ORDER OF WORSHIP

Lord's Day, April 7, 2013

... the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth. (John 4:23,24)

[* indicates standing]

Prelude: [Welcome, Announcements]

Preparation for Worship: silent prayer

*The Call to Worship

*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 Welcome to His People

*Psalm of Response

Psalter-Hymnal #311 (all)

*Opening Prayer

God's Law Deuteronomy 5:8-10; 4:23-31

Prayer of Confession and Praise (God's assurance of pardon: Psalm 65:1-4)

*Psalm of Praise Psalter 65A(all)

Confession of Faith (see back)

Prayer of Requests with Thanksgiving

*Song of Preparation Psalter-Hymnal #315 (1,2,4)

Scripture Reading: Genesis 4:1-8, 25-26; Hebrews 11:4-7
Sermon: Deuteronomy 5:8-10

*Respond in Song Psalter 92C (1,2,5)

*Benediction (God's parting Word of blessing)

*(Moment of Silent Meditation)

Sermon: Deuteronomy 5:8-10

Living in the truth means living by the second commandment and how we worship and are taught.

We see:

- 1. Not all worship is acceptable to God; we may not invent our own ways to do it.
- 2. How we worship is about how we are taught spiritual truth.
- 3. In true worship we bow to God in repentance and faith, ready to be taught by the living preaching of His Word.
- 4. The awful result of violating this commandment and the gracious result of keeping it.

CALENDAR

- Sundays: 10:00 AM—Worship Service.
- Sundays: after worship —Informal fellowship in food, singing, prayer, discussion and study.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

BE FAITHFUL IN PRAYER: (Let us know your needs 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</u> and government, and <u>persecuted church</u> in the world.
- Pray for King's:
- God's blessing on the testimony of King's: SermonAudio, our website,
 Good News Bible Study students: Myliesha Martinez (kidney donor)
 Willie Moor (growth in the Lord); Kendra Bullock (family, salv.);
 Bradley Fichter (biblical church to attend); Babara Bean (wisdom in dealing with alcoholic husband); Katherine Smith & Mary Holcomb (growth in obedience).
- The Lord's blessing on joyful tithing/giving (in box on back table).
- God's blessing in our work, and all we do, as service to Him.
- Burrell's school (ministering to teachers & families; enrollment).
- Home-schoolers (to know God's blessing and grace to persevere).
- Hicks (the Lord's will and provision for change of work and moving).
- Pastor Donnan in Santa Fe for medical treatment (April 5 to May 11).
- HEALTH: Pastor Donnan (heart); Richard Murphy (serious injury from car accident); Roy's father (prostate cancer treatment; need of Gospel); Elizabeth Hicks (blood pressure); Kimberly (Dexter's daughter, heart problems); Gloria Donnan (Alzheimer's); Jason (pancreas, studies).
- Pray for Regional Presbytery and sister churches and their needs.
- Ministry of CRPC churches: Suriname (Rev. Hamid); Des Moines, Iowa (Rev. Waters); Durand, Illinois (Rev. Gibson).
- Reformed believers in South Africa (our covenant as Presbytery).
- Fellowship group meeting in Italy—Giorgio Modolo.
- Pray for King's mission work through Reformation Christian Ministries:
- Prayer for Kenyan churches seeking to build Bible school--need funds.
- Students from Reformed/Presby. churches in Indonesia and Philippines.
- The programs of study in College and Seminary; new enrollments.
- RCM's financial and personnel needs. Planning for future.
- Great need for programmers for Good News Bible Study program.
- Training of new GNBS church grading centers in Michigan.

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 Heidelberg Catechism

- **96. Q.** What does God require in the second commandment?
- A. We are not to make an image of God in any way,[1] nor to worship Him in any other manner than He has commanded in His Word.[2]

[1] Deut. 4:15-19; Is. 40:18-25; Acts 17:29; Rom. 1:23. [2] Lev. 10:1-7; Deut. 12:30; I Sam. 15:22, 23; Matt. 15:9; John 4:23, 24.

- **97. Q.** May we then not make any image at all?
- **<u>A.</u>** God cannot and may not be visibly portrayed in any way. Creatures may be portrayed, but God forbids us to make or have any images of them in order to worship them or to serve God through them.[1]

[1] Ex. 34:13, 14, 17; Num. 33:52; II Kings 18:4, 5; Is. 40:25.

- **98. Q.** But may images not be tolerated in the churches as "books for the laity"?
- **A.** No, for we should not be wiser than God. He wants His people to be taught not by means of dumb images[1] but by the living preaching of His Word.[2]

[1] Jer. 10:8; Hab. 2:18-20. [2] Rom. 10:14, 15, 17; II Tim. 3:16, 17; II Pet. 1:19.

Questions for discussion:

- 1. What does for yourself in the 2nd Commandment teach us?
- 2. What was the difference between the worship of Abel and of Cain?
- 3. What is significant about Deut. 4:15 in relation to the 2nd Commandment?
- 4. So...how do we "see" God?!
- 5. How can (should) we be "iconoclasts" today?
- 6. What should be the "center" of our worship?
- 7. What name (character) of God shows the reason for the results of obeying or disobeying the 2nd Commandment?
- 8. What does *visits* mean in the 2nd Commandment? How was this shown in Cain's line?
- 9. What does it mean that God is *showing mercy to thousands*? How is this shown in Abel's line? [How did Abel even have a "line"?!]

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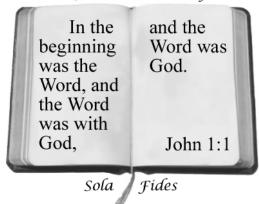
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