

## Announcements

**Guest Preacher.** While our pastor is away on vacation, Rev. Bob Wilson is filling the pulpit. Rev. Wilson has served as a pastor in the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA) and the ARP denominations.

**Pastor's Vacation.** The pastor will be on vacation from October 10-23. If you have a need during this time, please contact one of the elders or the church office.

**Young at Heart.** The next Young at Heart will be October 22 at 11:45. Kim Crawford from Allied Churches will be speaking. The menu will be soup and sandwich with dessert prepared for everyone; however, anyone who wants to bring a dish is welcome to. We had a wonderful turnout at the September meeting. Mark your calendar and don't miss this special time of food, fun, and fellowship!

**Thank You** to all of the people who provided a dessert or drink for the last Intersivity lunch. It was a great time and the students were taught how to deepen their relationships with God through new ideas for spending time with Him. Please plan to attend, help with set-up, or clean-up or provide a dessert/drink for the next lunch on October 27th. We will be talking about telling the Gospel through your own story.

**Gideons Sunday.** October 27, 2013. Our Gideons speaker will be Randy Simmons. He is a local contractor and serves as our State Gideons New Member Coordinator. If you wish to contribute to this ministry, **checks should be made out directly to Gideons International.**

**Homecoming.** Homecoming is scheduled for November 3, 2013. Mark you calendar and plan to be here for this special time!

**Ladies!** Save the Date! November 16th-- a Women's Holiday Event. Details coming later.

**Operation Christmas Child.** Boxes will be collected in the Fellowship Hall until Sunday, Nov 17. Brochures for packing and labeling will be available at the entrances. Please include the \$7 fee. Any questions, contact Joyce Payne (email: [joycepay@gmail.com](mailto:joycepay@gmail.com)).

## Ministry Information

### Nursery

Today: Nicole Newton and Gene Parks  
Next Week: Joyce Payne and Myrleann Schwerin

### Children's Church:

Today: Karen Jones and Matt Causey  
Next Week: Dot Hutelmyer and Nicole Newton

### Deacon on Duty

Today: Randall Cobb  
Next Week: Doug Glass

### Elder Greeter

Today: Matt Causey  
Next Week: Doug Cobb

### Tithes and Offerings for October 13:

General Fund \$ 2,925.63

## The Session

Moderator: Rev. Bryan Gregory  
Vice Moderator: Gene Parks  
Clerk: Matt Causey

2013: Doug Cobb, Matt Causey  
2015: Dick Fuller, Gene Parks

## The Diaconate

Chairman: Glenn Owens  
Vice Chairman: Mark Vestal  
Secretary: Doug Glass

2013: Randall Cobb  
2014: Glenn Owens, Mark Vestal  
2015: Doug Glass, WD Yarbrough

## Congregational Officers

Trustees: Jim Knox, Steve Kyaw, Gene Parks  
Congregational Treasurer: Laurene Howington  
Congregational Secretary: Matt Causey

## Women's Ministries

Women's Ministries Coordinator: Christy Gregory  
Morning Bible Study Leader: Lillian Fuller  
Evening Bible Study Leader: Dot Hutelmyer

## Church Staff

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## First Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church

The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

October 20, 2013

## Preparation

### Silent Meditation

The Lord includes his faithful followers in the construction of his own building, into which they hasten to fit as living stones, fashioned by faith, made solidly firm by hope, cemented together by charity.

Augustine (†430 A.D.)

In the Old Testament, the priesthood and the kingship were two different things. No one could be both a king and a priest. But afterwards came the gospel, which united these two offices in Christ. From this it follows that the people whom he has chosen will be both royal and priestly at the same time. Some people wonder how it is possible, seeing that we are called from all the nations on earth, for us to be regarded as one holy people. The answer to this is that although we are from many different nations, the fact that we have all repented of our sins and accepted a common will and a common mind gives those who have repented one doctrine and one faith. When there is a soul and heart common to all believers, then they are called one people.

Didymus the Blind (†398 A.D.)

### Prelude

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting

Call to Worship - Psalm 27; John 4

*Minister* Let us worship God, our light and our salvation.  
The Lord is the stronghold of our lives.

*People* ***We desire to live in God's house  
and to seek God in his holy temple.***

*Minister* Let us come with shouts of joy, to sing and to make music to the Lord.  
Let us worship God, in spirit and in truth.

*People* ***Teach us your ways and make straight our paths  
during these moments of worship and always.***

### Hymn of Preparation

Cornerstone

Hillside United

My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus blood and righteousness  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame  
But wholly trust in Jesus name

My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus blood and righteousness  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame  
But wholly trust in Jesus name

Christ alone; cornerstone  
Weak made strong; in the Saviour's love  
Through the storm, He is Lord, Lord of all

When Darkness seems to hide His face  
I rest on His unchanging grace  
In every high and stormy gale  
My anchor holds within the veil  
My anchor holds within the veil

Christ alone; cornerstone  
Weak made strong; in the Saviour's love  
Through the storm, He is Lord  
Lord of all, He is Lord, Lord of all

Christ alone  
Christ alone; cornerstone  
Weak made strong; in the Saviour's love  
Through the storm, He is Lord, Lord of all

Christ alone; cornerstone  
Weak made strong; in the Saviour's love  
Through the storm, He is Lord, Lord of all

When He shall come with trumpet sound,  
Oh, may I then in Him be found;  
Dressed in His righteousness alone,  
Faultless stand before the throne.

## Adoration

Invocation

Hymn of Adoration  
277 The Church's One Foundation Aurelia

## Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession

***Merciful God, charge us not with the multitude of our transgressions, nor with the great sum of our sin, for the burden of our guilt is more than we can bear. Blot out our transgressions, wash away our sin, purge our guilt. Since you offer us your great love and forgiveness, let us not keep back our hearts from you. Come along beside us to offer us the comforting and encouraging words that you will blot out our sins and cast them into the sea of your forgetfulness. We pray this in the beloved name of your Son who bore our sin on the cross. Amen.***

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Assurance of Pardon — Daniel 9:9, 18  
*But the Lord our God is merciful and forgiving, even though we have rebelled against him. O my God, lean down and listen to me. Open your eyes and see our despair. We make this plea, not because we deserve help, but because of your mercy.*

Gloria Patri  
*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.  
Amen. Amen.*

## Proclamation

Old Testament Reading Psalm 98

- <sup>1</sup> Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things!  
His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.
- <sup>2</sup> The LORD has made known his salvation;  
he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.
- <sup>3</sup> He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.  
All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.
- <sup>4</sup> Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;  
break forth into joyous song and sing praises!
- <sup>5</sup> Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre,  
with the lyre and the sound of melody!
- <sup>6</sup> With trumpets and the sound of the horn  
make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!
- <sup>7</sup> Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;  
the world and those who dwell in it!
- <sup>8</sup> Let the rivers clap their hands;  
let the hills sing for joy together
- <sup>9</sup> before the LORD, for he comes to judge the earth.  
He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

Minister The Word of the Lord  
People ***Thanks be to God.***

Anthem Kyrie Choir

(Dismissal to Children's Church)

New Testament Reading 1 Peter 2:1-10

<sup>1</sup> So put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander. <sup>2</sup> Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation-- <sup>3</sup> if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. <sup>4</sup> As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, <sup>5</sup> you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. <sup>6</sup> For it stands in Scripture: "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." <sup>7</sup> So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone," <sup>8</sup> and "A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. <sup>9</sup> But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. <sup>10</sup> Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon You are the People of God Rev. Bob Wilson

## Dedication

Hymn of Response  
202 Amazing Grace Amazing Grace

Affirmation of Faith — Heidelberg Catechism (1563)

Minister What do you believe concerning the "holy catholic church"?

People ***I believe that, from the beginning to the end of the world, and from among the whole human race, the Son of God, by his Spirit and his Word, gathers, protects, and preserves for himself, in the unity of true faith, a congregation chosen for eternal life. Moreover, I believe that I am and forever will remain a living member of it.***

Minister What do you understand by the "communion of saints"?

People ***First, that believers one and all, as partakers of the Lord Jesus Christ, and all his treasures and gifts, shall share in one fellowship. Second, that each one ought to know that he is obliged to use his gifts freely and with joy for the benefit and welfare of other members.***

Prayer of Intercession and 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,  
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 forever. Amen.***

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

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

Charge and Benediction

Postlude