



Abraham, Isaac and Jacob: the Dawn of a Covenant

The Patriarchs Calling Us to the Journey Inward

"The Gospel tells us we are more wicked than we ever dared believe but more loved and accepted in Christ than we ever dared to hope-at the same time.... If the Gospel is true, the more you see your sin, the more certain you are that you were saved by sheer grace and the more precious and electrifying that grace is to you. So the Gospel gives us enormous power to admit our flaws."

-Tim Keller

"Rebekah's spiritual values are sound, but her method is deplorable."

-Bruce Waltke

For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.

-Romans 3:23-24

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

-2 Cor 5:21

Order of Worship

Welcome & Update

Prelude

Leader: The Lord be with you

People: And also with you

Call to Worship: from Psalm 27

Leader: The Lord is my light and my salvation. Whom shall I fear?

All: The Lord is the stronghold of my life, of who shall I be afraid?

Leader: One thing I ask of the Lord, this is what I seek, that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

All: To gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to seek Him in His temple.

Leader: My heart says o you, "Seek His face!"

All: Your face, Lord, I will seek.

Songs of Praise

Blessed Be the Lord

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel

From everlasting to everlasting (2x)

Let all the people say "Amen!" (3x)

Praise the Lord

Gather us O Lord, our God,
from among the nations (echo)

Deliver us and save us, O God,

God of our salvation (echo)

All: So we may give thanks to thy holy name

And glory in thy praise - Hallelujah!

Praise the Lord, give thanks to the Lord,
for he is good (echo)

His steadfast love endures forever

and he is good (echo)

All: Declare the mighty deeds of the Lord

and show forth all his praise - Hallelujah!

He Will Hold Me Fast

When I fear my faith will fail,

Christ will hold me fast;

When the tempter would prevail,

He will hold me fast.

I could never keep my hold

Through life's fearful path;

For my love is often cold;

He must hold me fast.

He will hold me fast,

He will hold me fast;

For my Saviour loves me so,

He will hold me fast.

Those He saves are His delight,
Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in His holy sight,
He will hold me fast.

He'll not let my soul be lost;
His promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost,
He will hold me fast.

For my life He bled and died,
Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied;
He will hold me fast.

Raised with Him to endless life,
He will hold me fast
'Till our faith is turned to sight
When He comes at last!

Prayer for the World, the Church & the City

The Apostles' Creed

Confession

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; we acknowledge and grieve our sin, which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, by thought, word and deed, against your Divine Majesty, provoking most justly Your wrath and indignation against us. We so earnestly repent and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Because of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us all that is past, make us mindful of Your call to serve you in the present, and renew within us of Your promise of our future life with You. To the honor and glory of Your Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Private Confession

Assurance of Pardon from Psalm 62:5-8

Find rest, O my soul, in God alone; my hope comes from Him. He alone is my rock and my salvation; He is my fortress, I will not be shaken. My salvation and my honor depend on God; He is my mighty rock, my refuge. Trust in Him at all times, O people; pour out your hearts to Him, for God is our refuge.

Song of Assurance

Holy, Holy, Holy!

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;

Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!

God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
Who wert and art and ever more shall be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see;
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise
Thy name In earth, and sky, and sea;
Holy, holy, holy; merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Tithes and Offerings

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Doxology

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Scripture - Genesis 27:1-29

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God

God's Word Today- Mike Hsu

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Sermon Outline

1. Rebekah's Deceitful Scheme
2. Jacob's Compliance and Isaac's Blessing
3. The Deplorable Actions of Israel's First Family
4. The Similarity Cascade Calling Us to Look Inward
5. Clothed in True Righteousness

The Lord's Supper

The Great Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts!
People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Minister: It is right, and good, and a joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks unto you, O Lord, our Father Almighty, everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your holy name; evermore praising You and singing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth of Your glory are full. Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!

Words of Institution and Declaration of Faith

Minister: Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again.

Minister: The gifts of God for the people of God, take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on Him in your hearts by faith and with thanksgiving.

Song of Thanksgiving

All I Have is Christ

I once was lost in darkest night
Yet thought I knew the way
The sin that promised joy and life
Had led me to the grave

I had no hope that You would own
A rebel to Your will
And if You had not loved me first
I would refuse You still

But as I ran my hell-bound race
Indifferent to the cost
You looked upon my helpless state
And led me to the cross

And I beheld God's love displayed
You suffered in my place
You bore the wrath reserved for me
Now all I know is grace

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life (x2)

Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone
And live so all might see
The strength to follow Your commands
Could never come from me

Oh Father, use my ransomed life
In any way You choose
And let my song forever be
My only boast is You

Benediction: Psalm 67:1-3

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

Peace

Minister: The Peace of the Lord be with you all
People: And also with you

Announcements

1. Zoom Prayer Meeting every Thursday 7 to 7:45 pm.
Zoom link is in Friday Notes & reminder sent on Thursday afternoon
2. Prayer requests & Tithes. Please send to mail@gracevancouver.com
3. Harmonia Concert March 8 @ 7:30pm.
4. Billeting needed for five 14 yr olds from Japan from March 24-31. Email mail@gracevancouver.com if you would like to host.

Tithes up to December 31, 2024

2024 Annual Budget	\$250,000
Giving as of Dec 31, 2024	\$282,873
Giving Last Week	\$3,463

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