

Sermon Text: 1 Peter 2:9–17 (ESV)

9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. 10 Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

11 Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. 12 Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.

13 Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether it be to the emperor as supreme, 14 or to governors as sent by him to punish those who do evil and to praise those who do good. 15 For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people. 16 Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God. 17 Honor everyone. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the emperor.

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“If we hope in politics and laws, we will make the suicidal blunder of thinking that laws change hearts. They do not.”



-Ravi Zacharias

March 26, 1946

– May 19, 2020

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Time of Silent Prayer for Preparation

THE CALL TO WORSHIP: 1 Peter 2:4–5 (ESV)

As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

***SUP HYMNAL #7 – Be Unto Your Name**

***INVOCATION**

STATEMENT OF FAITH: HEIDELBERG WEEK #21

The Heidelberg Catechism aims to instruct us, from generation to generation, in the essential truths of scripture. It has helped guide Old Goshenhoppen Reformed Church since its founding in 1727



Remembering Servants in Life's Storm's: Litany
[Congregation, please read the red text]

Father in Heaven, we give you thanks.

For nature & its harmonious ecosystems teeming with life that help minister to us, teach us about you, and declare Your glory,

- **We give thanks and ask that you might bless our natural world Lord.** [bells]

For the police and firefighters who protect us, especially the Upper Salford Supervisors, Fire Company and Fire Police,

- **We give thanks and ask that you might bless them Lord.** [bells]

For all the medical personnel who strive to save our lives and keep us healthy: doctors, nurses, pharmacists, EMT workers, veterinarians, lab technicians, scientists, especially Erin Jones, and those also caring for members of our congregation.

- **We give thanks and ask that you might bless them Lord.** [bells]

For Hospice workers, and Funeral home personnel who care for our dying and departed

- **We give thanks and ask that you might bless them Lord.** [bells]

For those, who provide food and nourishment, especially farmers and volunteers distributing meals at food pantry's during this time (especially Judy Faringer).

- **We give thanks and ask that you might bless them Lord.** [bells]

For those who deliver our mail and packages,

- **We give thanks and ask that you might bless them Lord.** [bells]

For all those who have loved their neighbor during life's storms, especially those who made masks, or have been encouraging people during at this time with calls, cards, and conversations.

- **We give thanks and ask that you might bless them Lord.** [bells]

For the leaders of our community, state, nation and world,

- **We give thanks and ask that you might bless them Lord.** [bells]

For the essential business personnel: grocery store employees (like Linda Faringer), gas attendants, auto mechanics, repair men & women, landscapers, and other vital jobs we often overlook,

- **We give thanks and ask that you might bless them Lord.** [bells]

For those who have ministered to us in service, deed, word, spirit, and truth,

- **We give thanks and ask that you might bless them Lord.** [bells]

- *[In unison]* **Most importantly, we give thanks for the Great Servant of Heaven, Your dear Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. It is in His most precious name; we praise You and give You thanks forever and ever.** [bells] Amen

Hymn #451 Be Still, My Soul (v1, v3)

PASTORAL AND CORPORATE PRAYER
The LORD'S PRAYER

While there will be no offering during worship, you may give tithes & offerings in the back of the church or online at ogrc.org

SUP HYMNAL #21 – He Will Hold Me Fast



SERMON – Christian Citizenship

1 Peter 2:9-17

[The reading is on the back page]

OUR PRIVATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Our CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN:

O God, the journey through this season can be often exhausting, stressful, and confusing. At times hope, joy, and peace have eluded us, and we have given in, to sin. We confess our need for you yet again. Forgive us Lord and open our eyes to see more of your glory. Amen.

OUR ASSURANCE OF PARDON: 1 Peter 2:24 (ESV)

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

RESPONSE TO HIS PARDON - Hymn #734 – “Gloria Patri”

HYMN #436 – Grace Alone

BENEDICTION (A final good word from God)

CLOSING RESPONSE –

HYMN #710 - The Trees of the Field