## ORDER OF WORSHIP

# Lord's Day, June 11, 2023

O LORD, our Lord, How excellent is Your name in all the earth, Who have set Your glory above the heavens! Out of the mouth of babes and nursing infants You have ordained strength, Because of Your enemies, That You may silence the enemy and the avenger. (Psalm 8:1,2)

[\* indicates standing]

**Prelude:** [Welcome, Announcements]

**Preparation for Worship:** Psalter 84B (all)

\*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 8B (all)

\*Opening Prayer

God's Law:

Deuteronomy 10:12-22

**Prayer of Confession and Praise** 

(God's assurance: Psalm 25:18-22)

\*Song of Praise

Psalter 25C (all)

Confession of Faith & Call to prepare for Lord's Supper

(see bulletin)

Prayer of Requests with Thanksgiving

Worship in giving of Tithes and Offerings

\*Song of Preparation

Psalter 16B (1,3,5)

Prayer for God's blessing on His Word

**Scripture Reading:** 

Acts 7:51-60

Sermon:

Acts 7:59

\*Respond in Song

Psalter 116A (all)

\*Benediction (God's parting Word of blessing)

\*(Moment of Silent Meditation)

Sermon: Acts 7:59

The ruling Lord gives testimony in the death of Stephen.

#### We see:

- 1. The testimony of guilt which prompted the stoning of Stephen.
- 2. The testimony of *glory* which comforted Stephen in his death.
- 3. The testimony of the Spirit of the ruling Lord so that Stephen dies in faith and prayer.

**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 Heidelberg Catechism

- **39. Q.** Does it have a special meaning that Christ was crucified and did not die in a different way?
- **A.** Yes. Thereby I am assured that He took upon Himself the curse which lay on me, for a crucified one was cursed by God.[1] [1] Deut. 21:23; Gal. 3:13.
- **40. O.** Why was it necessary for Christ to humble Himself even unto death?
- A. Because of the justice and truth of God[1] satisfaction for our sins could be made in no other way than by the death of the Son of God.[2]

[1] Gen. 2:17. [2] Rom. 8:3; Phil. 2:8; Heb. 2:9, 14, 15.

- 42. O. Since Christ has died for us, why do we still have to die?
- **A.** Our death is not a payment for our sins, but it puts an end to sin and is an entrance into eternal life.[1]

[1] John 5:24; Phil. 1:21-23; I Thess. 5:9, 10.

#### LORD'S SUPPER PREPARATION

Lord willing, we will again celebrate the Lord's Supper next Sunday.

Let each one examine his life and, considering his own sin and God's wrath, be sure that he humbles himself in repentance before God.

Let each examine his heart to be sure that he trusts in Jesus Christ alone for his salvation, and that he believes his sins are forgiven by grace alone, because of the sacrifice of Christ on the cross for him.

<u>Let each examine his conscience</u> to be sure that he desires to live in faith and obedience before the Lord and his neighbor.

Let us examine ourselves, lest we eat and drink judgment upon ourselves. May we receive this sacrament as a comfort and strengthening of our faith. 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.

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#### **CALENDAR**

- Wednesday's (6:30 PM)—Bible Study via Zoom (June 7,14,21)
- <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</u>, <u>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).
   Pray for widows (Psalm 68:5; James 1:27).
- 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.

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.

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

All who work with RCM (Offices & Boards in US & Canada; GNBS). Online students in College & Seminary.

CLA (school in Suriname) "Vacation school" to June 23. PTL that CLA has been granted accreditation by the NAPS (National Assoc. of Private

Schools).

SALT (ministry of Pastor Poettcker with RCM).

Pray for blessing on our worship in Tithes & Offerings.

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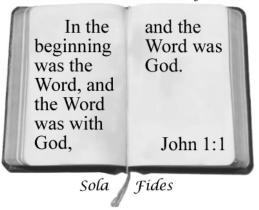
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