

***Confession of Faith** *Shorter Catechism Questions 49-52*

Question 49: Which is the second commandment?

Answer: The second commandment is: You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing love to thousands who love me and keep my commandments.

Question 50: What are the duties required in the second commandment?

Answer: The second commandment requires us to receive, observe, and keep pure and entire all such religious worship and ordinances as God has appointed in his Word.

Question 51: What is forbidden in the second commandment?

Answer: The second commandment forbids the worship of God by images, or any other way not appointed in his Word.

Question 52: What are the reasons attached to the second commandment?

Answer: The reasons attached to the second commandment are God's authority as our lawgiver, the fact that we belong to him, and the zeal he has for his own worship.

GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE

***Closing Hymn**

#701—*Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It!*

***Benediction**

Postlude

Leading Today's Service

Commissioned Pastor	Zach Vreeman	Head Usher	Patti Christensen
Liturgist	Henry Groenenberg		

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Sunday, July 12, 2020

***Please stand if you are able**

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

GOD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE FOR WORSHIP

***Call to Worship** From Psalm 145:13-21

Leader: The LORD is faithful in all his words and kind in all his works.

People: The LORD upholds all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down.

Leader: The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season. You open your hand; you satisfy the desire of every living thing.

People: The LORD is righteous in all his ways and kind in all his works.

Leader: The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he also hears their cry and saves them.

People: My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD, and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.

***Opening Hymn**

#381—*Brethren, We Have Met to Worship*

***Invocation**

***Singing of Psalm 97 (To the tune of *Our God, Our Help in Ages Past*)**

Verse 1

Jehovah reigns; let earth be glad;
Let isles their joy make known,
Dark clouds surround Him, and on right
And justice rests His throne.
Fire goes before Him, and His foes
It burns up round about;
His lightnings lightened all the world;
Earth saw and shook throughout.

Verse 2

Before the LORD the mountains melt
As wax before a flame,
Before the Lord of all the earth
As near His presence came.
The heav'ns declare His righteousness;
All men His glory see,
All serving graven images
Confused and shamed shall be.

Verse 3

They who of idols boast are shamed,
To Him gods worship bring.
When Zion hears this, she is glad,
And Judah's daughters sing,
Because of all Thy judgments, LORD,
Thou art the LORD Most High
Above all earth, above all gods
Exalted very high.

Verse 4

Hate evil, all who love the LORD ;
He keeps His saints secure,
And from the hand of wicked men
He gives deliv'rance sure.
For all the righteous light is sown,
And true hearts gladness claim.
Ye righteous, in the LORD rejoice,
And thank His holy name.

GOD HEARS OUR CONFESSION

Beatitudes (in unison)

(Matthew 5:2-12) Pew Bible [Blue] p. 809, [Red] p. 1029

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison) From Deuteronomy 5:9

Lord, we know that you are a jealous God. You punish the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate you. Forgive us for provoking your jealousy, and send the Holy Spirit into our hearts that we might offer lives which are pleasing to you. We are thankful that even though you are a jealous God, you desire to shower your grace on us and you tell us that you show love to a thousand generations who love you. We praise you, Lord, that jealousy does not have the final say, but your grace poured out in Jesus has spoken the final word.

(Personal Confession) **Amen!**

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Brothers and sisters, hear, believe and receive the good news of the Gospel -- in Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God for his grace!

Passing of the Peace

Leader: Peace be with you.

People: And also with you.

Gloria Patri— #735

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

***Hymn**

#486—*God, Be Merciful to Me*

GOD BRINGS US HIS WORD

Prayer for Illumination

New Testament Scripture

Acts 10:34-48, Pew Bible [Blue] p. 919, [Red] p. 1169

Old Testament Scripture

Jonah 3:1-10, Pew Bible [Blue] p. 775, [Red] p. 983

Sermon

At His Mercy — Zach Vreeman

OUR RESPONSE TO HIS WORD

***Hymn of Response**

#64—*God, the Lord, a King Remaineth*

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

***Doxology — #731**