

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

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**Prelude**

**Reading from God's Holy Word**

John 12:27-36

**Hymn**

#506

I Will Sing of My Redeemer

**Heidelberg Catechism**

**Lord's Day 28**

**75. How does the Lord's supper signify and seal to you that you share in Christ's one sacrifice on the cross and in all his gifts?**

In this way: Christ has commanded me and all believers to eat of this broken bread and drink of this cup in remembrance of him. With this command he gave these promises: First, as surely as I see with my eyes the bread of the Lord broken for me and the cup given to me, so surely was his body offered for me and his blood poured out for me on the cross. Second, as surely as I receive from the hand of the minister and taste with my mouth the bread and the cup of the Lord as sure signs of Christ's body and blood, so surely does he himself nourish and refresh my soul to everlasting life with his crucified body and shed blood.

**76. What does it mean to eat the crucified body of Christ and to drink his shed blood?**

First, to accept with a believing heart all the suffering and the death of Christ, and so receive forgiveness of sins and life eternal. Second, to be united more and more to his sacred body who lives both in Christ and in us. Therefore, although Christ is in heaven and we are on earth, yet we are flesh of his flesh and bone of his bones, and we forever live and are governed by one Spirit, as the members of our body are by one soul.

**77. Where has Christ promised that he will nourish and refresh believers with his body and blood as surely as they eat of this broken bread and drink of this cup?**

In the institution of the Lord's supper: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes (1 Cor 11:23-26). This promise is repeated by Paul where he says: Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ? Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf."

**Prayers of the Congregation**

Adoration - Confession - Thanksgiving - Supplication

**The Psalms**

Psalm 6

*Worn Out and Weary*

**Prayer**

**Hymn**

Psalm 6

Bible Songs

Handout

**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 Reflection: When the Word of God reveals to us the greatness of God, the sinfulness of man and the grace of God in Christ, we must think on these matters and sing of them! Sometimes we sing joyfully. At times we may sing mournfully. Often we sing prayerfully, asking God to be at work in our hearts and minds.

**Easter Denominational Offering.** Each year at Easter time the ARP Church collects a special offering to support some of the ministries of our denomination. You may use the special envelope provided in last week's bulletin or use a pew envelope and note **Easter Offering**. This offering will be collected through Sunday, April 10, 2016.

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

**Choir Practice News.** There will be no Adult Choir practice today, April 3, 2016.

**Men's Lunch** will meet Monday, April 4 at Noon at Southbound Sandwich Works to consider chapter 3 of Masculine Mandate. The evening men's gathering will be Thursday, April 7 at 7 PM at The Blend and Company on Front Street (across from the Paramount Theater) to consider chapter 1 of Masculine Mandate.

**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.

**Young at Heart.** We had a wonderful time of food and fellowship at our last luncheon. Our next luncheon will be Tuesday April 26. We will have Lasagna, salad and rolls. Contributions of other pasta dishes, vegetables and desserts will be appreciated. Program TBA.

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**Ministry Information**

Nursery: Today: Fran Haynes and Vicki McPherson  
Next Week: John Robinson and Carol Erb

Counter: Today: Jay Snow  
Next Week: Steve Kyaw

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

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

General Fund:	\$ 6,471.00
Memorial (Jim Little)	\$50.00
Easter Denominational Offering	\$670.00

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Blessed be Abram by God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth; and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!  
Genesis 14:19-20

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## Order of Worship

11:00 AM

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**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 110

**Hymn of Adoration\***  
#175 Hallelujah, What a Savior!

**Prayer of Adoration and Invocation\***

**Affirmation of Faith** Westminster Shorter Catechism

**Q. 23. What offices does Christ execute as our redeemer?**  
A. Christ, as our redeemer, executes the offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in his estate of humiliation and exaltation.

**Q. 24. How does Christ execute the office of a prophet?**  
A. Christ executes the office of a prophet, in revealing to us, by his word and Spirit, the will of God for our salvation.

**Q. 25. How does Christ execute the office of a priest?**  
A. Christ executes the office of a priest, in his once offering up of himself a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice, and reconcile us to God; and in making continual intercession for us.

**Q. 26. How does Christ execute the office of a king?**  
A. Christ executes the office of a king, in subduing us to himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all his and our enemies.

**Q. 27. Wherein did Christ's humiliation consist?**  
A. Christ's humiliation consisted in his being born, and that in a low condition, made under the law, undergoing the miseries of this life, the wrath of God, and the cursed death of the cross; in being buried, and continuing under the power of death for a time.

**Q. 28. Wherein consists Christ's exaltation?**  
A. Christ's exaltation consists in his rising again from the dead on the third day, in ascending up into heaven, in sitting at the right hand of God the Father, and in coming to judge the world at the last day.

**Song of Praise\***  
#72 We Will Glorify

**Corporate Confession of Sin**

*Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature: prone to evil, slothful in good. From that nature a multitude of shortcomings and offenses has resulted. You alone know how often we have sinned; in wandering from your ways; in wasting your gifts; in forgetting your love. But you, O Lord, have pity upon us because we are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have displeased you. Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of your dear Son. And, O most holy and loving Father, help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**Silent Prayers of Personal Confession**

**Scriptural Assurance of Pardon** Acts 10:38, 43

You know of Jesus of Nazareth, how God anointed Him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and how He went about doing good, and healing all who were oppressed by the devil; for God was with Him. Of Him all the prophets bear witness that through His name every one who believes in Him has received forgiveness of sins.

**Hymn of Redemption\***  
#199 Arise, My Soul, Arise

**Reading of the Old Testament** Genesis 14

**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** *Julie Snow*

**Psalm of Praise\***  
#625 Doxology

**Reading of the New Testament** Hebrews 7:1-10

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Preaching of God's Word** Rev. Bryan Crotts  
*Jesus' Priestly Credentials*

**Prayer to Seal God's Word**

**Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

**Hymn of Commitment**  
#178 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

**Benediction\***

**Postlude** *Julie Snow*

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*The Lord's Supper will be administered today as part of our morning worship service. The Lord's Supper is for those who have been baptized in the Name of the Triune God, have publicly professed their faith in Christ, and are members of an evangelical church. Children who have not yet made a profession of faith and united with the church should refrain from taking the elements.*

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**Sermon Notes**