

August 13, 2017

Lord's Day 33, 6 p.m.

■ PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

Pre-Service Prayer (5:30 p.m., Room 202)

■ GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

*God's Greeting - Galatians 1:3-5

*The Call to Worship - Psalm 103:1-5; 20-22

*The Hymn - "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" (TH 53)

*The Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

The Catechizing of the Congregation - The Heidelberg Catechism

Q. 88. What is involved in genuine repentance or conversion?

A. *Two things: the dying-away of the old self, and the rising-to-life of the new.*

Q. 89. What is the dying-away of the old self?

A. *To be genuinely sorry for sin and more and more to hate and run away from it.*

Q. 90. What is the rising-to-life of the new self?

A. *Wholehearted joy in God through Christ and a love and delight to live according to the will of God by doing every kind of good work.*

Q. 91. What are good works?

A. *Only those which are done out of true faith, conform to God's law, and are done for God's glory; and not those based on our own opinion or human tradition.*

Q. 92. What is God's law?

A. *God spoke all these words: "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work— you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore, the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it. Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving to you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor."*

Q. 93. How are these commandments divided?

A. *Into two tables. The first has four commandments, teaching us how we ought to live in relation to God. The second has six commandments, teaching us what we owe our neighbor.*

Q. 94. What does the Lord require in the first commandment?

A. *That I, not wanting to endanger my own salvation, avoid and shun all idolatry, sorcery, superstitious rites, and prayer to saints or to other creatures. That I rightly know the only true God, trust him alone, and look to God for every good thing humbly and patiently, and love, fear, and honor God with all my heart. In short, that I give up anything rather than go against God's will in any way.*

Q. 95. What is idolatry?

A. *Idolatry is having or inventing something in which one trusts in place of or alongside of the only true God, who has revealed himself in the Word.*

■ **MAKING OUR REQUESTS KNOWN**

The Evening Lesson - Psalm 119:33-40

The Hymn - *"Teach Me, O Lord, Your Way of Truth"* (TH 149)

Prayer of the Church - Elder Dean Abbott

■ **GOD CONSECRATES US IN WORSHIP**

Tithes and Offerings

The Hymn - *"Be Still, My Soul"* (TH 689)

*The Reading of Scripture - 1 Peter 4:12-19

The Sermon - *"Do Not Be Surprised at the Fiery Trial"* by Intern Scott McDermand

■ **WE DEPART WITH GOD'S BLESSING**

*The Doxology - *"To Him Who Sits on the Throne"* (BTT 94)

*The Benediction

Postlude