

Order of Sunday Evening Service
6:00 PM

Prelude

Readings from God's Holy Word

Genesis 2:17
Romans 4

Hymn

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

Handout

Heidelberg Catechism

Lord's Day 8

Q. 23 What are these articles?

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, his only-begotten Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty' from thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.

Q. 24 How are these articles divided?

Into three parts:
the first is about God the Father and our creation;
the second about God the Son and our redemption;
the third about God the Holy Spirit and our sanctification.

Q 25. Since there is only one God, why do you speak of three persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?

Because God has so revealed himself in his Word that these three distinct persons are the one, true, eternal God.

The Christian Life:

"How Can Unrighteous Men Stand Before a Righteous God?"

Hymn

No Righteousness of Mine

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. Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon: As a people who continue to sin in this life we become fully aware, especially in the presence of God, of our great guilt and therefore we confess ourselves sinners and look to Christ alone for the ground of our salvation. In worship we do this both privately and corporately. Those truly repentant in faith receive the forgiveness of God..

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: "How Can Unrighteous Men Stand Before a Righteous God?"

Presbytery. Several Elders and Pastor Crotts will travel to Denver, NC for the Annual Meeting of the First Presbytery on Tuesday.

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

Handbell Practice. We will rehearse Wednesday night at 6:30.

Homecoming 2015. Make plans to celebrate the past 50 years of ministry at First Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church on Sunday, October 18. Our special day will include a Special Sunday School Class for all at 9:45, Worship at 11:00 AM and a luncheon to follow in the Fellowship Hall. The Rev. Jamie Hunt, Moderator of the General Synod of the ARPC and retired minister from Coddle Creek ARPC in Mooresville will be our guest preacher. His theme will be, "Stand by the roads, and look, and ask for the ancient paths, where the good way is; and walk in it, and find rest for your souls" from Jeremiah 6:16. Any ideas for the celebration should be sent to Jim Knox.

Women's Bible Study will next meet on Wednesday, October 21 at 11:15 AM. Our study will be lesson 4 in *Joshua*.

Ministry Information

Nursery: Today: John Robinson and _____
Next Week: Nicole Newton and Macon Baird
Counter: Today: Jay Snow
Next Week: David Newton
Deacon on Duty: Today: Stephen Robinson
Next Week: Doug Glass

Tithes and Offerings for September 27:
General Fund: \$6,187.40

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My son, do not lose sight of these - keep sound wisdom and discretion, and they will be life for your soul and adornment for your neck.
Proverbs 3:21-22

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 95

Hymn of Adoration*
#10 O Worship the King

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.

Song of Praise*
#73 Thou Art Worthy

Corporate Confession of Sin

Eternal Father, you are good beyond all thought, but I am sinful, miserable, and blind. My lips are ready to confess, but my heart is slow to feel, and my ways reluctant to amend. I bring my soul to you; break it, wound it, and mold it. Unmask to me sin's deformity that I may hate it and flee from it. Grant me to know that the way of transgressors is hard, that evil paths are wretched paths, and that to depart from you is to lose all good. I have seen the purity and beauty of your perfect law, the happiness of those in whose heart it reigns, yet I daily violate and condemn its precepts. All those sins I mourn and for them cry pardon. Work in me more profound and abiding repentance. Grant that through the tears of repentance I may see more clearly the brightness and glories of the saving work of Jesus Christ on my behalf. In his Name, I trust. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Scriptural Assurance of Pardon I John 2:12

I am writing to you, little children, because your sins are forgiven for his name's sake.

Hymn of Redemption*
#283 We Are God's People

Presentation of New Members

Ossie Spaulding, Jennifer Spaulding, Andre White, David Spaulding, Seth Spaulding, Bryan Ickes, Sarah Ickes, Sophia Ickes, Ava Grace Ickes, Caleb Ickes.

Reading of the Old Testament Deuteronomy 33-34

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 *Ed Limon*

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 2:1-4

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of God's Word Rev. Bryan Crotts
Listen Up and Listen Good!

Prayer to Seal God's Word

Hymn of Commitment*
#2 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Benediction*

Postlude *Ed Limon*

SERMON NOTES