYER SERVICE WILL BE HELD NEXT SUNDAY, August 29, at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Nursery will be provided.

PHOTOS FOR THE UPDATED DIRECTORY are now being taken. If you requested a photo, please meet Alan & Joyce Schmautz outside to the north of the church.

CAN YOU HELP WITH COMMUNION SETUP? We are in need of 3-4 volunteers to be added to our communion setup list. For more information or to volunteer please contact the church office.

FAITH COVENANT’S SMALL GROUPS will resume meeting this fall. See the display on the bulletin board by the main entrance that shows locations and leaders. If you are not currently in a small group and would like to join one, there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board. If you have any questions, ask an elder, group leader or you may call the church office.

CURRENT PLANS ARE TO BEGIN OUR FALL SESSION OF SUNDAY SCHOOL ON SEPTEMBER 12. Classes for Babies thru Adults will start at 11:15 a.m. following the morning worship service. Watch here for updates or changes to the schedule.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE SCHMAUTZ FAMILY: Will and Jenaé Schmautz were blessed on August 16 with the birth of their son who weighed 6 lbs. 11 ½ oz and is 19 inches tall.

ADDRESS UPDATE:
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IF YOU HAVEN’T TURNED IN A DIRECTORY UPDATE FORM, it’s not too late. They can still be turned into the church office. We would like to include everyone in the directory. Forms are located in the brochure rack in the foyer.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATES:

- Infant Nursery is located upstairs in the church office building.
- The men’s restroom is no longer in service. Please use the restroom located at the back of the sanctuary.
- Access to the Fellowship Hall is now through the north door of the pulpit area or from the outside using the northeast doors.

THE SALVATION ARMY IS SEEKING TO HIRE a Christmas Kettle and Development Coordinator to cultivate community support and participation in the annual Kettle Campaign and to organize and manage the event. Qualifications include excellent communication, organization, relational and computer skills. The position is full-time with some flexibility, from now through December. Interested individuals may contact Earl Houtz or Sandy Reich at 257-4357.

FLATHEAD FOOD BANK FOOD OF THE MONTH: Ramen noodles or lunch snacks may be dropped at the food bank, 1203 Hwy 2 W., Suite 2 in Kalispell, or left in the containers in the church Fellowship Hall.

AUGUST MINISTRIES

DEACON OF THE MONTH Bill Gamble
NURSERY M.O.M. (Mom of the Month)..... Shari Montague
NURSERY COORDINATOR..... Shari Montague
Direct Nursery questions, concerns, praises, etc., to Shari at 249-6579.

TODAY

USHERS/GREETERS Bill Gamble & Lloyd Pierson
CHILDREN’S CHURCH Rose Ann Clark
WORSHIP NURSERY (infants) Hills
WORSHIP NURSERY (toddlers) Swensons
FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS..... Cathy Hanson & Leah Wiersma
COMMUNION PREP Donelle Holderbaum
COMMUNION CLEAN-UP Benni Tulloch

NEXT SUNDAY – AUGUST 29

USHERS/GREETERS Bill Gamble & Lloyd Pierson
CHILDREN’S CHURCH Rose Ann Clark
WORSHIP NURSERY (infants) Motleys & Vileka Fisher
WORSHIP NURSERY (toddlers thru 3 yrs)..... Neumanns
FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS..Penelope Bennett & Sharon Thompson
COMMUNION PREP Amy Bennett
COMMUNION CLEAN-UP Jeanie Brenneman

CALENDAR

TODAY

- 9:30 a.m. – WORSHIP SERVICE
- 10:45 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship Hour

THIS WEEK

- Wednesday – Men’s Prayer Breakfast, 6:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall
- Sunday – Special Prayer Service, 6:00 p.m.

LOOKING AHEAD

- Tuesdays – Music practice, 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesdays – Men’s Prayer Breakfast, 6:45 a.m.
- Jr. & Sr. High Youth Groups (Sept.-May)
- Sundays – Adult Small Groups (Sept.-May)
- 1st Sundays – Diaconal Offering
- 1st Tuesdays – Elder home visits
- 3rd Tuesdays – Elder/Deacon meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- 2nd & 4th Tuesdays – Elizabeth Women’s group, 12:00 p.m. at Jo Anne Ross’ home, (Sept.-May)
- Last Sunday of month – Prayer & Worship Service, 6:00 p.m.

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- Tuesday, September 7 – Trustees’ meeting, 6:30 p.m.
 - Sunday, September 12 – Fall Sunday School begins
 - Journey of Faith Commitment Sunday
 - Tuesday, September 14 – Fellowship Committee meeting, 7:00 p.m.
 - Tuesday, September 21 – Elder/Deacon meeting, 7:00 p.m.
 - Sunday, September 26 – Prayer & Worship Service, 6:00 p.m.

For Prayer Chain requests or to be added to the prayer chain, please contact the church office at 752-2400 or email to office@faithcov.com. After hours contact Carlynn at home.

SERMON OUTLINE

August 22, 2010

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Sermon Series: "Conversations with God"

Sermon Title: *A Thirsty Soul*

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A PSALM OF DAVID, WHEN HE WAS IN THE WILDERNESS OF JUDAH.

O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. ²So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory. ³Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. ⁴So I will bless you as long as I live; in your name I will lift up my hands. ⁵My soul will be satisfied as with fat and rich food, and my mouth will praise you with joyful lips, ⁶when I remember you upon my bed, and meditate on you in the watches of the night; ⁷for you have been my help, and in the shadow of your wings I will sing for joy. ⁸My soul clings to you; your right hand upholds me. ⁹But those who seek to destroy my life shall go down into the depths of the earth; ¹⁰they shall be given over to the power of the sword; they shall be a portion for jackals. ¹¹But the king shall rejoice in God; all who swear by him shall exult, for the mouths of liars will be stopped.

I. My Soul's Desire – Beware a Sleepy Soul

II. My Soul's Delight – Beware Ruining Your Appetite

III. My Soul's Defense – Beware Attacking Others

Questions for discussion:

1. The great intensity of this psalm can be difficult for us to grasp. Many mistake it for emotionalism. Consider Martin Lloyd-Jones comments: "*Emotionalism is ever the most real, because the most subtle, enemy of evangelicalism.*" "*Tears are a poor criterion for faith, being carried away in a meeting by eloquence or singing or excitement is not the same as committing oneself to Christ.*"
2. "*Whenever a soul forgets God, it drops off to sleep.*" –Augustine. What causes us to lose interest in the Lord? Read Ephesians 5:13-14 – what insights does Paul provide here?
3. How can we ruin our appetite and not delight in God? What are God substitutes? What can I do to promote a spiritual appetite?
4. Consider this comment: "*The Bible never says that finding God is a result of seeking him. You don't start seeking God until he has already met you. The Bible says that people have a spiritual hunger in general, but people in their natural heart are trying to escape the true God in particular.*" – Tim Keller. What is the danger of spiritual longings that are only general?
5. How does David's sense of God's absence show that God is really present to him?
6. Jesus came to the defense of God's honor and the oppressed; but did not defend himself against attacks directed at himself. How does this help us when we consider the nature of righteous or unrighteous anger?
7. To be united to Christ is to be in communion with God. How does this Psalm encourage us in the gospel?