

Order of Sunday Evening Service
6:00 PM

Prelude

Reading from God's Holy Word I Corinthians 10:1-22

Hymn
#404 The Solid Rock

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 33. What is justification?

A. Justification is an act of God's free grace, wherein he pardoneth all our sins, and accepteth us as righteous in his sight, only for the righteousness of Christ imputed to us, and received by faith alone.

Q. 34. What is adoption?

A. Adoption is an act of God's free grace, whereby we are received into the number, and have a right to all the privileges of, the sons of God.

Q. 35. What is sanctification?

A. Sanctification is the work of God's free grace, whereby we are renewed in the whole man after the image of God, and are enabled more and more to die unto sin, and live unto righteousness.

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.

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 Psalm 28

Prayer

Hymn
#204 Rock of Ages

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. Prayer of Adoration and Invocation: This prayer leads the congregation in telling God how great He is and how much we adore Him. We also ask that God would be present in our worship, that he would dwell in our midst as we worship and commune with us in a special way.

Sunday Nights @ First. Join us tonight at 6 PM. We will sing, pray and hear from God's Word. Psalm 28.

Ordination and Installation of Officers. Today we will participate in the ordination and installation of officers for 2017.

Men's Lunch. Join us on Monday, January 9 at Southbound Sandwich Works at 12 noon. We will study chapter 12.

Joint Session will meet on Monday, January 9 at 7 PM.

Ladies Bible Study resumes on January 11 at 11 AM. We will study chapter 7 in "Galatians for You."

Men's Gathering. Join us on Monday, January 16 at Panera Bread at 7 PM. We will study chapter 9.

Missions Trip. The Congregation will be commissioning Connie today for her seventh trip for medical missions in Trinidad. Her gifts are well-utilized on the trip. You may participate in sending Connie by your prayers and financial support. The Presbyterian Church in America's (P.C.A.) Mission to the World is hosting the trip and provides all necessary administrative support for the trip. If you wish to contribute financially to the mission, please do so by sending your check to: MTW, PO Box 2589, Suwanee, GA 30024-0982. Note in the memo Account #10865 and all proceeds will support our sister's trip. Her financial goal for support is \$2,100.

Operation Christmas Child Update. Save your old Christmas cards. The front of the card with the picture can be cut off and a message written on the back.

Ministry Information

Nursery: Today: John Robinson and Fran Haynes
Next Week: Kathy Isley and Laurie Isley

Counter: Today: Jay Snow
Next Week: Glenn Owens

Deacon on Duty: Today: Glenn Owens
Next Week: Stephen Robinson

Last Week's Tithes and Offerings:
General Fund: \$3,610.92

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Moses chose able men out of all Israel and made them heads over the people, chiefs of thousands, of hundreds, of fifties, and of tens. And they judged the people at all times.
Exodus 18:25-26a

The Lord's Day
January 8, 2017

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 100

Hymn of Adoration*
#26 A Mighty Fortress is Our God

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation*

Affirmation of Faith Heidelberg Catechism, No. 1&2

Minister: Christian, what is your only comfort in life and in death?

People: That I, with body and soul, both in life and in death, am not my own, but belong to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ, who with His precious blood has fully satisfied for all my sins, and redeemed me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; yes, that all things must be subservient to my salvation, and therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me sincerely willing and ready henceforth, to live unto him.

Minister: How many things are necessary for you to know, that in this comfort you may live and die happily?

People: Three things: First, the greatness of my sin and misery. Second, how I am redeemed from all my sins and misery. Third, how I am to be thankful to God for such redemption.

Unison: Thanks be to God!

Song of Praise*
#73 Thou Art Worthy

Corporate Confession of Sin

O Lord, eternity is yours, so you cannot be ignorant of what we tell you. By confessing our own miserable state to you and acknowledging your mercy towards us we open our hearts to you, so that you may free us wholly, as you have already begun

to do; so we may cease to be wretched in ourselves and may find our happiness in you. Therefore, we acknowledge our sin before you. In how many ways have we failed you, our Lord? O Lord, the depths of our conscience lie bare before your eyes. Could anything of ours remain hidden from you, even if we refused to confess it? We should only be shielding our eyes from seeing you, not hiding ourselves from you. For you have called us to be poor in spirit, meek, hungering and thirsting for righteousness, merciful, pure in heart, and peacemakers. Forgive us for every failure to be what you have called us to be, what the Lord Christ saved us to be, and what we ourselves, in our hearts desire to be for your sake. Forgive us, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen. [Adapted from Augustine's Confessions, XI, i; X, ii]

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Scriptural Assurance of Pardon Romans 4:25

Jesus our Lord... was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

Hymn of Redemption*
#404 The Solid Rock

Reading of the Old Testament Numbers 6:22-27

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
He Is Born

Hymn of Praise*
#625 Doxology

Reading of the New Testament Hebrews 13:17-25

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of God's Word Pastor Bryan Crotts
What Church Members Owe Their Leaders

Prayer to Seal God's Word

The Installation of Officers of the Church of Jesus Christ

Mr. Larry Isley

Questions to Officers-Elect

1-Do you believe in one God - Father, Son and Holy Spirit - and do you confess anew the Lord Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord, and acknowledge Him Head over all things for the Church, which is His Body?

2-Do you reaffirm your belief in the Bible, the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as the Word of the living God, the only perfect rule of faith and practice, infallible in all that it teaches, and inerrant in the original manuscripts, and to which nothing is to be added and from which nothing is to be taken at any time or upon any pretext?

3-Do you accept the doctrines of this Church, contained in the Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms, as founded on the Word of God and as the expression of your own faith and do you resolve to adhere thereto?

4-Do you accept the government, discipline, and worship of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church?

5-Do you accept the office of elder (deacon) in this congregation; and do you promise to perform faithfully all the duties of the office; and do you promise to endeavor by the grace of God to live your life in Christian witness before the church and in the world?

6-Do you promise to submit in the spirit of love to the authority of the Session and to the higher courts of the Church?

7-Do you promise in all things to promote the unity, peace, purity, and prosperity of the Church?

Question to the Members of First Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church

Do you, the members of this congregation, acknowledge and receive these fellow members as elder and deacon, and do you promise to give them all the honor, obedience, encouragement, and assistance in the spirit of love to which their office, according to the Word of God and the Standards of this Church, entitles them?

Commissioning to Mission Work Connie Bennett

Hymn of Commitment
#278 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

Benediction*

Postlude Ed Limon