SUNDAY MORNING – Pastor P. van der Hoek April 14, 2024

Pre-service Psalter 35:1-2 \*\* Silent Congregational Prayer Votum and Salutation Psalter 10 \*\* Reading of the Law: Exodus 20 Psalter 327:2-3\*\* Scripture Reading: 1 Samuel 17: 32-50 **Congregational Prayer** Offerings for the Lord's service (2 collections) Psalter 158:3-8 \*\* *Text:* 1 *Samuel* 17: 45 Theme: David's Victory over Goliath 1. A Taunting Champion 2. A Trusting Champion 3. A Triumphant Conquest Praver Psalter 35:3-6 \*\* Benediction Doxology: "Praise God..." \*\* \*\* Please stand if you are able

- 1. Compare and contrast David, with Goliath, Saul and the Israelite army. How and why is David so different from them all?
- 2. Who is Goliath a picture of and in what ways?
- 3. How does David respond to the mocking of Goliath, what was his focus?

4. What did Saul want David to do, what does that show about his trust? What can we learn from that?

- 5. How is David's courage inspiring for the daily life of faith?
- 6. In what ways does this story point us to the glory of the Gospel of Christ?
- 7. \* Why did David get angry? Why could David be brave? Who is David a picture of? Who is Goliath a picture of? What does this story teach us about faith? \*

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Pre-service Psalter 372 \*\* Silent Congregational Prayer Votum and Salutation Psalter 349 \*\* Scripture Reading: Hebrews 13: 1-21 Belgic Confession of Faith Art. 8 Congregational Prayer Offerings for the Lord's service (2 collections) Psalter 271 \*\* Text: Hebrews 13:17 Theme: Gospel Obedience in the Church 1. The Gospel Attitude of Church Members 2. The Gospel Authority of Church Leaders 3. The Gospel Aim of Church Leaders Prayer Psalter 371 \*\* Benediction Doxology: 197 \*\* \*\* Please stand if you are able

- 2. What does it mean to obey and submit yourselves to church leadership? What are you to do when church leadership fails to do what is right?
- 3. How can we make the work difficult for them? How can we make it a joy?
- 4. What does it mean for church leaders to rule? What does it mean to watch over souls? What makes office-bearing serious work?
- 5. What should be the aim of church leaders? What should be the aim of church members? How does that lead us to look to Jesus?
- 6. \* How are we to respond to church leaders? What is the task of church leaders? What makes them joyful? What makes them sad? \*

\* Questions for younger children

## **Family Sermon Discussion Questions:**

1. What are some reasons why church leaders are often looked at with suspicion these days?