

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Lord's Day, December 6, 2015

Praise waiteth for thee, O God, in Zion: and unto thee shall the vow be performed. O thou that hearest prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come. Iniquities prevail against me: as for our transgressions, thou shalt purge them away. Blessed is the man whom thou chooseth, and causeth to approach unto thee, that he may dwell in thy courts: we shall be satisfied with the goodness of thy house, even of thy holy temple. (Psalm 65:1-4)

[* indicates standing]

Prelude: [Welcome, Announcements]

Preparation for Worship by silent prayer

***The Call to Worship** Psalm 65:1-4

***Confession of our need for God's grace** (Psalm 124:8 in unison):
"Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth"

***God's Greeting to His People**

***Psalm of Response** (see back page of bulletin): Psalm 100C

***Opening Prayer**

God's Law Deuteronomy 9

Prayer of Confession and Praise

(God's assurance of pardon: Psalm 103:11-12)

***Psalm of Praise** Psalter 65A

Confession of Faith Westminster Confession of Faith 3:3, 6-8

Prayer of Requests with Thanksgiving

***Song of Preparation** Psalter 34A

Scripture Reading: Romans 11

Sermon **Romans 11:6**

***Psalm of Response** Psalter 84B

***Benediction (God's parting Word of blessing)** (Ephesians 6:23-24)

* **(Moment of Silent Meditation)**

SERMON: By Pure Grace

1. *By Pure Grace Elected*
2. *By Pure Grace Saved*
3. *By Pure Grace Preserved*

LORD'S SUPPER PREPARATION

Lord willing, next Sunday we will again celebrate the Lord's Supper. Let us all prepare for this by examining our hearts and lives and thus partake in a "worthy manner." To examine ourselves, we need to (1) see our sins for what they really are (a terrible thing and worthy of God's judgment in this life and in eternity), (2) confess that we cannot "be good" and cannot find any salvation apart from Jesus Christ, (3) put all of our hope and trust in Jesus as the ONLY Savior from all of our sins, (4) resolve to live a life which continually fights against our sins and seeks to grow in obedience and thankfulness. 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.

CALENDAR Sundays: 10:00 AM—Worship Service.

- Sundays: after worship—Informal fellowship in food, singing, prayer, discussion and study.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

BE FAITHFUL IN PRAYER: (Let us know your needs 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 and the downfall of ISIS and all persecutors of Christianity. Faithful witness of Christians toward Muslims. Nepal—food, supplies, mail, all down due to Hindu persecution and blocked truck routes.
- Pray for King's: (SermonAudio, website, Good News Bible Study)
- Evangelistic outreach of members and ministries of KRPC in the local area to bring families to join with us in covenant and fellowship.
- Salvation of loved ones and others we know.
- 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).
- Pray for Pastor Poettcker's work in Suriname with Pastor Hamid and safe return December 14.
- Hicks (as members who are away from us).
- HEALTH: Pastor Donnan's sister Jeanne (rehabilitation from stroke). Pastor Donnan (eyes, heart, diabetes). Gloria Donnan (Alzheimer's). Pastor Poettcker's sister-in-law Helen (brain tumor).
- Pray for Regional Presbytery and sister churches and their needs.
- Ministry of CRPC churches: Suriname (Rev. Hamid); Des Moines, Iowa (Rev. Waters; seeking pastoral help); Rev. Gibson (pastoral calling).
- Modolo's in Italy (direction; encouragement).
- Pray for King's mission work through Reformation Christian Ministries:
- Outreach of the Bible courses and educational courses and degrees by RCM to people around the world.
- Doctoral students in seminary completing their theses and going through final defense within the next few months.
- GNBS (progress of programming; Roy Burrell, Fed Calderone).
- Course production for the M.Div. program (Pastors Donnan and Poettcker)
- Presbyterian pastor in Uzbekistan (facing forms of persecution)
- Al Hembd (Greek & Hebrew prof in Israel) trouble in Israel (need safety).
- God's provision for needs for RCM and RCM personnel.

Psalm 100C

*Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands,
Serve the LORD with gladness! Come before His presence with singing.
Know ye that the LORD, He is God; It is He that hath made us and not we ourselves.
We are His people, the sheep of His pasture. Enter into His gates with thanksgiving
And into His courts with praise. Be thankful unto Him and bless His name.
For the LORD is good; His mercy everlasting.
His truth endureth to all generations.*

The church is called to be a confessing church, that she may be,
the pillar and ground of the truth (1Tim. 3:15,16)

Westminster Confession of Faith Chapter 3 Of God's Eternal Decree

3. By the decree of God, for the manifestation of his glory, some men and angels (1) are predestinated unto everlasting life; and others foreordained to everlasting death.(2) 1) 1 Tim. 5:21; Matt. 25:41. (2) Rom. 9:22,23; Eph. 1:5,6; Prov. 16:4.
6. As God hath appointed the elect unto glory, so hath he, by the eternal and most free purpose of his will, foreordained all the means thereunto.(1) Wherefore, they who are elected, being fallen in Adam, are redeemed by Christ, (2)are effectually called unto faith in Christ by his Spirit working in due season, are justified, adopted, sanctified,(3) and kept by his power, through faith, unto salvation.(4) Neither are any other redeemed by Christ, effectually called, justified, adopted, sanctified, and saved, but the elect only.(5) (1) 1 Pet. 1:2; Eph. 1:4,5; Eph. 2:10; 2 Thess. 2:13. (2) 1 Thess. 5:9,10; Tit. 2:14. (3) Rom. 8:30; Eph. 1:5; 2 Thess. 2:13. (4) 1 Pet. 1:5. (5) John 17:9;Rom. 8:28; John 6:64,65; John 10:26; John 8:47; 1 John 2:19.
7. The rest of mankind God was pleased, according to the unsearchable counsel of his own will, whereby he extendeth or withholdeth mercy, as he pleaseth, for the glory of his sovereign power over his creatures, to pass by; and to ordain them to dishonor and wrath for their sin, to the praise of his glorious justice.(1) (1) Matt. 11:25,26; Rom. 9:17,18,21,22; 2 Tim. 2:19,20; Jude 4; 1 Pet. 2:8.
8. The doctrine of this high mystery of predestination is to be handled with special prudence and care,(1) that men, attending the will of God revealed in his Word, and yielding obedience thereunto, may, from the certainty of their effectual vocation, be assured of their eternal election.(2) So shall this doctrine afford matter of praise, reverence, and admiration of God;(3) and of humility, diligence, and abundant consolation to all that sincerely obey the gospel.(4) (1) Rom. 9:20; Rom. 11:33; Deut. 29:29. (2) 2 Pet. 1:10. (3) Eph. 1:6; Rom. 11:33. (4) Rom. 11:5,6,20; 2 Pet. 1:10; Rom. 8:33; Luke 10:20.

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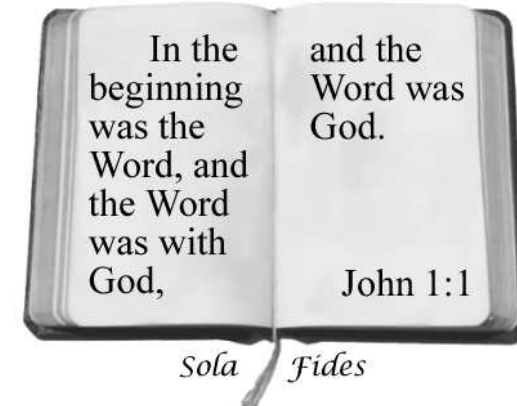
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**Worship Service: Sundays 10:00 A.M.
Lord's Day, December 6, 2015**

Questions

1. What part of our text is omitted by all but those Bible versions based upon the Majority and Received texts, such as the KJV and NKJV?
2. If salvation is all of grace, what must we stop talking about? If salvation is by works, what must we stop talking about? Is there any middle ground between these two?
3. How had Israel been seeking their salvation? Explain your answer.
4. Upon what is God's election based upon for individual people He saves? What do you mean by your answer?
5. What is God's motivation behind election? As a result, what is election NOT motivated by? Consequently, what is election not of?
6. For whose glory alone did God make His Church?
7. If someone teaches that Jesus saves those who accept Him, is that teaching a teaching of salvation by grace or a teaching of salvation by works? Why? If that teaching is salvation by works, how would you need to teach it so that it taught salvation by grace?
8. When Christ died, who was reconciled to whom? Was God reconciled to man or was man reconciled to God? Whichever is right, how was it right?
9. Why do true believers do good works? What verse proves this?
10. What is election by? What is salvation by? What is our preservation by?
11. If by grace, then it is not by what? If by works, then it is not by what?
12. What role does grace play in our daily decisions and choices?