

Order of Sunday Evening Service
6:00 PM

Prelude

Reading from God's Holy Word Hebrews 5:1-9

Hymn
Handout All You That Fear Jehovah's Name

Heidelberg Catechism Lord's Day 44

113. What does the tenth commandment require of us?

A. That not even the slightest thought or desire contrary to any of God's commandments should ever arise in our heart. Rather, with all our heart we should always hate all sin and delight in all righteousness.

114. But can those converted to God keep these commandments perfectly?

A. No. In this life even the holiest have only a small beginning of this obedience. Nevertheless, with earnest purpose they do begin to live not only according to some but to all the commandments of God.

115. If in this life no one can keep the ten commandments perfectly, why does God have them preached so strictly?

A. First, so that throughout our life we may more and more become aware of our sinful nature, the forgiveness of sins and righteousness in Christ. Second, so that, while praying to God for the grace of the Holy Spirit, we may never stop striving to be renewed more and more after God's image, until after this life we reach the goal of perfection.

Prayers of the Congregation

Adoration - Confession - Thanksgiving - Supplication

For our homebound members: Elizabeth Barber, Theo Baulding, Jean Cathey, Foy Evans, Doris Haywood, June Little, Mary Lou McKinney, Catherine Mangum, Pat Montgomery, Gene & Helen Parks 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 (Spain), 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.

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

The Psalms *Help!* Psalm 22

Prayer

Hymn Handout
My God, My God, O Why Have You Forsaken Me?

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 Faith: All things necessary for living life and understanding God, reality, salvation and Christian duty are given to us in Scriptures. It is right and good for the people of God to profess with their lips what we believe is true.

Sunday Nights @ First. Join us tonight at 6 PM. We will sing, pray and hear from God's Word. Psalm 22: *Help!*

Christmas in August! Now is a good time to stock up on supplies for Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes. Crayons, pencils, sharpeners, scissors, erasers, rulers, glue sticks, underwear, socks, tees, etc. Avoid large items like notebooks. Questions, call Joyce Payne 222-1133.

Thursday Evening Men's Gathering will meet to discuss chapter 4 of Masculine Mandate on Thursday, August 11 at 7 PM at Panera Bread.

Women's Ministry - Book Study. Women's book study will meet Tuesday, August 9, at 6:30 PM at Janice Richardson's home. We will share a pot luck meal and finish our book, *Extravagant Grace*.

Our annual Ladies Tea (for all ages) will be Saturday, August 13 at 2 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Invite someone and bring a favorite tea cup to drink from.

First Presbyterial Women's Retreat. The fifth First Presbyterial Women's Ministries Retreat will be held this fall at Bonclarken on November 4-5. The theme for the retreat is God's Marvelous Grace. Barbara Duguid who has written the book *Extravagant Grace*, will share her story of God's amazing grace. The purpose of this retreat is to grow in our understanding of God's Word and to have fellowship with our sisters across the Presbytery. The annual meeting for the Presbyterial is part of the retreat this year and is to be held after lunch on Saturday. Details regarding the retreat are posted on the bulletin board in the hallway. We hope you will consider joining us again for a time of Bible study, renewal and fellowship.

Kitchen Dishes and Table Cloths: Some of our table cloths and dishes are missing. Please check to see if you might have some. We have numerous functions in the near future and all of them will be needed. Thank you for returning them to the kitchen ASAP!

Ministry Information

Nursery: Today: Macon Baird and _____
Next Week: Fran Haynes and Vickie McPherson

Counter: Today:
Next Week: Jim Knox
Deacon on Duty: Today: Glenn Owens
Next Week: Stephen Robinson

Last Week's Tithes and Offerings:
General Fund: \$7,447.37

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And we desire each one of you to show the same earnestness to have the full assurance of hope until the end, so that you may not be sluggish, but imitators of those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

Hebrews 6:11-12

The Lord's Day
August 7, 2016

Order of Worship

11:00 AM

Greeting of the Saints *The Congregation & Visitors*

Prelude

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 84

Hymn of Adoration*
#233 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Affirmation of Faith The Nicene Creed

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

People: We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by Whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Song of Praise
72 We Will Glorify

Corporate Confession of Sin

O God of grace, you have imputed my sin to my substitute, and have imputed his righteousness to my soul. But in my Christian walk I am still in rags; my best prayers are stained with sin; my confessions of wrong are so many aggravations of sin; my receiving the Spirit is tainted with selfishness. I need to repent of my repentance. I need my tears to be washed. I have no robe to bring to cover my sins, no loom to weave my own righteousness. I am always standing clothed in filthy garments, and by grace am always receiving change of raiment, for you do always justify the ungodly. I am always going into the far country, and always returning home as a prodigal, always saying, Father, forgive me, and Thou art always bringing forth the best robe. Grant me never to lose sight of the exceeding sinfulness of sin, the exceeding righteousness of salvation, the exceeding glory of Christ, the exceeding beauty of holiness, and the exceeding wonder of grace.

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Scriptural Assurance of Pardon Psalm 51:16-17

For You do not desire sacrifice, or else I would give it; you do not delight in burnt offering. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, a broken and a contrite heart - these, O God, You will not despise.

Hymn of Redemption*
#409 I Know Whom I Have Believed

Reading of the Old Testament Psalm 78:1-1-8

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 Instrumental

Hymn of Praise*
#625 Doxology

Reading of the New Testament Hebrews 11:1-2

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of God's Word Rev. Bryan Crotts
By Faith - Part 1

Prayer to Seal God's Word

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Hymn of Commitment
#279 Faith of Our Fathers

Benediction*

Postlude Ed Limon

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.

Sermon Notes

* Please stand if you are able