



THE LORD'S DAY
September 25, 2022
WE GATHER TO WORSHIP
10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *Piano/Chancel Organ*
 STRIKING THE HOUR *"Amazing Grace" The Carillon Bells*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP
 † *Please stand as you are able.*

† INTROIT *"Psalm 8: O LORD, Our Lord" Psalter 8^A*
(Verses 1,4)

† HYMN *"Heaven Came Down" Page 510*
(All Verses)

† PRAYER OF THE DAY AND THE LORD'S PRAYER
 † ANTHEM *"Gloria Patri" Page 813*

HYMN *"It Took a Miracle" Page 494*
(All Verses)

**WE PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER AND
 RECITE GOD'S COVENANT PROMISES**

PASTORAL PRAYER

RESPONSORIAL *"Psalm 4 Give Answer When I Call" Psalter 4^A*
(Verses 1,3)

RESPONSIVE READING: Heidelberg Catechism (*See Reverse*)

**WE RETURN OUR TIME, TALENT
 AND TREASURE UNTO THE LORD**

RECEIVING THE TITHES AND OFFERINGS
 † DOXOLOGY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER



**WE LIFT OUR
 VOICES IN PRAISE**

HYMN *"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" Page 688*
(Verses 1,2,4)

SPECIAL MUSIC

**EXPOSITION OF THE WORD
 AND CONFESSION OF FAITH**

THE SERMON
*"First Timothy Chapter Two:
 Misogyny or Messianic Promise"*
 1 Timothy 2:8-15

† THE APOSTLES' CREED

† CLOSING HYMN *"What a Wonderful Savior" Page 345*
(Verses 1,3)

† BENEDICTION

† ANTHEM *"The Family of God" Page 419*

**DEPART IN PEACE TO
 LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD**

MEET AND GREET COFFEE FELLOWSHIP.

*If you are visiting with us today, we're glad you're here.
 We are ordinary people on an extraordinary journey,
 learning to love and serve like Jesus. Come with Us!*



In this constantly changing world our goal is to reflect and recapture the historic and classical worship of Almighty God. Central to our service is the proclamation of the Word and a biblical understanding of the Sacraments in the tradition of the Evangelical and Reformed faith

OUR MISSION

TO PRESENT CHRIST TO EVERYONE,
 EVERYWHERE, AT EVERY OPPORTUNITY.



THE LESSONS FOR USE ON THE
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Amos 6:1-7 • Psalm 146
 1 Timothy 2:8-15 • Luke 16:19-31

WE AFFIRM THE FOLLOWING:

- The Holy Trinity of God - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- God has revealed Himself fully and decisively in Holy Scripture. We believe the Bible, consisting of the Old and New Testaments, to be the inspired, infallible, and authoritative Word of God and our guide for faith and life.
- There is only one way to Salvation - through Jesus Christ.
- The sanctity of human life based on our creation in the image of God and our election by God for service in His Kingdom. This leads us to respectfully affirm the sanctity of life at every stage, from conception to ordinary death.
- The Biblical guidelines for human sexuality: That marriage is the exclusive union of one man and one woman; and fidelity and holiness in marriage and chastity outside of marriage for the sake of the Kingdom.
- God made all people from one man and although people can be distinguished by different ethnicities and nationalities, we are all one human race and absolute equals before God in creation, the need for repentance, and the offer of redemption.
- That the mission of the Church is to spread the Good News of the Gospel in every word and deed. Proclaiming to the world the atoning death and resurrection of Jesus Christ and seeking to bring every person into a life of faith, discipleship, and submission to Him.

CAMPUS ATTENDANCE
 LAST SUNDAY: 88

Are you interested in
 Church Membership?

We receive new members the last Sunday of each month. If you are interested in joining our Church family, please see Pastor Kler today.



GIVING REPORT

Week Ending September 18, 2022
\$3,089

Sunday General Giving	2,516
Online General Giving	400
Total General Gifts	2,916
Less 3% to Building	-87
Less 10% to Missions	-292
Net General	2,537
Designated (Fund) Giving	
Building Maintenance	122
Flowers	25
Gals	75
Joash	24
Missions	306
Total Fund Giving	552
Net General	2,537
Designated Giving	552
Total Receipts	\$3,089

The
HEIDELBERG CATECHISM
LORD'S DAY 6

QUESTION:
Why must our mediator be a true and righteous human?

ANSWER
God's justice demands that human nature, which has sinned, must pay for its sin; but no sinful human could ever pay for another's sin.

QUESTION:
Why must our mediator also be true God?

ANSWER.
So that the mediator, by the power of his divinity, might bear the weight of God's wrath in his humanity and earn for us forgiveness and the restoration of righteousness and life.

QUESTION:
Who then is this mediator – true God and at the same time a true and righteous man?

ANSWER.
It is our Lord Jesus Christ, who was given to deliver us completely from the wrath of God and make us right with Him.

LADIES, *You* ARE THE GLORY OF THE GLORY OF GOD!
~ Rebekah Merkle, "Eve in Exile," Canon Press. Copyright 2016

First Corinthians, chapter eleven says: "Man is the image and glory of God, but woman is the glory of man. ⁸ For man was not made from woman, but woman from man. ⁹ Neither was man created for woman, but woman for man. ¹¹ Nevertheless, in the Lord woman is not independent of man nor man of woman; ¹² for as woman was made from man, so man is now born of woman. And all things are from God. ¹⁶ If anyone is inclined to be contentious about this, we have no other practice, nor do the churches of God."

Does this sound suspiciously like women are getting the short end of the stick here? Is Scripture placing women at the bottom of the totem pole where God's glory is getting progressively weaker the further down it gets? Is it saying - if men are like a shadow of God, then women must be a shadow of a shadow, the smallest ripple at the farthest edge? Definitely not! To read the text this way is to read it directly backwards. We tend to read this Corinthians passage as if the glory is getting more and more diluted the further it gets away from the center. But stop and think in more biblical categories for a second and realize that the Bible's way of expressing a superlative is to use the double form as in - the *Holy of Holies*. When you read of the Holy of Holies in Scripture, are you on the furthest fringe of the holiness, or are you closer to the center? Obviously, the holiness isn't getting weaker as you go into the Holy of Holies, it's getting stronger, more distilled. Man was created as the image and glory of God, but then along came the woman – second – in an even more concentrated form. *The glory of the glory of God*. If men are the beer, women are the whiskey. The most potent, strong, and intoxicating version of the glory of God, not the weakest and most watered down. And ironically, this is exemplified by her being created second, as an equal but a helper, as an equal who willingly submits to her head. In fact, that submission itself is what is so glorious, and that is because the willing submission of one equal to another – a submission offered out of love and not out of servitude – is a submission that pictures Christ. Christ, who, as Philippians 2:6 tells us, "being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: But made himself of no reputation" Jesus did not consider it robbery to humble Himself and submit to an equal, and neither should we, because when we as women live out that submission we are picturing the most potent form of glory that there is."



The Chancel Flowers Placed by:
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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

-----OCTOBER-----
GAL's Meeting..... Monday, October 3rd at 12:30
Guy's Lunch..... Thursday, October 6th at 11:00 a.m.
Next Council Meeting..... Tuesday, October 11th at 6:00 p.m.
Reformation Day/Homecoming..... Sunday, October 30th at 10:00 a.m.

-----NOVEMBER-----
GAL's Meeting..... Monday, November 7th at 12:30
Guy's Lunch..... Thursday, November 10th at 11:00 a.m.
Turn Your Clock Back..... Saturday November 5th Before You Go to Bed
.....DAY LIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS Sunday, November 6th.....
Election Day..... Tuesday, November 8th from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Council Meeting..... Tuesday, November 8th at 6:00 p.m.

-----DECEMBER-----
GAL's Meeting..... Monday, December 5th at 12:30

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Rev. John O. Strauss
Minister of Music / Choir Director

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Flutist: Donna Zenisek-Huber,

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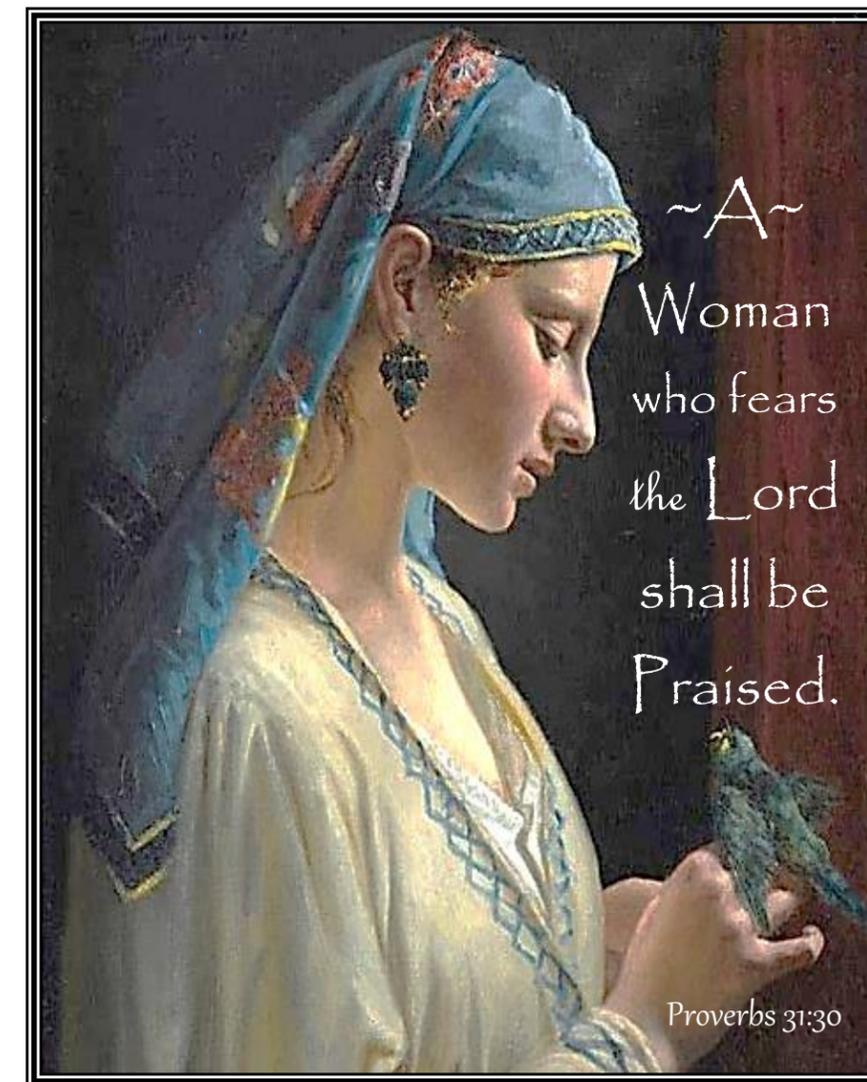
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OUR VOLUNTEER STAFFED
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Let us not give up the habit of meeting together, as some are doing, but encourage one another as the *Day of the Lord* draws near. -Hebrews 10:25



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