

Sunday morning, 7-14-19 Installation of Office-bearers

Pre-service Psalter 112:1, 3**

Silent Congregational Prayer

Votum and Salutation

Psalter 319:1, 2, 5**

Reading of the Law: Exodus 20:1-20

Response to the Law: Psalter 428:10**

Scripture Reading: Revelation 1:1-18

Congregational Prayer

Giving of our offerings to the Lord's service

Psalter 374:1, 2, 5**

Text: Revelation 1:17-18

Christ's Three-Fold Comfort for His Fearful People

1. He is the First and the Last

2. He is alive for evermore

3. He has the keys of hell and death

Psalter 200:2, 3**

Form for the Installation of Office-bearers (p. 145)

Psalter 372:1-2**

Conclusion of the Form

Prayer

Giving of our offerings to the Lord's service

Psalter 52:1-4**

Doxology: Psalter 315**

Benediction

** Please stand if able

Family Sermon Discussion Questions:

1*. Why is the final book of the Bible called "Revelation"?

2. How can we be encouraged by the fact that the risen Christ appeared to John on the Island of Patmos?

3. Why were the first words out of Christ's mouth to John, "Fear not!"?

4. Why is it so encouraging for us that Christ reveals Himself to John as "the first and the last"?

5. What does it mean for God's Church that we may serve a Savior who is "alive for evermore"?

6*. Of what bitter reality do the words "hell" and "death" remind us?

7. What does it mean that the exalted Christ has "the keys of hell and of death"?

8. What encouragement can we extract from Christ's insertion of the word "Amen"?

Sunday Evening 07-14-19

Pre-service Psalter 115:1, 3**

Silent Congregational Prayer

Votum and Salutation

Psalter 370:1, 2**

Scripture Reading: Acts 9:19-25; Gal. 1:1-17

Belgic Confession of Faith, art. 25 (p. 17)

Congregational Prayer

Giving of our offerings to the Lord's service

Psalter 174:1-3**

Text: Acts 9:19b-25

Theme: Saul, the Servant of Jesus Christ

1. Saul joins the disciples of Jesus Christ

2. Saul preaches Jesus Christ

3. Saul persecuted for the sake of Jesus Christ

Prayer

Giving of our offerings to the Lord's service

Psalter 353: All**

Doxology: Psalter 316**

Benediction

** Please stand if able

Family Sermon Discussion Questions:

1*. What is so special about Saul spending time with the disciples in Damascus?

2. Why would Saul's conversion have been so reassuring to the congregation of Damascus?

3*. Why did Saul immediately begin to preach Christ (see. v.15)?

4. What does Saul have in common with every truly called minister of the gospel?

5. How did Saul preach Christ *in the synagogues*, and what qualified him to do so?

6. Why were the Jews determined to kill Saul?

7. To what is the phrase "many days were fulfilled" a probable reference?

8. Why was Saul being let down in a basket an important providential event in his life?

* Questions for younger children