ORDER OF WORSHIP

Lord's Day, April 16, 2023

Give unto the LORD, O you mighty ones, Give unto the LORD glory and strength. Give unto the LORD the glory due to His name; Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness. (Psalm 29:1,2)

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Prelude: [Welcome, Announcements] (after worship>discuss Wed. study?)

| Preparation for Worship: | Psalter 93A (1,5) |
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| *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-Hymnal #51 (1,2,4) |
| *Opening Prayer | |
| God's Law: | Galatians 3:15-29 |
| Prayer of Confession and Praise | |
| (God's assurance: Psalm 29:11) | |
| *Song of Praise | Psalter 85B (all) |
| Confession of Faith & Call to Pre | pare for Lord's Supper (see bulletin) |
| Prayer of Requests with Thanksgi | ving |
| Worship in giving of Tithes and O | offerings |
| *Song of Preparation | Psalter-Hymnal #222 (1,2,3) |
| Prayer for God's blessing on His | Word |
| Scripture Reading: | Acts 7:1-8 |
| Sermon: | Acts 7:2-8 |
| *Respond in Song | Psalter 91A (1,2,4) |
| *Benediction (God's parting Wor | d of blessing) |
| *(Moment of Silent Meditation) | |
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Sermon: Acts 7:2-8

Through Stephen the Lord gives testimony of Himself in Abraham.

We see:

- 1. The God of glory graciously called Abraham out of his pagan past.
- 2. In grace God *promised* an *inheritance* to Abraham and his *seed*.
- 3. In grace God *gave* to Abraham *the covenant of circumcision*, as a sign of the promise.

<u>Questions for discussion</u>: [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 Westminster Confession of Faith

Chapter 7—Of God's Covenant with Man

- **WCF 7.4** This covenant of grace is frequently set forth in the Scripture by the name of a Testament, in reference to the death of Jesus Christ the testator, and to the everlasting inheritance, with all things belonging to it, therein bequeathed.(1)
- **WCF 7.5** This covenant was differently administered in the time of the law, and in the time of the gospel;(1) under the law it was administered by promises, prophecies, sacrifices, circumcision, the paschal lamb, and other types and ordinances delivered to the people of the Jews, all fore signifying Christ to come,(2) which were for that time sufficient and efficacious, through the operation of the Spirit, to instruct and build up the elect in faith in the promised Messiah,(3) by whom they had full remission of sins, and eternal salvation; and is called the Old Testament.(4)
- **WCF 7.6** Under the gospel, when Christ the substance(1) was exhibited, the ordinances in which this covenant is dispensed are the preaching of the Word, and the administration of the sacraments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper,(2) which, though fewer in number, and administered with more simplicity and less outward glory, yet in them it is held forth in more fullness, evidence, and spiritual efficacy,(3) to all nations, both Jews and Gentiles;(4) and is called the New Testament.(5) There are not therefore two covenants of grace differing in substance, but one and the same under various dispensations.(6)

LORD'S SUPPER PREPARATION

Lord willing, we will again have the joy of celebrating the Lord's Supper next Sunday. In the name of our Lord, we therefore call upon members to examine themselves and to prepare this week to come to this Supper in full assurance of faith, (1) believing that they are "worthy" to partake because of Jesus Christ and His suffering and death in their place, and (2) purposing to live their daily lives for His glory, by obeying all that He commands.

Visitors, who are members in good standing of a Bible-believing church, are encouraged to join us; fill out the "declaration" so that we may welcome you.

CALENDAR

- Wednesday's (6:00 PM)—Bible Study
- <u>Pizza & Theology—Last Friday of month; 6: 00-8:00 PM</u> ["Theology" is about discussing biblical truth for all of faith and life]

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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 <u>country, gov't and world</u>; for <u>persecuted Church in the world</u>. <u>Pray for King's</u>: (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. Parents training children (to know God's blessing and grace to persevere).
- HEALTH: PTL for our health...and restoration to health. Rev. Gibson
- LOVED ONES: Friends & family serving in the military. Holly's parents (health and God's grace to them). Elder Burrell's parents (health); Diana's mother (kidney disease). Modolo's in Italy (health & God's blessing in serving Him).
- <u>Pray for ministry to the preborn:</u> Pregnancy Centers in our area (Agape). Gibsons (website; presence at PP in Orlando); Michele (Orlando). Legislation in states & in Florida; to stop abortions.
- <u>Pray for Regional Presbytery and the ministry of sister Churches:</u> 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). Board meetings for US & Canada Boards. PTL for US Bd mtg past week. Online students in College & Seminary. CL A (school in Surinama) returning to classes this work (4th Ot)

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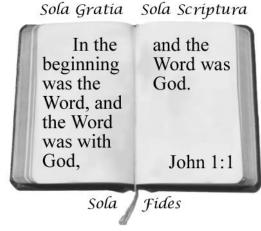
Pray for blessing on our worship in Tithes & Offerings.

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Worship Service: Sundays 10:00 A.M. Lord's Day, April 16, 2023