

**OLD UNION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

October 23, 2022

PRELUDE (Time for preparation)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 68:19-20

\*HYMN "How Firm a Foundation" #275

\*CONFESSION OF SIN: "It is never easy to confess our sins, O God. There are the hurts we have caused to our families and friends, which we would like to forget. There are those we believe are impossible to love, and so we don't try. There are people who live on the edge of our society, and we ignore their cries for help. Forgive us and heal us, we pray. Amen."

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON Romans 8:33-39

\*GLORIA PATRI (Song of Praise) #623

SPECIAL MUSIC

NEW TESTAMENT (Unison): Ephesians 5:1-13

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Genesis 38:13-18, 24-26

CHILDREN'S TIME

\*HYMN "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" #286

SERMON "Dirty Deeds"

\*HYMN "Sweet Hour of Prayer" #433

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

TIME FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (back cover of hymnal)

OFFERING

\*DOXOLOGY (Song of Dedication) #626

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Shorter Catechism (insert)

\*BENEDICTION (Closing Blessing) 1 Peter 5:10-11  
(Response: "...And build each other up.")

\*CLOSING SONG "Jesus Loves Me" #579  
(\* If you are able, please stand.)

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Linda M. will lead this morning's Scripture readings.

Today's Affirmation of Faith comes from the Larger Catechism. Like the Shorter Catechism from last week, it is a companion to the Westminster Confession of Faith. This series of 196 questions was designed for the use and instruction of ministers.

Please help us with our school food packing after worship. Sign up in the lobby if you'd like to help set up, clean up, adding fresh fruit later in the week, or delivery on Friday.

The session will meet tomorrow evening.

The Helping Hands will meet after worship next week.

The Evans City Food Cupboard needs laundry supplies for the month of October.

### Special Prayers of Concern:

Bonnie S.  
Louise S.  
Roger W.  
Betty L.  
Joan T.  
Howard B.  
Dolly K.  
Rose F.  
Josh H.

### Mission Co-Workers:

Kurt Esslinger and Hyeyoung Lee, South Korea

### Military:

Jeremy H.  
Matthew David M..  
Justin T.  
Scott F.  
Frank D.  
Michael S.  
Glen P.  
Will B.  
Jacob H.  
Christian C.  
Ryan W.  
Hunter M.  
Christopher H.  
Arthur B.  
Kevin E.  
Danner C.  
Daniel B.  
Spencer K.  
Alex T.

## THE LARGER CATECHISM

(Excerpts)

### *3. What is the Word of God?*

The holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, the only rule of faith and obedience.

### *5. What do the Scriptures principally teach?*

A. The Scriptures principally teach what man is to believe concerning God, and what duty God requires of man.

### *155. How is the Word made effectual to salvation?*

The Spirit of God makes the reading, but especially the preaching of the Word, an effectual means of enlightening, convincing, and humbling sinners, of driving them out of themselves, and drawing them unto Christ, of conforming them to his image, and subduing them to his will; of strengthening them against temptations and corruptions; of building them up in grace, and establishing their hearts in holiness and comfort through faith unto salvation.

### *157. How is the Word of God to be read?*

The Holy Scriptures are to be read with a high and reverent esteem of them; with a firm persuasion that they are the very Word of God, and that he only can enable us to understand them; with desire to know, believe, and obey, the will of God revealed in them; with diligence, and attention to the matter and scope of them; with meditation, application, self-denial, and prayer.

### *160. What is required of those that hear the Word preached?*

It is required of those that hear the Word preached, that they attend upon it with diligence, preparation, and prayer; examine what they hear by the Scriptures; receive the truth with faith, love, meekness, and readiness of mind, as the Word of God; meditate, and confer of it; hide it in their hearts, and bring forth the fruit of it in their lives.