

Order of Sunday Evening Service
6:00 PM

Prelude

Reading of God's Holy Word

Psalm 2

Hymn

#97 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Heidelberg Catechism

Lord's Day 24

62. But why can our good works not be our righteousness before God, or at least a part of it?

A. Because the righteousness which can stand before God's judgment must be absolutely perfect and in complete agreement with the law of God, whereas even our best works in this life are all imperfect and defiled with sin.

63. But do our good works earn nothing, even though God promises to reward them in this life and the next?

A. This reward is not earned; it is a gift of grace.

64. Does this teaching not make people careless and wicked?

A. No. It is impossible that those grafted into Christ by true faith should not bring forth fruits of thankfulness.

Prayers of the Congregation

Adoration - Confession - Thanksgiving - Petition

For our homebound members: Theo Baulding, Jean Cathey, Foy Evans, Doris Haywood, Jim & June Little, Mary Lou McKinney, Catherine Mangum, Pat Montgomery, Rucker Turner and Mae Wilburn.

For the local ministries we support: Alamance Pregnancy Center, Allied Churches, Gideons, Meals on Wheels, 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)

For those sent to foreign places: Drew & Lauren Goodman (Pastor in Wales), Andy & Nanette Howard (Pakistan), Jeff & Lisa King (Chile), 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.

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

Hymn

#345 Blessed Assurance

The Psalms

Psalm 2
Trust and Obey the Messiah

Prayer

Psalm

See Handout The Kingship of Jesus Bible Songs

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 2: Trust and Obey the Messiah.

Young at Heart. Young At Heart will meet Tuesday, February 23 at 11:45. The menu is soup, salad and sandwiches and desserts. The program is fire safety and medical safety tips from the Fire Department. Any food contributions are always welcome.

Ladies Weekly Bible Study. Join us on Wednesday mornings at 11 AM for our Bible Study on Joshua: No Failing Words by Dale Ralph Davis.

The Lord's Supper. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will next be served on Sunday, March 6 during worship. Please prepare your hearts and minds for this important way in which the Lord graciously feeds his saints.

A New Members Class will be offered during the 9:45 Sunday School hour beginning Sunday, March 6. If you are interested in membership at First A.R.P. Church, please let Pastor Crotts know.

Bridal Shower. You are invited to a bridal shower for Stephanie Payne and Jordan Strong on Saturday, March 19, 1:00-3:00 at the church building. The couple is registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond. If you'd like, please bring a favorite recipe to share.

Women's Ministry. Please plan to attend a women's fellowship luncheon Saturday, March 19 at Two for Tea at 3 PM. More details to come.

Baby Shower. Save the date for a baby shower for Kristen and Travis Carter. Saturday, April 2, 2016. Time: TBD.

Ministry Information

Nursery: Today: Dot Hutelmyer and Vickie McPherson

Next Week: Bryan Ickes and _____

Counter: Today: Bill Haynes

Next Week: Jay Snow

Deacon on Duty: Today: Glenn Owens

Next Week: Stephen Robinson

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You therefore, beloved, knowing this beforehand,
take care that you are not carried away with the error of
lawless people and lose your own stability.
2 Peter 3:17

The Lord's Day
February 28, 2016

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* Exodus 15 & Revelation 15

Hymn of Adoration*
#1 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation*

Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed

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

People: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will 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. Amen.

Song of Praise*

#30

How Majestic is Your Name

Corporate Confession of Sin

*Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions.
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin!
For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.
Against you, you only, have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you may be justified in your words
and blameless in your judgment.
Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,
and in sin did my mother conceive me.
Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with a willing spirit.*

(Psalm 51:1-5, 9-12)

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Scriptural Assurance of Pardon Romans 8:31-32

What, then, shall we say in response to this? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all--how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?

Hymn of Redemption*
#233 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Reading of the Old Testament Ezra 8:1-9:3

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 Handbell Choir

Processional

Psalm of Praise* Psalm 117, Trinity Psalter
LAAS T UNS ERFREUEN

From all that dwells below the skies,
O let Jehovah's praise arise!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
And let His glorious name be sung
In ev'ry land, by every tongue!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia

Great are the mercies of the LORD,
And truth eternal is His word;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Ye nations, sound from shore to shore
Jehovah's praise forevermore!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia

Reading of the New Testament Hebrews 5:11-14

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of God's Word Rev. Bryan Crotts
No Sleeping in Class

Prayer to Seal God's Word

Hymn of Commitment
#417 No One Understands Like Jesus

Benediction*

Postlude *Ed Limon*

Sermon Notes

* Congregation Standing