

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

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**Prelude**

**Reading from God's Holy Word** Romans 16:1-27

**Hymn** God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory! Handout

**Heidelberg Catechism** Lord's Day 34

**92. What is the law of the LORD?**

A. God spoke all these words: I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.

1. You shall have no other **gods** before me.

2. You shall not make for yourself an **idol** in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments.

3. You shall not **misuse the name** of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.

4. Remember the **Sabbath day** by keeping it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your manservant or maidservant, nor your animals, nor the alien within your gates. For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but he rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

5. **Honor your father and your mother**, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you.

6. You shall not **murder**.

7. You shall not commit **adultery**.

8. You shall not **steal**.

9. You shall not give **false testimony** against your neighbor.

10. You shall not **covet** your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

**93. How are these commandments divided?**

A. Into two parts. The first teaches us how to live in relation to God; the second, what duties we owe our neighbour.

**94. What does the LORD require in the first commandment?**

A. That for the sake of my very salvation I avoid and flee all idolatry, witchcraft, superstition, and prayer to saints or to other creatures. Further, that I rightly come to know the only true God, trust in him alone, submit to him with all humility and patience, expect all good from him only, and love, fear, and honour him with all my heart. In short, that I forsake all creatures rather than do the least thing against his will.

**95. What is idolatry?**

A. Idolatry is having or inventing something in which to put our trust instead of, or in addition to, the only true God who has revealed himself in his Word.

**Prayers of the Congregation**

Adoration - Confession - Thanksgiving - Supplication

**The Psalms** *Surrounded, But Supported* Psalm 12

**Prayer**

**Hymn** O Lord, Be My Helper True 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 Praise: The Doxology is simply a "hymn of praise". In the hymn, we acknowledge the greatness of the triune God and His gracious provision of all things for us. We sing this after we offer God the first fruits of our labors, our financial tithes and offerings.

**Sunday Nights @ First.** Join us tonight at 6 PM. We will sing, pray and hear from God's Word. Psalm 12: *Surrounded, But Supported*.

**Short-Term Missions & Jubilee Birthday Report.** Next Sunday, May 22, Sheila Osborne, a representative from World Witness, will be here during the Sunday School hour to speak about short-term missions opportunities through the denomination. She will also speak about the Jubilee Birthday Celebration Offering that we collect each year. Additionally, Ed and Lynn Limon will share about their summer missions opportunity in Mexico at 11 AM.

**Young at Heart.** Our next luncheon is Tuesday May 24 at 11:45 am. The menu will be sandwiches, salads and desserts. All food contributions will be greatly appreciated. We are planning a short devotional and a time of sharing.

**5th Sunday Hymn Sing and Social.** Please make plans to join us on May 29 at 6 PM for an enjoyable evening together!

**Missions Sunday & Congregational Lunch.** Mark your calendars for Sunday, June 5. Drew and Lauren Goodman will be with us for Sunday School, Worship, and Lunch. Pastor Goodman will share in the Sunday School hour, preach in our morning service, and be available during lunch to tell us about their pastoral ministry in Wales. They serve through the denomination's World Witness agency and serve the evangelical church in Wales.

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**Ministry Information**

Nursery: Today: Fran Haynes and John Robinson  
Next Week: Nicole Newton and Macon Baird

Counter: Today: David Newton  
Next Week: John Robinson

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

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

General Fund: \$5,465.82

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Without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins.  
Hebrews 9:22b

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**The Lord's Day**  
**May 15, 2016**

## Order of Worship

11:00 AM

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

**Prelude**    Handbell Choir  
*Fanfare of Praise*  
*Holy is the Lord*

**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 136

**Hymn of Adoration\***  
#8    Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

**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.

**Unison:** Thanks be to God!

## Song of Praise\*

#74

Majesty

## 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, hungry 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**    Hebrews 8:12

For I will be merciful toward their iniquities, and I will remember their sins no more.

## Hymn of Redemption\*

#203

And Can It Be?

**Reading of the Old Testament**    Exodus 24:1-18

## 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**

As the Deer

*Handbell Choir*

## Psalm of Praise\*

#625

Doxology

**Reading of the New Testament**    Hebrews 9:15-28

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Preaching of God's Word**    Rev. Bryan Crotts  
*The Blood of the Covenant*

**Prayer to Seal God's Word**

**Hymn of Commitment**  
#81    What a Wonderful Savior!

**Benediction\***

**Postlude**    *Ed Limon*

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**Sermon Notes**

\* Congregation Standing