Celebrations!

"Goliath Must Fall"

Sunday, October 21, 2018 - 10:45 a.m.

## As We Gather

Goliath might fall." "Goliath did fall." "Goliath can fall." "Goliath will fall." Which one do you believe? Over the next five weeks, we invite you to explore the powerful claim that Goliath <u>must</u> fall. For God's glory, Goliath must fall. For your freedom, Goliath must fall. And this is not going to happen merely because we tried harder or got stronger. Rather, Christ wins this battle for us. In Christ, we obtain the victory. In Christ, Goliath must fall.

### Welcome & Community Greeting

**Opening Song** (Remain standing) "In Christ Alone" Getty/Townsend 1.In 2.In Christ my hope is Who took on He is my full - ness of a lone found Christ a lone flesh ground 3.There in the His bo - dy lay Light of the 4.No guilt life fear in death this is the in no light song This this sol - id my strength my cor stone ner God world Babe and right eous -in glor-ious in by of help dark less This Then gift burst of love forth ness slain ing pow'r Christ in me From Life's first cry to fin - al . . ground firm through the fier-cestdroughtand storm Whatheights of love what depths of scorned 'Til And that He ness day by from the the ones He grave He came rose save gain on as cross stands as in Je - sus vic - toto up Je а breath \_ com-mands my des ti -No pow'r of hell no scheme of sus ny . peace when fears stilled when striv-ings My com - fort are cease for For God lost fied died the wrath of was sat is ev I 'ry am sin's curse has its grip on from His ľV me man pluck hand Til He can ev er me re-All all in the Christ stand. er my in here love of Ι on and Him was He is Here in the bought with the death of Christ pre-cious blood live. Christ sin His laid death of mine turns or calls me home here in the pow'r of Christ I'11 stand.

#### Invocation

- L:
- L: In the name of the Father, C: who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing,
  - in the name of the Son, C: in whom we have redemption through His blood,
- L: in the name of the Spirit,
- C: who is the guarantee of our eternal inheritance. Amen.

#### **Gathering Prayer**

Children's Message (please be seated)



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#### **Old Testament**

"If he is able..."

1 Samuel 17:1-9

<sup>1</sup>Now the Philistines gathered their armies for battle. And they were gathered at Socoh, which belongs to Judah, and encamped between Socoh and Azekah, in Ephes-dammin. <sup>2</sup>And Saul and the men of Israel were gathered, and encamped in the Valley of Elah, and drew up in line of battle against the Philistines. <sup>3</sup>And the Philistines stood on the mountain on the one side, and Israel stood on the mountain on the other side, with a valley between them. <sup>4</sup>And there came out from the camp of the Philistines a champion named Goliath of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span. <sup>5</sup>He had a helmet of bronze on his head, and he was armed with a coat of mail, and the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of bronze. <sup>6</sup>And he had bronze armor on his legs, and a javelin of bronze slung between his shoulders. <sup>7</sup>The shaft of his spear was like a weaver's beam, and his spear's head weighed six hundred shekels of iron. And his shield-bearer went before him. <sup>8</sup>He stood and shouted to the ranks of Israel, "Why have you come out to draw up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and are you not servants of Saul? Choose a man for yourselves, and let him come down to me. <sup>9</sup>If he is able to fight with me and kill me, then we will be your servants. But if I prevail against him and kill him, then you shall be our servants and serve us."

L: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

#### Epistle

"God will himself restore you"

1 Peter 5:8-11

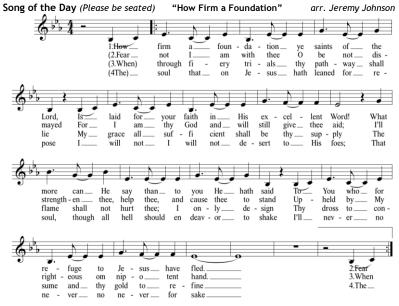
<sup>8</sup>Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. <sup>9</sup>Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. <sup>10</sup>And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. <sup>11</sup>To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

L: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel (please stand) "All authority has been given to me" Matthew 28:16-20

<sup>16</sup>Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. <sup>17</sup>And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. <sup>18</sup>And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup>Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup>teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to You, O Christ.



After verse 4:

That soul, though all hell should en deav-or to shake I'll nev-er no ne-ver no ne-ver for sake



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## "But Some Doubted"

Sermon Series "Goliath Must Fall" (Week 1)

### Christ's victory doesn't just have meaning \_\_\_\_\_\_

#### Christ's victory has meaning \_\_\_\_

For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. -Romans 6:14

## Do I truly believe that sin has no dominion over me?

## 2) If you struggle with doubt, you \_\_\_\_\_

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## The great commission is like our \_\_\_\_\_

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# $\Phi$ Thanking Him with Our Lives $\Phi$

Pastoral Greeting & Rite of Fellowship (Please be seated) (Welcome! Please add your name to the fellowship pad.)

#### Gathering of Offerings

(As an act of worship and thanksgiving, we offer to God what He has first given to us: the first and best of our lives, time, talents and financial gifts.

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## $\oplus$ Calling Upon Him in Confession and Prayer $\oplus$

## Confession & Absolution (Please stand)

- L: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! Against you have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight. Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
- L: If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation.
- C: The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.
- L: Almighty God, in His kindness, has given His Son to redeem you through Jesus' death and resurrection! In the waters of Baptism, He has washed you of your sin and even now calls you to return anew to His mercies. As a servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the H- Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

#### Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

### Prayers of the Church & the Lord's Prayer

- L: Lord remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- C: 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

# ☆ Sent with His Blessing

## Blessing

- L: From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C: May the name of the Lord be praised!
- L: The blessing of almighty God, Father,  $\pm$  Son, and Holy Spirit remain with you now and forever.
- C: Amen.



Lift up your heart; Lift up your voice! Rejoice again I say rejoice!

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