

Morning Worship – October 3, 2021

Pastoral Greeting

Call to Worship: Psalm 95:1-3 (NKJV pg. 417)

Invocation

* Psalm: 32C

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 44:1-23 (NKJV pg. 509)

New Testament Reading: Romans 4:1-8 (NKJV pg. 787)

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon Text: Psalm 32 (NKJV pg. 386)

Sermon Title: *The Blessedness of Forgiven Sin*

Pastoral Prayer

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

* Psalm 32B

Presenting our Tithes and Offerings

* Doxology - Psalm 89H

* Benediction

* = **PLEASE STAND IF ABLE**

*Page numbers for Scripture readings are: New King James (NKJV)
or English Standard Version (ESV) pew Bibles*

Today's Schedule

Morning Worship	10:00 am
Sunday School/Sermon Discussion	11:30 am
Informal Fellowship Lunch	12:00 noon
<i>Marrow of Modern Divinity</i> Study	1:00 pm

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Announcements

Welcome to all as we gather in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to worship the living and true God!

➤ Our precentor this week is Greg Moberg, and the presiding elder is Bill Pihl – next week's precentor will be Elena Robson, and the presiding elder will be Greg Moberg.

➤ Today we celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper as part of our worship service. If you are visiting today and have not met with the elders to give your profession of faith, please review the information on the back of your bulletin.

➤ We will continue to provide the Zoom link each week for those unable to worship in-person.

➤ **An informal Fellowship Lunch** will follow the Sermon Discussion today. Everyone is welcome to join us for good food and fellowship, followed by our study of the ***Marrow of Modern Divinity***. We will strive to have the study from 1:00 to 1:45pm. That means we'll need to trim down the fellowship time between the service and Sunday School/Sermon Discussion, as well as strive to begin lunch no later than 12 pm. We'll hold off cleaning up after lunch till after the study, except for clearing the tables so that we have clear spaces to sit for the discussion. *Pastor Somerville will set up a Zoom link if desired.*

➤ **Eldership training** is this Wednesday at 7:00 pm at the church building or by Zoom. We will be continuing our Church History course. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to participate in this – it is for both those interested in possibly becoming ruling elders and for those seeking to understand what an elder is expected to be and do as we consider who should be called to this office in Christ's Church. *(Pastor Somerville will send out the Zoom link.)*

➤ **RP Global Missions Prayer Request** – Please pray for our RP Global Missions Board. Pray for the upcoming RPGM Board meeting on October 22-23 as they discuss the many ways that they serve and support our missionaries and their families and the work that they do. Pray for them that, as they meet, they would make God-honoring decisions, that their words would be laced with praise of our King, and that hearts would be united under the direction of the Holy Spirit. Keep Elder Greg Moberg in prayer as he travels to this meeting and participates in it. Pray that the Lord would provide the funds the RPGM Board need in this last quarter of the year. Pray that God would grow his church in all our fields and magnify the name of Jesus among all nations.

Participating in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Cherishing this sacrament and believing that it is for professing Christians as taught in 1 Corinthians 11, the Reformed Presbyterian Church believes it is the responsibility of the ordained church elders [the Session in Presbyterian church government] to oversee the observance of the sacrament.

To oversee the observance of the sacrament, the elders provide opportunity for those wishing to commune with us to speak of their faith to the Session. If you are a member in good standing of another RPCNA congregation, or of a sister denomination that is part of the North American Presbyterian and Reformed Council (NAPARC) or can answer the 4 questions below with a good conscience, you are welcome to commune with us without first meeting with the Session. If you expect to be attending here for an extended period of time, we ask that you meet with the session so we can better know you, hear your profession of faith, and answer any questions you may have concerning our church.

1. Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, the only infallible rule for faith and life?
2. Do you believe in the only living and true God – Father, Son, & Holy Spirit?
3. Have you repented of your sin, confessed Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord, and are you dedicated to His service? Are you living your life as a Christian, savoring His forgiveness, and endeavoring to turn away from sin?
4. Have you been baptized, are a member in good standing (or active in a church with no membership roll), and involved in the life and ministry of your church?

If you are not sure of your relationship to Jesus Christ, we ask you to let the elements pass by you, and we invite you to speak with one of our elders to hear the good news of the gospel.

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