SUNDAY MORNING 10-18-2020

Pre-service Psalter 318:1, 4** Silent Congregational Prayer Votum and Salutation Psalter 235:1-3** Reading of the Law: Deuteronomy 5:1-24 Response to the Law: 363:2, 3** Scripture: Numbers 21:4-9; John 3:13-21 **Congregational Prayer** Giving our offerings to the Lord's service*** Psalter 187:1-4** Text: John 3:14-15 Christ's Exposition of the History of the **Brazen Serpent** 1. He speaks of a divine necessity 2. He issues a divine promise Prayer Giving our offerings to the Lord's service*** Psalter 255:1, 4** Doxology: Psalter 412** Benediction ** Please stand if enabled *** Please do so when you exit

Family Sermon Discussion Questions:

1. What important connection is there between the new birth (regeneration) and faith in Christ?

2*. What can we learn from the fact that Christ chose the history of the brazen serpent to illustrate the basic message of the gospel?

- 3. How does Israel's sinful behavior in the desert illustrate the sin of unbelief?
- 4*. Why are the bitten Israelites an illustration of our sinful human race?
- 5. Why was the crucifixion of Christ an eternal "must"?
- 6. Why was God's message, proclaimed by Moses, such a simple message?
- 7. Why does God bestow such an extraordinary blessing upon the simple act of faith in Christ?
- 8. Why is the word "whosoever" such a precious and encouraging part of the gospel message?

SUNDAY EVENING 10-18-2020 Pre-service Psalter 321:1, 4** Silent Congregational Prayer Votum and Salutation Psalter 100: All** Scripture Reading: Acts 17:1-15 Reading of Heidelberg Catechism, LD. 38 Congregational Prayer Giving of our offerings to the Lord's service*** Psalter 337: All** Text: Acts 17:10-15 Theme: The Berean Response to the Gospel 1. They received the Word with all readiness 2. They searched the Scriptures daily 3. They believed the gospel 4. They encountered hostility from unbelieving Jews Prayer Giving of our offerings to the Lord's service*** Psalter 96: All** Doxology: Psalter 413** Benediction ** Please stand if enabled *** Please do so when you exit

- 1*. How was Satan defeated by the fact that Paul & Silas arrived in Berea?
- 2*. Why did Paul first go to the synagogue of the Jews?
- 3. What does it mean that the Bereans received the Word of God with "readiness of mind"?
- 4. Why did the Bereans search the Scriptures (Old Testament!) daily?

- 5. How do we know that their study of the Scriptures was fruitful?
- 6. Why did the Jews oppose Paul wherever he proclaimed the gospel?
- 7. What are some of the ways in which Satan stirs up people against the gospel today?
- 8. Why was it so significant that the opposition of the Jews caused Paul to arrive in Athens—of all places?
- * Questions for younger children