

Order of Sunday Evening Service
6:00 PM

Prelude

Readings from God's Holy Word

Matthew 22:1-15
Romans 8:30
John 6:44
Acts 16:14

Hymn

And Can It Be

See Handout

Heidelberg Catechism

Lord's Day 5

12. Since, according to God's righteous judgment we deserve temporal and eternal punishment, how can we escape this punishment and be again received into favor?

God demands that his justice be satisfied. Therefore we must make full payment, either by ourselves or through another.

13. Can we by ourselves make this payment?

Certainly not. On the contrary, we daily increase our debt.

14. Can any mere creature pay for us?

No. In the first place, God will not punish another creature for the sin which man has committed. Furthermore, no mere creature can sustain the burden of God's eternal wrath against sin and deliver others from it.

15. What kind of mediator and deliverer must we seek?

One who is a true and righteous man, and yet more powerful than all creatures; that is, one who is at the same time true God.

Prayers of the Congregation

- Adoration
- Confession
- Thanksgiving
- Supplication

The Christian Life:

"Convinced and Converted"

Hymn

How Sweet and Awesome is the Place

See Handout

Prayer

Announcements

Welcome. We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us today. If you are a visitor, please feel free to pick up a blue informational folder outside the entrances to the sanctuary to learn more about our church. Also, please fill out a visitor card in the pew racks and place in the offering plate so we can have a record of your visit. Thank you.

A Word About Our Worship Service. Hymn of Praise: The Doxology is simply a "hymn of praise". In the hymn, we acknowledge the greatness of the triune God and His gracious provision of all things for us. We sing this after we offer God the first fruits of our labors, our financial tithes and offerings.

Sunday Nights @ First. Join us tonight at 6 PM. We will sing, pray and hear from God's Word. Our study will be: The Christian Life: *Convinced and Converted*.

Women's Bible Study meets Wednesday, September 23 at 11:15 PM. Our study will be lesson 2 in *Joshua*.

Women's Book Study on *Extravagant Grace* next meets on Tuesday, October 13 at 7 PM.

Young at Heart. Make plans to join us this Tuesday, September 22 at 11:45 AM. We will enjoy a covered dish meal. If you are able, please bring one of your favorite dishes. Our own Mandy Crotts will be the speaker.

Missions BBQ/Cookout. Mark your calendar for October 3 from 4-8 PM and join us for good food and fellowship. Stay tuned for further details.

Greater Vision Banquet. The Piedmont Rescue Mission's Greater Vision Banquet 2015 will be October 15, 2015, 6PM at the National Agents Alliance Building, 1214 Turrentine St., Burlington, NC. The meal is catered by Golden Corral. Please join us for an evening of fellowship as we learn about this vital ministry in our community. Please see the flyer on the bulletin boards. The Keynote Speaker is Robert Amaya, *Co-Star* in the movie *Courageous*, "Jaiver Martinez." There is no cost for your meal. However, this is the main fundraiser for the rescue mission, so a generous donation is appreciated. Please let Glenn or Margaret Owens know if you will be attending.

Ministry Information

Nursery: Today: Nicole Newton and Fran Haynes
Next Week: Jessica Richardson and Macon Baird
Counter: Today: David Newton
Next Week: Doug Glass
Deacon on Duty: Today: Doug Glass
Next Week: Stephen Robinson

Tithes and Offerings for September 13:

General Fund: \$4,565.20

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“To the King of the
ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be
honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.”
I Timothy 1:17

**The Lord's Day
September 20, 2015**

Order of Worship

11:00 AM

Greeting of the Saints *The Congregation & Visitors*

Prelude *Ed Limon*

Welcome and Announcements

Voluntary for Silent Prayer

Votum Psalm 124:8

Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

Salutation Revelation 1:4-5

Call to Worship* Psalm 149

Hymn of Adoration*
#16 We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation*

Affirmation of Faith The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by Whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Song of Praise*
#74 Majesty

Corporate Confession of Sin

Almighty God, we are unworthy to come into your presence, by reason of our manifold sins and wickedness; much less to receive any grace or mercy at your hands, if you should deal with us according to our deservings. For we have sinned, O Lord, against you, and have offended your holy Majesty. We were conceived in sin, and in iniquity was every one of us born. All the days of our life we have continued in sin and wickedness, to follow the corruption of our fleshly nature. Therefore, O Lord, if you should enter into judgment with us, you have just occasion not only to punish these our mortal bodies, but also to punish us both in body and soul eternally. But yet, O Lord, we acknowledge our sins and offences, together with the fearful judgment that justly you may pour upon us. We also acknowledge you to be a merciful God, a loving and favorable Father, to all them that turn to you, for your Son's sake, to show mercy upon us, and forgive us all our offences. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, both now and forever. Amen. (adapted from liturgy of John Knox.)

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Scriptural Assurance of Pardon Titus 3:5-7

For we ourselves were once foolish, disobedient, led astray, slaves to various passions and pleasures, passing our days in malice and envy, hated by others and hating one another. But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit.

Hymn of Redemption*
#334 Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

Reading of the Old Testament Psalm 2

Pastoral Prayer 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.

The Lord's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory Choir
O Splendor of God's Glory Bright

Hymn of Praise* Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

Reading of the New Testament Hebrews 1:1-4

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of God's Word Rev. Bryan Crotts
The Glory of the Son

Prayer to Seal God's Word

Hymn of Commitment*
#235 At the Name of Jesus

Benediction*

Postlude *Ed Limon*

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