

Sunday Morning 05-12-19

Pre-service Psalter 71:1, 3\*\*

Silent Congregational Prayer

Votum and Salutation

Psalter 255:1, 3\*\*

Reading of the Law: Deuteronomy 5:1-24

Response to the Law: Psalter 334:1, 4

Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 1:1-21

Congregational Prayer

Giving of our offerings to the Lord's service

Psalter 304:1-4, 6\*\*

Text: 1 Peter 1:3-4

**Theme: The Living Hope of the Christian**

**1. The origin of this hope**

**2. The foundation of this hope**

**3. The focus of this hope**

Prayer

Giving of our offerings to the Lord's service

Psalter 362:2, 3\*\*

Doxology: Psalter 315\*\*

Benediction

\*\* Please stand if enabled

**Family Sermon Discussion Questions:**

1. Why does Peter begin his epistle by directing afflicted believers to focus on “the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ”?
  
- 2\*. Peter gives us the full Name of the Savior: Lord Jesus Christ. What do each of these names tell us about the Savior?
  
3. What wonderful truths is Peter expressing when he writes about believers that the Father *hath begotten us again*?
  
4. Why does Peter emphasize to believers that the Father has begotten them *according to His abundant mercy*?
  
5. Why is the resurrection of Christ the foundation of the Christian's living hope?
  
6. Is the hope of the Christian a “maybe” or a certainty? Explain this in light of our text.
  
7. How does Peter emphasize that each believer may personally claim the inheritance Christ has secured by His resurrection?
  
- 8\*. How does Peter encourage believers in verse 5 that they cannot lose their inheritance?

*Sunday Evening 05-12-19*

Pre-service Psalter 72:1, 4\*\*  
Silent Congregational Prayer  
Votum and Salutation  
Psalter 1: All\*\*  
Scripture Reading: Galatians 1  
*Belgic Confession of Faith*, art. 18  
Congregational Prayer  
Giving of our offerings to the Lord's service  
Psalter 381: All\*\*  
Text: Belgic Confession, Art. 7 (Gal 1:7-12)  
**Theme: The Holy Scriptures: The Only Rule of Faith**  
**1. Their perfect sufficiency**  
**2. Their divine authority**  
**3. Their exclusive value**  
Prayer  
Giving of our offerings to the Lord's service  
Psalter 312: All\*\*  
Doxology: Psalter 316\*\*  
Benediction  
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1. What prompted the church of the Reformation to make such a sharp distinction between Scripture and the writings of men?
  
- 2\*. What was God's main goal in giving us the Scriptures?
  
3. What is meant by the statement that the Scriptures are the *predestined* Word of God?
  
4. How should the fact that Christ is the Living Word motivate us to treat the written Word of God with the utmost respect?
  
5. Explain what is meant by the expression "the regulative principle of worship"?
  
6. Why must the church defend the absolute authority of the Scriptures—especially today?
  
7. Why can the Scriptures and the writings of men not be of equal value?
  
- 8\*. Why are we forbidden to either add to the Word of God or take away from the Word of God/

\* Questions for younger children