

May 21, 2017

Lord's Day 21, 6 p.m.

■ **PREPARING FOR WORSHIP**

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

■ **GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP**

The Greeting

Minister: Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed!

The Scriptural Call to Worship – Psalm 66:7-18

The Hymn – “*This Earth belongs to God*” (BTT 134)

The Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

The Catechizing of the Congregation – Heidelberg Catechism

Q. 54. What do you believe concerning the holy catholic Christian church?

A. I believe that the Son of God, out of the whole human race, from the beginning of the world to its end, gathers, defends, and preserves for himself, by his Spirit and Word, in the unity of the true faith, a church chosen to everlasting life. And I believe that I am and forever shall remain a living member of it.

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

A. First, that believers, all and everyone, as members of Christ have communion with him and share in all his treasures and gifts. Second, that everyone is duty-bound to use his gifts readily and cheerfully for the benefit and well-being of the other members.

Q. 56. What do you believe concerning the forgiveness of sins?

A. I believe that God, because of Christ's satisfaction, will no more remember my sins, nor my sinful nature, against which I have to struggle all my life, but will graciously grant me the righteousness of Christ, that I may never come into condemnation.

■ **MAKING OUR REQUESTS KNOWN**

The Evening Lesson – Acts 17:22-31

The Hymn – “*There Is a Redeemer*” (BTT 75)

Prayer of the Church – Elder Michael Steege

■ **GOD CONSECRATES US IN WORSHIP**

Tithes and Offerings

The Hymn – “*Now unto the King Eternal*” (BTT 59)

Prayer of Illumination

Reading of Scripture

The Sermon – by Pastor Brian Tallman

■ **WE COMMUNE WITH CHRIST**

Song of Preparation – “*Celebration Unending*” (BTT 105)

■ **WE DEPART WITH GOD'S BLESSING**

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

The Benediction

Postlude