

## Church Calendar

Today, 10:00am      Adult Sunday School  
Today, 6:00pm      Evening Worship, Psalm 68  
Jan 15 – Feb 15      Officer Nominations  
February 10, 7pm      Women's Bible Study

## The Lord's Day February 5, 2012 Morning Worship, 8:30 a.m.



### This Week's Catechism Questions

Q84: What doth every sin deserve?

A84: Every sin deserveth God's wrath and curse, both in this life, and that which is to come.

Q85: What doth God require of us, that we may escape his wrath and curse due to us for sin?

A85: To escape the wrath and curse of God due to us for sin, God requireth of us faith in Jesus Christ, repentance unto life, with the diligent use of all the outward means whereby Christ communicateth to us the benefits of redemption.

Q86: What is faith in Jesus Christ?

A86: Faith in Jesus Christ is a saving grace, whereby we receive and rest upon him alone for salvation, as he is offered to us in the gospel.

### Prelude

Rondeau No. 1

Heinrich Marschner (1795—1861)

### Welcome and Announcements

#### \*Silent Prayer

*Father, we give you glory and praise for sending to us your Son; we say with the crowds of Capernaum, "We have never seen anything like this!" (Mark 2.12). Son of God, we worship you. Your authoritative teaching is astonishing (Mark 1.22). Your powerful presence is marvelous, overcoming us with amazement (Mark 5.20, 42). Your power over nature is utterly astounding (Mark 6.51). Your power to heal is astonishing beyond measure (Mark 7.37). Holy Spirit, let our hearts be gripped afresh by the majesty and love of the Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

#### Call to Worship

Psalm 36:7-9

How precious is your steadfast love, O God! The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings. They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights. For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light.

#### \*Hymn of Praise

"We Come, O Christ, to You"

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\*Congregation standing

\*Congregation invited to kneel

### **†Confession of Sin**

*O Lord, all that we are is known to You. What could be hidden within us, even if we were unwilling to confess it to You? We would be hiding You from ourselves, not ourselves from You. And so we make confession to You of our many sins of thought, word, and deed. We love You and so we are ashamed of ourselves and cast ourselves aside, asking that you will forgive us and help us to seek no pleasure for ourselves except that which is also pleasure for you. In Jesus name, Amen.*

—Adapted from *Augustine's Confessions*

### **Assurance of Pardon**

Mark 10:45, 1 Peter 2:24-25

For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many. He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

### **\*Hymn of Faith in Christ**

"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

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### **Confession of Faith**

Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

A. That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

—*Heidelberg Catechism*, No. 1

### **Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer**

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.*

### **Tithes and Offerings**

Rondeau No. 2

Heinrich Marschner

### **\*Hymn of Thanksgiving**

Father of heav'n whose love profound,  
A ransom for our souls hath found,  
Before thy throne we sinners bend:  
To us thy pard'ning love extend.

Almighty Son, Incarnate Word,  
Our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, Lord,  
Before thy throne we sinners bend:  
To us thy saving grace extend.

Eternal Spirit, by whose breath,  
The soul is raised from sin and death,  
Before thy throne we sinners bend:  
To us thy quick'ning pow'r extend.

Jehovah! Father, Spirit, Son,  
Mysterious Godhead, Three in One,  
Before thy throne we sinners bend:  
Grace, pardon, life, to us extend. Amen.

### **Scripture Reading**

Philippians 3:1-11

### **Sermon**

"Super Boast"

### **Deacons Fund Offering**

"My Hope Rests Firm"

### **Celebration of the Lord's Supper**

We invite you to participate in the Lord's Supper if you are a baptized Christian, a follower of Jesus Christ, and a member or regular attender of this or some other congregation. If this does not describe you, we are glad you are here and encourage you to reflect on this prayer during the time of the Lord's Supper.

### **Prayer for Those Searching**

*Lord Jesus, you say that you and you alone are the way, the truth, and the life. You welcome all who are weary and burdened to come to you and promise to give them rest. You also say that those who come to you must be prepared to follow you, even at great cost. Help me, Lord Jesus, to believe what you say and to resolve to follow you whatever the cost. There are reasons enough for me to come to you. I admit that I am a sinner, more sinful than I ever dared to admit. But in you I find a greater love than I ever dared hope for. Thank you for your suffering and death in the place of sinners to pay their debt. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and confess you, Jesus Christ, as my Savior and my Lord.*

### **Supper Hymn**

*"In Christ Alone"*

In Christ alone my hope is found;  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My comforter, my all in all—  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, Who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones He came to save.  
Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied;  
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid—  
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain;  
Then bursting forth in glorious day,  
Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory,  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am His and He is mine—  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death—  
This is the pow'r of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Till He returns or calls me home—  
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

—Keith Getty and Stuart Townend, CCLI License #3184972

### **Scripture Reading**

Romans 10.1-17

### **\*Closing Hymn**

*"Crown Him with Many Crowns"*

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### **Benediction**

### **Silent Prayer**

### **Postlude**

Rondeau No. 3

Heinrich Marschner

