

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Lord's Day, October 19, 2014

...the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth. (John 4:23,24)

[* indicates standing]

Prelude: [Welcome, Announcements]

Preparation for Worship: Psalter-Hymnal #324 (1,3)

***The 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 Welcome to His People**

***Psalm of Response** Psalter-Hymnal #321 (1,2,4)

***Opening Prayer**

God's Law Hebrews 11:4-7; 11:32-12:2

Prayer of Confession and Praise

(God's assurance of pardon: 1John 2:1,2)

***Psalm of Praise** Psalter 25C (all)

Confession of Faith & Call to prepare for Lord's Supper (see bulletin)

Prayer of Requests with Thanksgiving

***Song of Preparation** Psalter 85B (5,6,7)

Scripture Reading: 2Kings 2:1-18; John 17:1-19

Sermon: (see below)

***Respond in Song** Psalter-Hymnal #124 (1,2,5)

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

*(**Moment of Silent Meditation**)

"Our common undoubted Christian faith" [Part 13]

Sermon: **Creed article 6 and Heidelberg Catechism #46-49**

The believer's confession of his Savior's ascension.

We see:

1. The physical reality of Christ's ascension and the reality of His physical return.
2. The mysterious truth of Christ's continued existence and abiding presence.
3. The comforting benefits of Christ's ascension, as His Church lives in this world.

CALENDAR

- Sundays: 10:00 AM—Worship Service.
- Sundays: after worship—Informal fellowship in food, singing, prayer, discussion and study.
- Pizza & Theology—Second Friday (if desired) & Last Friday (regular).
At school, 6: 30-8:30 PM
[“Theology” is about discussing biblical truth for all of faith and life]

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

BE FAITHFUL IN PRAYER: (*Let us know 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 country and government; and persecuted church in the world.
- Pray for King's: (SermonAudio, website, Good News Bible Study)
 - The Lord's blessing on joyful tithing/giving (in box on back table).
 - God's blessing in our work, and all we do, as service to Him.
 - Families raising children (to know God's blessing and grace to persevere).
 - Burrell's school (ministering to teachers & families; enrollment).
 - HEALTH: Each of us (young or older); Pastor Donnan (heart, thyroid, adrenals, eyes); Gloria Donnan (Alzheimers).
- Pray for Regional Presbytery and sister churches and their needs.
- Ministry of CRPC churches: Suriname (Rev. Hamid); Des Moines, Iowa (Rev. Waters); Pray for wisdom and direction for Rev. Gibson in Missouri and for Des Moines church seeking pastoral help.
- Fellowship group meeting in Italy—Giorgio Modolo (wisdom/direction); and for Luca & Rachele (God's grace in their lives and His will to be done).
- Pray for King's mission work through Reformation Christian Ministries:
 - **Pray for Liberia** (RCM has 2 students from there: Philip Joshua and Samuel Vonziah). They are under quarantine due to threat of disease and people fighting over water wells; both food and water are problems.

LORD'S SUPPER NEXT SUNDAY

Lord willing we will again have the joy of celebrating the Lord's Supper next Sunday. In the name of our Lord we therefore call upon members to examine themselves and to prepare this week to come to this Supper in full assurance of faith, (1) believing that they are "worthy" to partake because they believe in Jesus Christ and His suffering and death in their place, and (2) purposing to live their daily lives for His glory, by obeying all that He commands.

Visitors, who are members in good standing of a Bible-believing church, are encouraged to join us and to talk to the Session so that we may welcome you.

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 Apostles' Creed

{The articles of our common and undoubted Christian faith}

1. *I believe in God the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.*
2. *And in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord;*
3. *Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary;*
4. *Suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
He descended into hell.*
5. *On the third day He arose from the dead;*
6. *He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty;*
7. *From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.*
8. *I believe in the Holy Spirit;*
9. *I believe a holy catholic Christian Church, the communion of saints;*
10. *The forgiveness of sins;*
11. *The resurrection of the body;*
12. *And the life everlasting. Amen.*

The Heidelberg Catechism

- 46. Q.** What do you confess when you say, He *ascended into heaven*?
- A.** That Christ, before the eyes of His disciples, was taken up from the earth into heaven,[1] and that He is there for our benefit[2] until He comes again to judge the living and the dead.[3]
- 47. Q.** Is Christ, then, not with us until the end of the world, as He has promised us?[1]
- A.** Christ is true man and true God. With respect to His human nature He is no longer on earth,[2] but with respect to His divinity, majesty, grace, and Spirit He is never absent from us.[3]
- 48. Q.** But are the two natures in Christ not separated from each other if His human nature is not present wherever His divinity is?
- A.** Not at all, for His divinity has no limits and is present everywhere.[1] So it must follow that His divinity is indeed beyond the human nature which He has taken on and nevertheless is within this human nature and remains personally united with it.[2]
- 49. Q.** How does Christ's ascension into heaven benefit us?
- A.** First, He is our Advocate in heaven before His Father.[1] Second, we have our flesh in heaven as a sure pledge that He, our Head, will also take us, His members, up to Himself.[2] Third, He sends us His Spirit as a counter-pledge,[3] by whose power we seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God, and not the things that are on earth.[4]

Questions for discussion: [see on the table]

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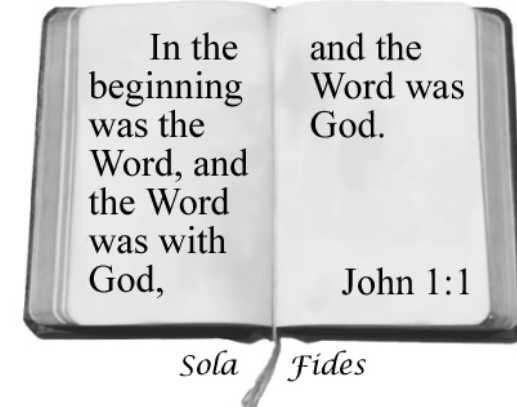
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**Worship Service: Sundays 10:00 A.M.
Lord's Day, October 19, 2014**

Sermon: Apostle's Creed Article 6 [part 13]

Questions for discussion:

1. What is *ascension*?
2. What passage in the Bible can you go to, to assure yourself that the ascension of Jesus was a physical (spatial) thing?

What did God send to earth at Jesus' *ascension*, and why?
3. What proof do true believers have that there is a relationship between heaven and earth?
4. What mysterious truth is there about Christ being in heaven?

What promise is at stake about Him having gone to heaven?
5. How is Jesus with us now, always?

Is this true for everyone (why/why not)?
6. What is the *sure pledge* believers have in Christ's ascension?

What is the *counter pledge* believers have in His ascension?
7. What happened with the disciples after Jesus ascended?
(Is this relevant for the Church today?)