

Order of Sunday Evening Service
6:00 PM

Prelude

Reading from God's Holy Word Matthew 8:23-27

Hymn
#45 Trinity Hymnal Now unto Jehovah, Ye Sons of the Mighty

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 36. What are the benefits which in this life do accompany or flow from justification, adoption and sanctification?

A. The benefits which in this life do accompany or flow from justification, adoption and sanctification, are, assurance of God's love, peace of conscience, joy in the Holy Ghost, increase of grace, and perseverance therein to the end.

Q. 37. What benefits do believers receive from Christ at death?

A. The souls of believers are at their death made perfect in holiness, and do immediately pass into glory; and their bodies, being still united to Christ, do rest in their graves till the resurrection.

Q. 38. What benefits do believers receive from Christ at the resurrection?

A. At the resurrection, believers being raised up in glory, shall be openly acknowledged and acquitted in the day of judgment, and made perfectly blessed in the full enjoying of God to all eternity.

Prayers of the Congregation

Adoration - Confession - Thanksgiving - Supplication

For our homebound members: Elizabeth Barber, Theo Baulding, Jean Cathey, Foy Evans, Doris Haywood, June Little, George McKinney, Catherine Mangum, Pat Montgomery, Gene Parks and Mae Wilburn.

For the local ministries we support: Alamance Pregnancy Center, Caring Kitchen, Allied Churches, Gideons, Meals on Wheels, Piedmont Rescue Mission, Siloam Missionary Homes

For the regional ministries we support: Jesse & Shayna Wesselink (International Students in Triad), Ali & Tari Mitchell (ARP Connect/Ministry to Muslims in USA), Jeff & Shelia Osborne (Stateside/Short-Term Missions Coordinator), David Springer (Campus Outreach at Elon University)

For those sent to foreign places: Drew & Lauren Goodman (Pastor in Wales), Andy & Nanette Howard (Pakistan), Jeff & Lisa King (Spain), Nathan & Ashley Olson (Layman Serving the Church in Scotland)

For the Church of God to grow through the work of First Presbytery Church Extension and Synod's Outreach North America.

For those in our congregation who are sent on short-term missions: Connie Bennett to Trinidad, January 14-22.

That we'd be salt and light in our spheres of influence as we go about our daily lives in our community.

The Psalms *Giving God Glory!* Psalm 29

Prayer

Hymn
#335 Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Announcements

Welcome. We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us today. 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.

A Word About Our Worship Service. Hymn of Praise: The redeemed of God give praise to the Redeemer for the redemption accomplished for us! We joyfully celebrate the goodness of God and the life of the church.

Sunday Nights @ First. Join us tonight at 6 PM. We will sing, pray and hear from God's Word. Psalm 29, *Giving God Glory!*

Ladies Bible Study. January 25 at 11 AM. We will study chapter 8 in "*Galatians for You.*"

First Presbytery meets on Tuesday, January 24 at 10 AM at New Sterling Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church in Statesville, NC. Pray for Pastor Crotts and Jay Snow as they represent our congregation. If you are interested in attending as a guest, please come along! Our church will be hosting the Presbytery on April 11.

Fifth Sunday Hymn Sing and Social will be Sunday, January 29 at 6 PM. We're having supper together and a sign-up sheet is in the Fellowship Hall for crockpots of chili, tortilla chips, cornbread, cheddar cheese, sour cream/yogurt, guacamole, brownies with ice cream! Please make plans to come sing, eat and enjoy one another's company. Bring a friend or family member with you!

Handbell Rehearsals will resume on Wednesday, February 1.

Men's Lunch will next meet on Monday, February 6 at Noon at Southbound Sandwich Works and the next **Men's Evening Gathering** will be February 20 at 7 PM at Panera Bread.

Ladies Tuesday Evening Book Study. Our Ladies' book study of Melissa Krueger's *Envy of Eve* will begin with a study/discussion of Chapter 1 on Tuesday, February 7 at 7 PM in the Hospitality Room. This study is for ladies of all ages and will be taught by Pastor Crotts. Please let him know if you need a copy of the book.

The Session will next meet on Monday, February 13 at 7 PM.

Congregational Luncheon will be held on Sunday, February 19 after Worship. 19 Connie Bennett will be giving a report on her Mission Trip to Trinidad. The Church will provide the meal of spaghetti, meatballs, salad, and bread. The Congregation is requested to bring desserts.

Ministry Information

Nursery: Today: Macon Baird & Laurene Howington

Next Week:

Counter: Today: Ferald Mann

Next Week: Larry Isley

Deacon on Duty: Today: Larry Isley

Next Week: Stephen Robinson

Last Week's Tithes and Offerings:

General Fund from January 1: \$6,167.75

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“Abraham breathed his last and died in a good old age, an old man and full of years, and was gathered to his people.”
Genesis 25:8

The Lord's Day
January 22, 2017

Order of Worship

11:00 AM

Greeting of the Saints *The Congregation & Visitors*

Prelude Julie Snow

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 92:1-5; 12-15

Hymn of Adoration*
#25 Immortal, Invisible

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation*

Affirmation of Faith Westminster Creed

Minister: Congregation of our Lord Jesus Christ, what do you believe?

People: I believe man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever; I believe God is a Spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable, in his being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth; I believe there is but one true and living God; that there are three persons in the Godhead; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; and that these three are one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory; I believe God has foreordained whatever comes to pass; that God made all things of nothing, by the word of his power, in the space of six days, and all very good; and that God preserves and governs all his creatures and all their actions. I believe that God chose and ordained the Lord Jesus, his only begotten Son, to be the Mediator between God and man, the Prophet, Priest and King, the Head and Savior of his Church. I believe that from all eternity God gave his Son a people, who will be redeemed, called, justified, sanctified and glorified.

Unison: Thanks be to God!

Song of Praise*
#74 Majesty

Corporate Confession of Sin

O merciful God and heavenly Father, we acknowledge and confess our great sinfulness before you, because of our own sins, the sins of our leaders, the sins of our whole nation, to which we are in many ways accomplices. We have done what you have forbidden, and left undone what you have required of us, not only out of our ignorance and weakness, but out of our presumption: against the light of our minds, the prodding of our consciences, and the moving of your own Holy Spirit, so that we have no cloak for our sins. We are grieved by our blindness of mind, hardness of heart, unbelief, impenitence, security, and lukewarmness. We have not walked with you without wavering, nor have we been as zealous of your glory and the good of others as we ought. Yet in spite of all this, we draw near to the throne of grace, encouraging ourselves with the hope of a gracious answer to our prayers, and with the confidence of the exceedingly great and precious promises of mercy and grace in the new covenant. We humbly and earnestly ask you for mercy, for the free and full remission of all our sins, because of the bitter sufferings and precious merits of our only Savior Jesus Christ. In whose name we pray. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Scriptural Assurance of Pardon Psalm 51:16-17

For you will not delight in sacrifice, or I would give it: you will not be pleased with a burnt offering. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Hymn of Redemption*
#494 Like A River Glorious

Reading of the New Testament Titus 2:1-3:11

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/Anthem Adult Choir
When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder

Hymn of Praise*
#625 Doxology

Reading of the Old Testament Genesis 25:7-8

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of God's Word Pastor Bryan Crotts
A Good Old Age

Prayer to Seal God's Word

Hymn of Commitment
#50 The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want

Benediction*

Postlude *Ed Limon*

Sermon Notes