

The Lord's Day Worship Service

May 24, 2020

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Welcome of Guests and Announcements

Prelude

ADORATION OF GOD

Call to Worship

Lam. 3:22-24

The LORD'S lovingkindnesses indeed never cease,

For His compassions never fail.

They are new every morning;

Great is Your faithfulness.

"The LORD is my portion," says my soul,

"Therefore I have hope in Him."

Prayer of Invocation

* Hymn # 1....."All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

* Old Testament Scripture Reading.....Esther 2:15-20

CONFESSION OF SIN

Adapted from the *Book of Common Worship* (1906).....read responsively

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature – prone to evil and slothful in good – and all our shortcomings and offenses against you.

You alone know how often we have sinned, in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love.

O Lord, have mercy on us, who are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have displeased you. Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of your dear Son.

And, O most holy and loving Father, send your purifying grace into our hearts, we beseech you, that we may henceforth live in your light and walk in your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the promise of God to all who repent of their sins and trust in Christ:

"Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and YOU WILL FIND REST FOR YOUR SOULS. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

Matt. 11:28-30

Amen!

CONFESSION OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH

* Hymn # 558....."That Man Is Blest Who, Fearing God"

* New Testament Scripture Reading.....Revelation 12:1-6
The Heidelberg Catechism (Lord's Day 21).....read responsively

Q. 54 What believest thou concerning the "holy catholic church" of Christ?

A. **That the Son of God from the beginning to the end of the world, gathers, defends, and preserves to himself by his Spirit and word, out of the whole human race, a church chosen to everlasting life, agreeing in true faith; and that I am and forever shall remain, a living member thereof.**

Q. 55 What do you understand by "the communion of saints"?

A. **First, that all and every one, who believes, being members of Christ, are in common, partakers of him, and of all his riches and gifts; secondly, that every one must know it to be his duty, readily and cheerfully to employ his gifts, for the advantage and salvation of other members.**

Q. 56 What believest thou concerning "the forgiveness of sins"?

A. **That God, for the sake of Christ's satisfaction, will no more remember my sins, neither my corrupt nature, against which I have to struggle all my life long; but will graciously impute to me the righteousness of Christ, that I may never be condemned before the tribunal of God.**

God's Tithes and Our Offerings

* Doxology.....page 731

* Offertory Prayer

* Hymn # 246....."Man of Sorrows! What a Name"

MEANS OF GRACE

Prayer of Intercession

* Reading of the Word of God.....Acts 22:30-23:11

Sermon: "On Trial for the Hope of the Resurrection".....Dr. Jones

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

RESPONSE AND BLESSING

* Hymn # 550....."There Is a Land of Pure Delight"

* Benediction

* Congregational Threefold Amen

Acts 22:30–23:11 (NASB)

³⁰ But on the next day, wishing to know for certain why he had been accused by the Jews, he released him and ordered the chief priests and all the Council to assemble, and brought Paul down and set him before them. ¹ Paul, looking intently at the Council, said, “Brethren, I have lived my life with a perfectly good conscience before God up to this day.” ² The high priest Ananias commanded those standing beside him to strike him on the mouth. ³ Then Paul said to him, “God is going to strike you, you whitewashed wall! Do you sit to try me according to the Law, and in violation of the Law order me to be struck?” ⁴ But the bystanders said, “Do you revile God’s high priest?” ⁵ And Paul said, “I was not aware, brethren, that he was high priest; for it is written, ‘YOU SHALL NOT SPEAK EVIL OF A RULER OF YOUR PEOPLE.’” ⁶ But perceiving that one group were Sadducees and the other Pharisees, Paul *began* crying out in the Council, “Brethren, I am a Pharisee, a son of Pharisees; I am on trial for the hope and resurrection of the dead!” ⁷ As he said this, there occurred a dissension between the Pharisees and Sadducees, and the assembly was divided. ⁸ For the Sadducees say that there is no resurrection, nor an angel, nor a spirit, but the Pharisees acknowledge them all. ⁹ And there occurred a great uproar; and some of the scribes of the Pharisaic party stood up and *began* to argue heatedly, saying, “We find nothing wrong with this man; suppose a spirit or an angel has spoken to him?” ¹⁰ And as a great dissension was developing, the commander was afraid Paul would be torn to pieces by them and ordered the troops to go down and take him away from them by force, and bring him into the barracks. ¹¹ But on the night *immediately* following, the Lord stood at his side and said, “Take courage; for as you have solemnly witnessed to My cause at Jerusalem, so you must witness at Rome also.”

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“ To Glorify God, and Enjoy Him Forever ”

FRPC Announcements

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We welcome all worshippers, especially our new visitors.
Please talk to the pastor about scheduling a visit in your home this week.

WELCOME – We welcome you all to the worship service of the First Reformed Presbyterian Church of Moss Bluff. Our desire and prayer is for this church to grow to become a light for the Gospel of Jesus Christ in this community.

SUGGESTIONS – We welcome your input and suggestions on how to make First Reformed Presbyterian Church *the* church for you.

COMMUNION – We observe the Lord’s Supper each Lord’s Day during our corporate worship. The center cups contain grape juice and the other cups contain wine.

BIBLE STUDY – This Thursday we will continue our Bible Study with Lord’s Day 21 from the Heidelberg Catechism.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday

Sunday Worship.....8:30 A.M.
Fellowship Time.....9:30 A.M.
Sunday School.....10:00 A.M.
This Sunday the URL for YouTube is:.....https://youtu.be/O9EpHn_oHgE

Thursday

Thursday Fellowship Meal the clinic.....6:00 P.M.
Thursday Prayer Meeting.....6:45 P.M.

First Reformed Presbyterian Church Prayer Requests

THE CHURCH

FRPC & DeRidder PCA.....10 new families; evangelistic zeal
Southern Louisiana Presbytery.....108th Stated Meeting on July 25, 2020
Presbyterian Church in America.....48th General Assembly has been canceled
Persecuted Christians.....Pastor Wang Yi & Early Rain Covenant Church, China

MISSIONARIES

African Bible Colleges.....Students and teachers
Brian Brock.....Missionary pilot
Bill Carr.....Mokahum Ministry Center (Native American Ministry) in Bemidji, MN
Scott Clement.....(RE Plains PCA, Zachary) Navojoa, Sonora, Mexico
Yannick Imbert.....Prof. at Aix-en-Provence, France

SALVATION

Kathy’s and Barbara’s sisters
Don
Jennie

CHILDREN & GRANDCHILDREN

Abby Finn	Caleb Greene	Noah Greene
Gavin Finn	Eowyn Greene	Phillip Greene
Lizzie Finn	Ilijah Greene	Samuel Greene

GENERAL HEALTH & OTHER CONCERNS

Harvey Clineman.....Salvation; recovery from multiple bypass surgery
Bill Haas (director of Mokahum).....Stroke and recovery
Kathy Harper.....Pain in lower abdomen
Angie.....Virus infection in Asst Care facility where she works
Barbara Hebert.....Recovery from stroke; broken foot
Beth Lordo.....Balancing work and family; medical treatments
Don Lordo.....Kidney stones
Ben Scoggins.....Rehab
Charity Scoggins.....Eczema
Elbie (Elizabeth) van der Merwe.....Spot on spine; cannot walk; test results

CANCER

Margo Attwell.....Breast Cancer; chemo and radiation
Patty Audirsch.....Lung cancer; chemo and radiation; sepsis
Kent Bergeron (RE at Three Rivers PCA).....Continued recovery
Ken Richardson.....Cancer; heart medication
Marian Richardson.....Cancer; benign tumor in ear
Butch Sizelove.....Cancer; liver problems

ON TRIAL FOR THE HOPE OF THE RESURRECTION

Text: Acts 22:30–23:11

I. PAUL BEFORE THE SANHEDRIN

A. The Commander Summons The Jewish Council

B. Paul Gives His Statement

II. PAUL AND ANANIAS THE HIGH PRIEST

A. Ananias Orders Paul Struck

B. Paul Responds

C. Paul Is Rebuked

D. Paul Replies

III. PAUL DIVIDES THE COUNCIL

A. Pharisees And Sadducees

B. The Hope Of The Resurrection

C. Dissension And Uproar

IV. PAUL IS RESCUED AGAIN

A. By The Roman Commander

B. By The Lord Jesus Christ