ORDER OF WORSHIP

Lord's Day, April 25, 2021

I love the LORD, because He has heard My voice and my supplications. ...I will offer to You the sacrifice of thanksgiving, And will call upon the name of the LORD. I will pay my vows to the LORD Now in the presence of all His people, (Psalm 116:1,17,18)

[* indicates standing]

Prelude: [Welcome, Announcements] Confirm P & T this Friday?

Preparation for Worship: Psalter 84B (4,6)

*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 116A (all)

*Opening Prayer

God's Law: Ephesians 6:1-11

Prayer of Confession and Praise

(God's assurance Psalm 145:17-19)

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

Confession of Faith (see bulletin)

Prayer of Requests with Thanksgiving

Worship in giving of Tithes and Offerings

*Song of Preparation Psalter 119R (1,2,3)

Prayer for God's blessing on His Word

Scripture Reading: Matthew 19:16–20:16
Sermon: Matthew 20:1-16

*Respond in Song Psalter 138B (1,4,6)

*Benediction (God's parting Word of blessing)

*(Moment of Silent Meditation)

Sermon: Matthew 20:1-16

Jesus warns of self-righteous service and gives assurance that willing service is rewarded by grace.

We see:

- 1. God owes no one anything, so our service is out of love and thanks.
- 2. Till Christ returns, it is never too late to serve Him as a son/heir.
- 3. In the Kingdom the principle of grace triumphs over merits.

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 Westminster Confession of Faith {Chapter 16—Of Good Works}

- WCF 16.3 Their ability to do good works is not at all of themselves, but wholly from the Spirit of Christ.(1) And that they may be enabled thereunto, beside the graces they have already received, there is required an actual influence of the same Holy Spirit to work in them to will and to do of His good pleasure:(2) yet are they not hereupon to grow negligent, as if they were not bound to perform any duty unless upon a special motion of the Spirit; but they ought to be diligent in stirring up the grace of God that is in them.(3)
- WCF 16.5 We cannot, by our best works, merit pardon of sin, or eternal life, at the hand of God, by reason of the great disproportion that is between them and the glory to come, and the infinite distance that is between us and God, whom by them, we can neither profit nor satisfy for the debt of our former sins;(1) but when we have done all we can, we have done but our duty, and are unprofitable servants;(2) and because, as they are good, they proceed from His Spirit;(3) and as they are wrought by us, they are defiled, and mixed with so much weakness and imperfection, that they cannot endure the severity of God's judgment.(4)

The Heidelberg Catechism

- **62. Q.** But why can our good works not be our righteousness before God, or at least a part of it?
- A. Because the righteousness which can stand before God's judgment must be absolutely perfect and in complete agreement with the law of God,[1] whereas even our best works in this life are all imperfect and defiled with sin.[2]

Short Report of Session Meeting of April 22/21

- Discussed pastoral matters including participation at the Lord's Supper on April 18, and the membership class.
- Agreed on document to explain "covenant children and the Lord's Supper" and make available at back of church; members are welcome to ask questions or discuss in either discussion times or in P & T.
- Noted that Rev. Booher has now installed the Elder and HRPC is now an official Church.
- Discussed plans for special Presb. Mtg (May 6 via Zoom).
- Had a time of sermon discussion.
- Decided to have next Lord's Supper on May 23, Lord willing.
- Received quarterly financial report (to March/21).
- Next meeting, Lord willing, May 27/21.
- Thank you for your prayers, The Session.

CALENDAR

- Wednesday's (6:00 PM)—Catechism class. To resume in Fall of 2021
- Thursdays (6:00 PM)—Zoom Membership Class

(refresher course for those requesting prof of faith)

• 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 <u>country and government</u> and for <u>persecuted church in the world</u>.

<u>Pray for King's</u>: (Sermon-Audio, website, Good News Bible Study)

- Membership class meeting via Zoom.
- Our individual personal concerns and cares in situations of our lives.
 God's blessing in our work, and all we do, as service to Him.
 Dave in challenges at work and Card family in his different shifts.
 Parents raising children (to know God's blessing and grace to persevere).
 Dunham's in travelling back to Iowa (visiting family on the way).
- HEALTH: PTL for our health; pray for any with concerns/trials. Rev Gibson (ongoing health issue).
- LOVED ONES: Friends &family serving in the military.
 Holly's brother-in-law Jeremy (severe burns from house fire).
 Elder Burrell's parents; Diana's mother (kidney disease).
 Bonnie (Mrs. Dunham's friend); health & unsaved family.
 Modolo's in Italy (translating Reformed books; homeschooling).

Pray for Regional Presbytery and the ministry of sister Churches:

- 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.
- Special zoom meeting of Presbytery on May 6.
- Rev Gibson (<u>Abortion-Free KC</u>); pray for King's involvement in Florida.

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

- All who work with RCM (Florida office; Board in US & Canada; GNBS).
- Ongoing work & plans for RCM Canada Board meeting.
- Students in College & Seminary.
- CLA (Suriname) online teaching for all classes.
- SALT (ministry of Pastor Poettcker with RCM)

Pray for blessing on our worship in Tithes & Offerings.

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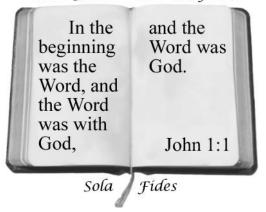
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Worship Service: Sundays 10:00 A.M. Lord's Day, April 25, 2021

Questions for discussion[Sermon: Matthew 20:1-16]

1.	Since this parable is especially about "service," what must we be clear about regarding "service"?
2.	What is the "problem" (unbiblical idea) with all "humanistic" explanations of this parable?
3.	What is "self-righteous service"?
4.	Why does God <u>not</u> owe anyone anything, except judgment?
5.	Since that is true (#4), how is it we get to have many blessings? Given our answer, how are we encouraged?
6.	Why did Jesus say (v.15)is our eye evil?