

Sunday Morning 12-16-18 (Lord's Supper)

Pre-service Psalter 439:1, 3 (standing)
Silent Congregational Prayer
Votum and Salutation
Psalter 232:1, 2
Reading of the Law: Exodus 20:1-20
Response to the Law: Psalter 342:2, 4
Scripture Reading: Isaiah 40
Congregational Prayer
Psalter 397:1-5 (offering)
Text: Isaiah 40:1-2

Theme: Glad Tidings for a Needy People

- 1. The substance of these glad tidings***
- 2. The basis for these glad tidings***
- 3. The purpose of these glad tidings***

Psalter 363:3-5

Reading of the Form for
The Lord's Supper – Part II (p. 137)
Psalter 235: All

Administration of the Lord's Supper
Psalter 402:1, 2, 6

Prayer
Psalter 423:6, 7 (offering)
Doxology: Psalter 315
Benediction

Family Sermon Discussion Questions:

1. Why is chapter 40 a pivotal chapter in the prophecy of Isaiah?
- 2*. How does the structure of the book of Isaiah resemble the structure of the Bible?
- 3*. How can we tell that the Lord really wants His people to be comforted?
4. How does the word “accomplished” remind us what happened on the cross?
5. How can God bestow a double pardon for the sins of His people?
6. How does our text communicate that God wants His people to be fully assured of the pardon of their sins?
7. To speak comfortably to Jerusalem = to speak to the heart of Jerusalem. What does it mean to speak “to the heart of Jerusalem”?
8. What is the implied warning for the unbeliever in this text

Sunday Evening 12-16-18 (Reflection Service)

Pre-service Psalter 444:1, 2 (standing)

Silent Congregational Prayer

Votum and Salutation

Psalter 94:1, 3, 4

Scripture Reading: Colossians 3

Westminster Larger Catechism, que. 190-191

Congregational Prayer

Psalter 259:1, 2, 4, 6 (offering)

Text: Colossians 3:1-3

Paul's Exhortation to Seek Heavenly Things

1. The focus of this seeking

2. The method of this seeking

3. The motive for this seeking

Prayer

Psalter 417:1-3 (offering)

Doxology: Psalter 316

Benediction

Family Sermon Discussion Questions:

1. What does it mean to “be risen with Christ”?
2. How should being risen with Christ manifest itself in the life of the believer?
- 3*. What is meant by the expression that Christ is sitting *on the right hand* of God?
4. Why is it so comforting to the believer that Christ is sitting at the right hand of God?
5. What does Paul mean when he writes that believers should set their affection on things above?
- 6*. What does Paul mean by “things on the earth”?
7. What does Paul mean when he says that believers are “dead”?
8. How is the life of the believer “hid with Christ in God”?

* Questions for younger children