SUNDAY MORNING 8/21/16 Rev. David VanBrugge

Votum and Salutation Psalter 137:1-3, 6 Reading of the Law of God Psalter 65:2, 3 Scripture Reading: Genesis 12:1-9; Acts 7:1-8, 35-60 Prayer Psalter 278 Sermon Text: Genesis 12:1-3 Lord's Day 21a

Our LORD Gathers His Church

From the beginning
Through covenant
To blessing
Psalter 133 (standing)
Sermon Conclusion
Closing Prayer
Psalter 425:1, 4, 6
Doxology of Praise (pg. 415)
Benediction

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1. What is the church?

- 2. In what ways did the LORD gather His church from the beginning?
- 3. How does this gathering of people from the beginning show the need for *faith*?
- 4. What is a covenant? How is God's revelation of the covenant to Abraham part of gathering the church?
- 5. How was this covenant with Abraham used throughout the Scriptures as a call to the people? Why?
- 6. What blessings does this covenant bestow?
- 7. Why are we gathered as a church? What responsibility does this place on us?