

**Order of Sunday Evening Service**  
**6:00 PM**

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**Prelude**

**Reading from God's Holy Word**

Romans 3

**Hymn**

#174

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

**Heidelberg Catechism**

**Lord's Day 27**

**72. Does this outward washing with water itself wash away sins?**

No, only the blood of Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit cleanse us from all sins.

**73. Why then does the Holy Spirit call baptism the washing of regeneration and the washing away of sins?**

God speaks in this way for a good reason. He wants to teach us that the blood and Spirit of Christ remove our sins just as water takes away dirt from the body. But, even more important, he wants to assure us by this divine pledge and sign that we are as truly cleansed from our sins spiritually as we are bodily washed with water.

**74. Should infants, too, be baptized?**

Yes. Infants as well as adults belong to God's covenant and congregation. Through Christ's blood the redemption from sin and the Holy Spirit, who works faith, are promised to them no less than to adults. Therefore, by baptism, as sign of the covenant, they must be incorporated into the Christian church and distinguished from the children of unbelievers. This was done in the old covenant by circumcision, in place of which baptism was instituted in the new covenant.

**Prayers of the Congregation**

Adoration - Confession - Thanksgiving - Supplication

**The Psalms**

Psalm 5

*Refuge for the Righteous*

**Prayer**

**Hymn Psalm 5 (Tune: ABERYSTWYTH) Trinity Psalter**

<sup>1</sup> Oh Jehovah, hear my words; To my thoughts attentive be. <sup>2</sup> Hear my cry, my King, my God, For I make my prayer to Thee. <sup>3</sup> With the morning light, O LORD, Thou shalt hear my voice and cry; In the morn my prayer arrange And keep constant watch will I.

<sup>4</sup> Truly Thou art not a God That in sin doth take delight; Evil shall not dwell with Thee, <sup>5</sup> Nor the proud stand in thy sight. Evildoers Thou dost hate; <sup>6</sup> Liars Thou will bring to naught. God abhors the man who loves Deed of blood or lying thought.

<sup>7</sup> But in Thine abundant grace To Thy house will I repair; Looking to Thy holy place, In thy fear I'll worship there. <sup>8</sup> Since, O LORD, mine enemies For my soul do lie in wait, Lead me in Thy righteousness; Make Thy way before me straight.

<sup>9</sup> For they flatter with their tongue; In their mouth no truth is found; Like an open grave their throat; all their thoughts with sin abound. <sup>10</sup> Hold them guilty, O my God; Them for all their sins expel; Let them fall by their own craft, For against Thee they rebel.

<sup>11</sup> But let all that trust Thy Care Ever glad and joyful be; Let them joy who love Thy name, For they guarded are by Thee. <sup>12</sup> And a blessing rich, O Lord, To the righteous Thou wilt yield; Thou will compass him about with Thy favor as a shield.

**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.** 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.

**Easter Denominational Offering.** Each year at Easter time the ARP Church collects a special offering to support some of the ministries of our denomination. Please use the special envelope provided. This offering will be collected today through Sunday, April 10, 2015.

**Sunday Nights @ First.** Join us tonight at 6 PM. We will sing, pray and hear from God's Word. Psalm 5: *Refuge for the Righteous.*

**The Lord's Supper.** The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will next be served on Sunday, April 3 during worship. Please prepare your hearts and minds for this important way in which the Lord graciously feeds his saints.

**Choir Practice News.** There will be no Adult Choir practice on March 27, 2016 or April 3, 2016. There will be no Handbell Choir practice on March 30, 2016.

**Baby Shower.** Save the date for a baby shower for Kristen and Travis Carter. Saturday, April 2, 2016. Time: 2 to 4. They are registered at Target and Babies R Us. Gift certificates are welcome so they can purchase the larger items needed. Also, instead of a card please bring a favorite childhood book.

**Homebound Visitation.** Please make plans to join the Elders and Women's Ministry Team members for a wonderful time of fellowship as we visit the homebound members of our church. You may bring goodies for bags to give them that day or give them to one of the Women's Ministry Team members. See you at 2:30 Saturday, April 16.

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**Ministry Information**

Nursery: Today: John Robinson and Dot Hutelmyer  
Next Fran Haynes and Vicki McPherson

Counter: Today: John Robinson  
Next Week: Jay snow

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

**Last Week's Tithes and Offerings:**

General Fund: \$2,153.25

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God is not man, that he should lie, or a son of man, that he should change his mind. Has he said, and will he not do it? Or has he spoken, and will he not fulfill it?

Numbers 23:19

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**The Lord's Day**  
**March 27, 2016**

## Order of Worship

11:00 AM

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**Greeting of the Saints** *The Congregation & Visitors*

**Prelude** He's Alive! *Choir*

### 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\*** Revelation 7

**Hymn of Adoration\***  
#225 Worship Christ the Risen King

### Prayer of Adoration and Invocation\*

**Affirmation of Faith** Westminster Shorter Catechism

#### Q. 57. Which is the fourth commandment?

A. The fourth commandment is, Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work: but the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

#### Q. 58. What is required in the fourth commandment?

A. The fourth commandment requireth the keeping holy to God such set times as he hath appointed in his word; expressly one whole day in seven, to be a holy sabbath to himself.

#### Q. 59. Which day of the seven hath God appointed to be the weekly sabbath?

A. From the beginning of the world to the resurrection of Christ, God appointed the seventh day of the week to be the weekly sabbath; and the first day of the week ever since, to continue to the end of the world, which is the Christian sabbath.

#### Q. 60. How is the sabbath to be sanctified?

A. The sabbath is to be sanctified by a holy resting all that day, even from such worldly employments and recreations as are lawful on other days; and spending the whole time in the public and private exercises of God's worship, except so much as is to be taken up in the works of necessity and mercy.

## Song of Praise\*

#623

Gloria Patri

### Corporate Confession of Sin

*Almighty God, who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly acknowledge that we have not lived in a manner worthy of your redeeming grace. You have raised us up with Christ who is seated at your right hand. You have commanded us to set our mind on things above and not on the things of earth. Yet we have transgressed your laws by loving ourselves more than you our God, or our neighbor. We are so easily caught up in the materialism of our day, worshipping the creature and the creation, rather than you, our Creator. Thus, do we forget your mighty victory over sin and death. Have mercy upon us, O God. Deliver us from immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed, which is idolatry. Do not leave us to ourselves but send your Spirit that we may live above this fallen world, and show forth your resurrection power. In the exalted name of our risen Savior, we pray. Amen.*

### Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

**Scriptural Assurance of Pardon** Romans 6:5-6

For if we have been united with Christ in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin.

### Hymn of Redemption\*

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder ALL SAINTS OLD

Let us love, and sing, and wonder,  
Let us praise the Saviour's name!  
He has hushed the law's loud thunder,  
He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame;  
He has washed us with his blood,  
He has brought us nigh to God.

Let us love the Lord who bought us,  
Pitied us when enemies,  
Called us by his grace, and taught us,  
Gave us ears and gave us eyes:  
He has washed us with his blood,  
He presents our souls to God.

Let us sing, though fierce temptation  
Threaten hard to bear us down!  
For the Lord, our strong salvation,  
Holds in view the conqueror's crown,  
He who washed us with his blood,  
Soon will bring us home to God.

Let us wonder; grace and justice  
Join, and point to mercy's store;  
When through grace in Christ our trust is,  
Justice smiles, and asks no more:  
He who washed us with his blood,  
Has secured our way to God.

Let us praise, and join the chorus  
Of the saints enthroned on high;  
Here they trusted him before us,  
Now their praises fill the sky:  
"Thou hast washed us with thy blood;  
Thou art worthy, Lamb of God!"

**Reading of the Old Testament** Genesis 22

### 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** David Newton

*Rise Again*

**Psalm of Praise\*** Old 100th

All praise be yours, O risen Lord,  
From death to endless life restored;  
Whom with the Father, we adore  
And holy Spirit evermore.

**Reading of the New Testament** Hebrews 6:13-20

### Prayer for Illumination

**Preaching of God's Word** Rev. Bryan Crotts  
*My Hope is Anchored in Heaven*

### Prayer to Seal God's Word

**Hymn of Commitment**  
#304 Lift High the Cross

### Benediction\*

**Postlude** *Ed Limon*

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