

Announcements and Information:

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Pray with fervency and perseverance for the following:

- Whitefield Seminary, and other seminaries, and those studying for Church Office: That seminaries would train according to the pure doctrines of Scripture. **Pray** for the presbyteries that have men under care, that they might know their fitness not only doctrinally, but as men of honor and integrity. **Pray** that the Lord would raise up and send laborers into His field in this generation and the next.

Rev. Grant Van Leuven (CA); Rev. Jeff Black (VA); Rev. V. Hamilton (TN);

Rev. Paul McDade (TN); Lic.'s Alex Mauger, Tim Montague, Nick Detroye (WI);

Elder Jason Bradfield (FL); Rev. Adam Brink (VA); Rev. Reed Best and Lic.

Thomas Williams (FL).

- Pray for these churches and pastors for pure preaching, for conscionable hearing of the Word, growth in grace, doctrine, and holiness, that the Gospel would go forth in power, and for a gospel-proclaiming, holy witness locally for each.

Pray as we consider WLC 1 that we would always remember our chief end, that we would seek to glorify God fully in all things, with humility toward Him, decrease to ourselves, in Godly testimony, and with a nearness to Him remembering His grace, drawing near and relishing His mercies, enjoying Him in His goodness toward all humanity, but especially His saving mercies to His people in Christ.

Pray for one another! **Pray** for your Pastor and your Elders!

Pray as we consider the sermons from last Lord's Day that we would remember that we are not alone in our temptations and afflictions—that we have each other for mutual comfort, counsel, understanding, and care. Pray that we would remember the examples of Scripture, that our temptations are “common,” and that we have a Great High Priest who is touched with the feeling of our infirmities that we would draw near to Him in trial. Pray also concerning humility before the Lord, that we would know when to “hush,” that we would always walk in the ways of God's people, and not imitate or love the world.

Diaconal/Mercy/Service/ Outreach and Prayer Opportunities:

- Rev. Victor Atallah and the ministry of MERF: Prayer, Monetary gifts.
- Rev. Rockie Simbajon: Prayer, Monetary Gifts for work in the Philippines, and for Heidelberg Seminary's work there training men for the ministry.
- The Libera Project and Rev. Dr. Timothy Worrell, & his new work @ A.B.C.

CHRIST COVENANT REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

But ye are come unto mount Sion... And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant (Hebrews 12.22, 24)



**SCRIPTURE ALONE—GRACE ALONE—FAITH ALONE—BY CHRIST
ALONE—TO GOD ALONE BE GLORY.
REFORMED, AND ALWAYS REFORMING**

01 November 2026

Lord's Day Morning Worship: 10:00 A

Afternoon Fellowship Meal (all are welcome) 12.30 P

Lord's Day Afternoon Worship: 2:00 P

Catechism and Memory Class shortly following afternoon worship. (4:30P)

Open Ended fellowship and Lord's Day conversation after church. Fellowship meal after Church services the 1st Lord's Day of each month at the Church building.

Psalm Singing at the Church, 3rd Lord's Day of each month after services.

Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:00P

Thursday evening Advanced Theological Studies: 6:00P

(currently via online meeting, ask Pastor Ruddell for details)

Monthly Men's Prayer Breakfast (last Sat. of each month) 7:30A

All of these opportunities are open to all to attend. Please feel free to join us.

We are pleased to have you gather with us as we worship the Triune God. If you are visiting with us, please allow us to extend our warmest welcome. If you are a member in good standing of a Confessional, Reformed Church, and desire to commune with us at the Lord's Table, please contact the Pastor prior to the morning worship service.

Our Name:

Christ: Our only Surety and Mediator, Sacrifice and Substitute, Righteousness and Sanctification; the Wisdom of God, the Logos of God, triumphing as the Second Adam where the first Adam fell, God, the Second Person of the Holy Trinity

Covenant: The means whereby the Triune God has brought His people into everlasting and gracious communion with Himself, unilaterally, uniting them to Christ, the only Mediator of the Covenant of Grace, bequeathing an eternal inheritance in Him

Reformed: Teaching the Biblical Doctrines of God's Sovereignty, of Divine Monergism in our redemption, of His initiating and sovereign Grace and Salvation as the only hope of man to escape eternal judgment; the sufficiency of the Scriptures, and the “righteousness of God which is by the faith of Jesus Christ” alone, preached and restored to the Church at large during the Protestant Reformation

Presbyterian: Confessing and practicing the Biblical doctrines of Church government, of a broader authority than that of the local congregation, held in a plurality of elders, and those as distinctively taught in the Westminster Standards, 1647.

Church: The Visible people of God, Called out of the world as His people, under Christ's government, discipline, and instruction; administered by Elders, called as saints to serve Him together with their children regardless of age; and testifying to His invisible Church, the whole number of the elect that have been, are, or shall be gathered into one under Christ the Head.

Sermon Notes _____

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The General Assembly having exactly examined and seriously considered the Larger Catechism, agreed upon by the Assembly of Divines sitting at Westminster, with assistance of Commissioners from this Kirk, [Church of Scotland—PT] copies thereof being printed, and sent to Presbyteries, for the more exact trial thereof; and public intimation being frequently made in this Assembly, that every one that had any doubts or objections upon it might put them in; do find, upon due examination thereof, That the said Catechism is agreeable to the word of God, and in nothing contrary to the received doctrine, worship, discipline, and government of this Kirk; a necessary part of the intended uniformity in religion, and a rich treasure for increasing knowledge among the people of God: and therefore the Assembly, as they bless the Lord that so excellent a Catechism is prepared, so they approve the same, as a part of uniformity; agreeing, for their part, that it be a common Catechism for the three kingdoms, and a Directory for catechising such as have made some proficiency in the knowledge of the grounds of religion.

WLC 1: *What is the chief and highest end of man?*
enjoy him for ever.^b

Ans. Man's chief and highest end is to glorify God,^a and fully to
^a Rom. 11:36. ^b Psal. 73:24-28; John 17:21-23

Thomas Ridgley: I. We are to consider what it is to glorify God. In order to our understanding this, let it be premised, 1. That there is a great difference between God's glorifying himself and our glorifying him. He glorifies himself, when he demonstrates or shows forth his glory; we glorify him by ascribing to him the glory that is his due,—even as the sun discovers its brightness by its rays, and the eye beholds it. God glorifies himself by furnishing us with matter for praise; we glorify him when we offer praise, or give unto him the glory due to his name. 2. Creatures are said to glorify God in various ways. Some things do it only objectively; as by them, angels and men are led to glorify him. Thus, 'the heavens declare his glory.'^a The same might be said of all other inanimate creatures which glorify God, by answering the end of their creation, though they know it not. Intelligent creatures, on the other hand, and particularly men, are said to glorify God actively. This they do by admiring and adoring his divine perfections. These, as incomprehensible, are the object of admiration; and as divine, are the object of adoration. The apostle, accordingly, admires the divine wisdom: 'O the depth of the riches, both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out!'^b God is to be admired in all the displays of his relative or manifestative glory; and 'his work, which men behold,' is to be 'magnified.'^c He is to be adored more especially for his essential perfections.

We are to glorify God, by recommending, proclaiming, and setting forth his excellency to others. What we have the highest value for, we desire to see regarded by others in the same way as by ourselves. Thus, as is narrated by the evangelist, when the disciples received their first conviction that Jesus was the Messiah, they communicated it to others,—as Andrew to Peter, and Philip to Nathanael;^d and when the woman of Samaria received the same conviction, she endeavoured to persuade all her neighbours to believe in Christ, as she did.^e Thus we glorify God by making mention of his name with reverence, proclaiming his goodness with thankfulness, and inviting others, as the Psalmist does, to 'taste and see that he is good.'^f

But since this is a very comprehensive duty, including in it the whole of practical religion, it may be considered under the following particulars.

1. We glorify God by confessing all the sins we have committed, and taking shame to ourselves on account of them. This is interpretatively to acknowledge the holiness of his nature, and of his law, which the apostle asserts to be 'holy, just, and good.'^g Thus Joshua advises Achan 'to give glory to God, by making confession to him';^h and thus the penitent thief, who was crucified with our Saviour, glorified God, by confessing that he received the 'due reward of his deeds.'ⁱ So did the Levites, in their prayer recorded by Nehemiah, when they said to God, 'Thou art just in all that is brought upon us, for thou hast done right, but we have done wickedly.'^k

2. By loving and delighting in him above all things. This is to act as those who own the transcendent amiableness of his perfection, as the object of their highest esteem. Thus the Psalmist says, 'Whom have I in heaven but thee? and there is none,' or nothing, 'upon earth, that I desire besides thee!'^l

3. By believing and trusting in him,—committing all our concerns, both in life and in death, for time and for eternity, into his hands. Thus Abraham is said to have been 'strong in faith, giving glory to God';^m and the apostle Paul, to have 'committed his all to him.'ⁿ

4. By a fervent zeal for his honour;—and that either for the honour of his truth and gospel, when denied, disbelieved, or perverted; or for the honour of his holiness, or of any of his other perfections, when reflected on or reproached, by the tongues or the actions of those who set themselves against him.

5. By improving our talents, and bringing forth fruit in proportion to the means we enjoy. 'Herein,' says our Saviour, 'is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit.'^o

6. By walking humbly, thankfully, and cheerfully before God. Humility acknowledges that infinite distance which is between him and us; retains a due sense of our own unworthiness of all we have or hope for; and owns every thing we receive to be the gift of grace: 'By the grace of God,' says the apostle, 'I am what I am.'^p Thankfulness gives him the glory, as the author of every mercy; and accordingly sets a due value on it, in that respect. And to walk cheerfully before him is to show that we do not repent having engaged in his service, and to recommend it as most agreeable: this is what the Psalmist intends, when he says, 'Serve the Lord with gladness.'^q

^a Psal. 19:1.

^b Rom. 11:33.

^c Job 36:24.

^d John 1:41, 45.

^e John 4:28, 29.

^f Psal. 34:8.

^g Rom. 7:12.

^h Josh. 7:19.

ⁱ Luke 23:40, 41.

^k Neh. 9:33.

^l Ps. 73:25.

^m Rom. 4:20.

ⁿ 2 Tim. 1:12.

^o John 15:8.

^p 1 Cor. 15:10.

^q Ps. 100:2.

7. By heavenly-mindedness, or cherishing a desire to be with him, to behold his glory. In the ways which have been specified, we glorify God by yielding obedience to his commanding will; and we must, in all of them, do this in the name of Christ, our great Mediator, and by strength derived from him. But we must further glorify God,

8. By yielding an entire submission to his disposing will. In particular, we must, when under afflictive dispensations of providence, own that he has a sovereign right to 'do what he will with us, as his own,'^r and that these afflictions are infinitely 'less than our iniquities deserve.'^s And we must adore his wisdom and goodness in trying our graces by them, and dealing with us in such a way as is 'needful,' and that only 'for a season.'^t And we are to own his goodness in suiting our strength to our burdens, and overruling all events for our spiritual advantage. Submission consists also in an easy, patient, and contented frame of spirit, without the least murmuring or repining, concluding that whatever he does is 'well done,'^u and, which is something more, in rejoicing that we are counted worthy to suffer the loss of all things, yea, even of life itself, if called to do so, for his sake;—of which we have various instances in scripture.^x

Moreover, we ought to glorify God in the natural, civil, and religious actions of life, all of which are to be consecrated or devoted to him. We enjoy the blessings of life to no purpose, if we do not live to the Lord, and thankfully acknowledge that we receive them all from his hand. And whatever the calling be wherewith we are called, we must therein abide with him, and see that we have his warrant to engage in it; and we must expect success from his blessing upon it, else our exertions in it will be to no purpose. Thus says Moses, 'It is the Lord thy God that giveth thee power to get wealth.'^y And, in all our dealings with men, we are to consider ourselves as under the inspection of the all-seeing eye of God, to whom we are accountable for all we do; and should be induced hereby, to exercise ourselves always to keep 'consciences void of offence towards God and man.'¹

Prayer Requests 10/26/2026

If you have a matter for prayer during the second service, please make that request known to the Pastor. Remember to pray for our resting confidently in Christ in all these requests.

- Pray for Ireland and Marissa Dillard, Beth Ten Dolle, Kelly Rice, and Francis Martinez, expecting.
- Pray for the Seminary Students and auditors, for good time to devote to study, for diligence in the work. Final November 5th.
- Pray for Kristine Schempp, regular bouts with migraines, and for Greg, working at his new job. Pray for the Schempp and King families in their loss, and pray for Steven King's recovery.
- Pray for Reformation Presbyterian Church: Pulpit supply, Pastoral search. Rev. Khanda is officially a candidate.
- Pray for George Martin, Clint's father, for his chronic pain, for the sale of the Elder Mr. Martin's home, and for the Martin family's care of him.
- Pray for Joanna Ruddell recovering from her fall.
- Pray for Karen Arco, battling cancer and MS.
- Pray for Dr. T. J. Gentry, awaiting aneurism repair.
- Pray for Chris Coldwell, prostate cancer treatment
- Pray for Dr. Bill Higgins, prostate cancer treatment.
- Pray for the Barrett family, upon Marilee's cancer diagnosis, for comfort, treatment, and calling upon the Lord.
- Pray for Kristi Wehlau, her digestive health.
- Pray for Missy's Aunt Sue, diagnosed with Brain Lymphoma, under treatment—pray that she might turn to the Lord.
- Pray for Jeremy Seekamp, being treated for Graves' Disease.
- Pray for our children, and parents, for their Christian education, for diligence, excellence, and joy, and for families with little ones, for wisdom, strength, and consistency in their nurture and admonition in the Lord.
- Pray for our nation:
 - Purity in worship, spread of the pure Gospel, whole-Bible preaching, godly testimony from Christians, that Christ might send reformation.
 - The conversion of our civil leaders to Christ
 - Repentance, humility in our leaders and citizens
 - The repeal of sinful laws, passage of godly laws.
 - Grace and humility in communication, not rancor
 - Justice and service, not violence in our streets
 - Domestic and foreign policy in the fear of God
 - That in wrath, the Lord would remember mercy.
- Pray for local law enforcement in keeping the peace, that they might serve the Lord as His ministers for good.
- Pray for rain, and let us give thanks for the rain that fell.
- Pray concerning potential outreach at Wylie Oaks Center.

^r Matt. 20:15.

^s Ezra 9:13.

^t 1 Pet. 1:6.

^u Ps. 119:65.

^x Acts 5:41; Heb. 10:34; Acts 20:24.

^y Deut. 8:18.

¹ Thomas Ridgley, *A Body of Divinity*, vol. 1 (New York: Robert Carter & Brothers, 1855), 4–7.