

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Lord's Day, October 8, 2023

The LORD reigns, He is clothed with majesty; The LORD is clothed, He has girded Himself with strength. Surely the world is established, so that it cannot be moved. ... Your testimonies are very sure; Holiness adorns Your house, O LORD, forever. (Psalm 93:1,5)

[* indicates standing]

Prelude: [Welcome, Announcements (see on back page)]

Preparation for Worship: Psalter 150B

***God's Call to Worship** (see above)

***Confession of our need for God's grace** (Psalm 124:8):

"Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth"

***God's Greeting to His People**

***Song of Response** Psalter 93A (1,2,5)

***Opening Prayer**

God's Law: Romans 11:1-6, 11-23

Prayer of Confession and Praise
(God's assurance: Acts 13:38,39)

***Song of Praise** Psalter 51E (all)

Confession of Faith (see bulletin)

Prayer of Requests with Thanksgiving

Worship in giving of Tithes and Offerings

***Song of Preparation** Psalter 145C (9,10,11)

Prayer for God's blessing on His Word

Scripture Reading: Acts 13:13-52

Sermon: Acts 13:46

***Respond in Song** Psalter 22I (all)

***Benediction (God's parting Word of blessing)**

***(Moment of Silent Meditation)**

Sermon: Acts 13:46

God's sovereign plan for the Gospel to triumph against opposition.

We see:

1. God gives boldness in the face of violent opposition.
2. In God's plan, the Gospel is either for blessing or curse.
3. God's plan is worked out also in the face of rejection.

Questions for discussion: [see on the table]

The church is called to be a confessing church, that she may be,
the pillar and ground of the truth (1Tim. 3:15,16)

The Canons of Dort

The First Head of Doctrine [Election & Reprobation]

Article 3: The Preaching of the Gospel

In order that people may be brought to faith, God mercifully sends proclaimers of this very joyful message to the people He wishes and at the time He wishes. By this ministry people are called to repentance and faith in Christ crucified. For how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without someone preaching? And how shall they preach unless they have been sent? (Rom. 10:14-15).

Article 6: God's Eternal Decision

The fact that some receive from God the gift of faith within time, and that others do not, stems from His eternal decision. For all His works are known to God from eternity (Acts 15:18; Eph. 1:11). In accordance with this decision He graciously softens the hearts, however hard, of His chosen ones and inclines them to believe, but by His just judgment He leaves in their wickedness and hardness of heart those who have not been chosen. And in this especially is disclosed to us His act--unfathomable, and as merciful as it is just--of distinguishing between people equally lost. This is the well-known decision of election and reprobation revealed in God's Word. This decision the wicked, impure, and unstable distort to their own ruin, but it provides holy and godly souls with comfort beyond words.

Article 15: Reprobation

Moreover, Holy Scripture most especially highlights this eternal and undeserved grace of our election and brings it out more clearly for us, in that it further bears witness that not all people have been chosen but that some have not been chosen or have been passed by in God's eternal election-- those, that is, concerning whom God, on the basis of his entirely free, most just, irreproachable, and unchangeable good pleasure, made the following decision: to leave them in the common misery into which, by their own fault, they have plunged themselves; not to grant them saving faith and the grace of conversion; but finally to condemn and eternally punish them (having been left in their own ways and under His just judgment), not only for their unbelief but also for all their other sins, in order to display His justice. And this is the decision of reprobation, which does not at all make God the author of sin (a blasphemous thought!) but rather its fearful, irreproachable, just judge and avenger.

CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Wednesday's (6:30 PM)—Bible Study via Zoom (**DV resume in Fall**)
- Pizza & Theology—Last Friday of month; 6: 00-8:00 PM
[“Theology” is about discussing biblical truth for all of faith and life]

PRAYER REQUESTS

BE FAITHFUL IN PRAYER: (*Email your requests for prayer!*)

“Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God” (Phil. 4:6)

- Pray for our country, gov't and world; for persecuted Church in the world.

Pray for King's: (Sermon-Audio, website)

- Personal concerns and issues in the lives of other members.
God's blessing in our work, and all we do, as service to Him.
Pray for Hayden exploring career as radar technician; if he is approved he would move to Ascension Island for 1 year.
Parents training children (to know God's blessing and grace to persevere).
Pray for widows (Psalm 68:5; James 1:27). Pray for Kiersten & baby.
Pray for Sharilyn to have safe travels (to Canada Oct. 10-17).

- **HEALTH:** PTL for our health...and restoration to health. Rev. Gibson

- **LOVED ONES:** Friends & family serving in the military.
Holly's parents (father's better health and God's grace to them).
Elder Burrell's parents (health); Diana's mother (kidney disease).
Modolo's in Italy (homeschooling, family matters, translation projects).

Pray for ministry to the preborn: Pregnancy Centers in our area (Agape).

Gibsons (website & outreach); Michele (Orlando).

Legislation in states & in Florida; to stop abortions.

Pray for Regional Presbytery and the ministry of sister Churches:

PTL for Presbytery Meeting (via Zoom last week)...blessing of unity.

First Presbyterian Church (FPC) in Suriname (Rev. Hamid).

Heritage Reformed Presbyterian Church (HRPC) in NC (Rev. Booher).

Pray for covenant children, the youth, and single adults in our churches.

Pray for King's mission work through Reformation Christian Ministries:

All who work with RCM (Offices & Boards in US & Canada; GNBS).

Online students in College & Seminary. PTL for new student this past week.

CLA (in Suriname) pray for teachers and PTL for progress in construction.

SALT (ministry of Pastor Poettcker with RCM).

Pray for blessing on our worship in Tithes & Offerings.

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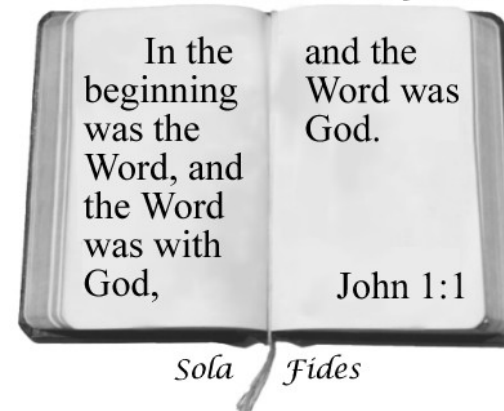
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Worship Service: Sundays 10:00 A.M.

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