Love is the only force capable of transforming an enemy into a friend.

— Martin Luther King, Jr.

No watcher on the lonely castle top ever saw the first gray light of morning with more joy than that with which God beholds the first desire in your heart. You may have despised Him, but you will know him yet to be your Father and your Friend.

— Charles Spurgeon

Very often when I leave a place of worship, the first impression I have of the so-called "outside world" is how small it is—how puny its politics, paltry its appetites, squinteyed its interests. I have just spent an hour or so with friends reorienting myself in the realities of the world—the huge sweep of salvation and the minute particularities of holiness—and I blink my eyes in disbelief that so many are willing to live in such reduced and cramped conditions.

— Eugene H. Peterson

Christ was all anguish that I might be all joy, cast off that I might be brought in, trodden down as an enemy that I might be welcomed as a friend, surrendered to hell's worst that I might attain heaven's best, stripped that I might be clothed, wounded that I might be healed, athirst that I might drink, tormented that I might be comforted, made a shame that I might inherit glory, entered darkness that I might have eternal life. My Saviour wept that all tears might be wiped from my eyes, groaned that I might have endless song, endured all pain that I might have unfading health, bore a thorned crown that I might have a glory-diadem, bowed his head that I might uplift mine, experienced reproach that I might receive welcome, closed his eyes in death that I might gaze on unclouded brightness, expired that I might for ever live. – "Love Lustres at Calvary," in Valley of Vision

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Reverence

Salutation

Call to Worship from Psalm 30:4-5, 11-12, Rev J Kyle Parker

Song of Invocation Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Prayer of Invocation

Scripture Reading John 15:9-17, Jonathan Hammerstrom

Reconciliation

Scripture of Confession from Psalm 6:1-4, Bill Stutzman

Confession of Sin

Song of Confession Here I am to Worship

Assurance of God's Grace & Praise Ephesians 2:1-10, Rev J Kyle Parker

Song of Assurance My Jesus I Love Thee

Revelation

Pastoral Prayer J Kyle Parker

Jude Doxolgy

Sermon 1 Samuel 18:1-11, Rev Mike Kelly

1 After David had finished talking with Saul, Jonathan became one in spirit with David, and he loved him as himself. 2 From that day Saul kept David with him and did not let him return home to his family. 3 And Jonathan made a covenant with David because he loved him as himself. 4 Jonathan took off the robe he was wearing and gave it to David, along with his tunic, and even his sword, his bow and his belt. 5 Whatever mission Saul sent him on, David was so successful that Saul gave him a high rank in the army. This pleased all the troops, and Saul's officers as well. 6 When the men were returning home after David had killed the Philistine, the women came out from all the towns of Israel to meet King Saul with singing and dancing, with joyful songs and with timbrels and lyres. 7 As they danced, they sang: "Saul has slain his thousands, and David his tens of thousands." 8 Saul was very angry; this refrain displeased him greatly. "They have credited David with tens of thousands," he thought, "but me with only thousands. What more can he get but the kingdom?" 9 And from that time on Saul kept a close eye on David. 10 The next day an evil spirit from God came forcefully on Saul. He was prophesying in his house, while David was playing the lyre, as he usually did. Saul had a spear in his hand 11 and he hurled it, saying to himself, "I'll pin David to the wall." But David eluded him twice.

Announcements

Men's study & prayer ... Tuesdays @ 6:30A The Shop, 924 S Perry Street

Young Adult Study ... 'Smores & Supplication Thursdays @ 7:30P Bostrom's 623 E 21st Ave

Ladies' Tuesday walks...
Tuesdays @ 9A
Meet @ Manito Park Cafe
ALL ladies ... retired, single,
married, mothers, college,
etc!!!
Contact Rachel Milliron w/
questions... 509-808-6241

Ladies' Summer study... Wed August 9th @ 6:30P Read Books 9-13 Lynn Thomas' home 506 West 33rd Ave 99203

Baby Boy Bostrom
Shower...
Sat Sept 23rd @ 10-12P
Parker's 3906 S Manito Blvd
It's time to celebrate
More information to come
but mark your calendar
now!!

Purpose Statement

Coram Deo signifies "life in the presence of God." A relationship possible only by Jesus Christ's rescuing humanity through his gracious sacrifice. Christ's grace is evidenced in our ability to love God and man with:

- Convinced minds
- Cleansed hearts
- Captivated souls
- Committed hands

The community of Coram Deo desires to extend Christ to Spokane and equip the saints to serve.



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Response

Song of Response How Deep the Father's Love for Us

Confession of Faith WSC Q 19-21, Katie Anne Hawes

Tithes and Offering

Hymn Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

Renewal

Lord's Supper

Invitation and Prayer 1 Corinthians 11:23 - 26

Words of Institution

Congregational Response

Distribution of the Elements

Hymn All Glory Be to Christ

Rest

Benediction

Relevance

From "The Cost of Real Friendship" By Jen Thorn

We tend to use the word "friend" rather carelessly, don't we? Any person we have a few conversations with, work with, or "like" on Facebook we call a "friend." This isn't necessarily bad, but I believe such frivolous usage of the word is making us miss the real meaning of biblical friendship. As J. R. Miller writes.

To become another's friend in the true sense is to take the other into such close, living fellowship that his life and ours are knit together as one. It is far more than a pleasant companionship in bright, sunny hours. A genuine friendship is entirely unselfish. It seeks no benefit or good of its own. It does not love—for what it may receive—but for what it may give. Its aim is "not to be served, but to serve" (Mark 10:45).

Do you know how your "friends" are doing? How are their hearts? The spiritual condition of their souls? If we don't know how our "friends" are doing in their walks with God, what hard times they're facing, or what sins they're fighting, then we have a superficial acquaintance, not a friendship.

Perhaps true friends are in such low supply these days because of how much it costs to be one. Friendship costs personal convenience. Friendship costs time. Friendship costs intimacy. Friendship costs comfort. Friendship costs prayer. Friendship costs love.

Friendship is costly, but it is worth it. It is a gift of God—a gift he himself first modeled for us in the gospel. "Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends." (John 15:13) Jesus, the friend of sinners, died and rose for us that we might become the friends of God. Only when we look to and learn from our Savior can we discover and develop true friendships with one another.