

The Lord is the Strength of His People
Psalm 29

- I. Praising God
 - A. Praise God the Lord of Glory 1-2

 - B. Praise God the Almighty 3-9

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II. The Life of Those who Praise God

Welcome To Fifth Street Presbyterian Church

Our purpose for meeting together today is to meet with our Lord as a body of believers. We meet that we might hear Him speak in the reading and preaching of His Word. And, we meet to respond to His voice in our songs, prayers, and affirmations. In the ordinary worship of God we find extraordinary grace, encouragement and reason to hope. This corporate worship of God is the most important thing that happens upon the earth and we are delighted to have you with us as we approach the Father in Christ's name by the power of the Holy Spirit.

This week at a glance:

Today	9:30 A.M.	Sunday School
	11:00 A.M.	Morning Worship
	12:30 P.M.	Choir Practice
	5:00 P.M.	Evening Service
Tuesday	7:00 P.M.	Session
Wednesday	7:00 A.M.	Men's Calvin Discussion
Thursday	7:00 P.M.	Ladies Bible Study

Visitors: *We would appreciate a record of your visit, which you can provide by filling out one of the visitor's cards that you will find in the pew. Please place the card in the offering plate. Thank you!*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Evening Service: We will meet in the fellowship hall at 5:00 p.m. this evening. We sing, pray, hear God's Word, and enjoy fellowship together. We meet every Sunday and have a meal together on the 2nd and 4th Sundays.

Ladies you are invited: Fifth Street Ladies and their guest are invited to a Garden Party in Nancy Moore's garden at 1106 S. College. Join us Saturday, May 30 from 11:00 am until 12:30 p.m. for salads, luscious desserts, and our own Jane Simmons as the speaker. We will be honoring the women in the church who faithfully served Christ and Fifth Street in years gone by.

The men are planning a cookout here at the church on Friday, June 5 at 6:00 p.m. This is a bring your own steak cook-out and we will have the privilege of hearing from Tom Duke about his coming to faith in Christ and his journey to East Texas.

Christianity Explored We are offering this class during our Sunday school hour as a way of introducing those interested in this program, as well as a means of encouraging and training ourselves for the work of reaching others for Christ. We are very glad to be able to make the Christianity Explored materials available. This class is a study of the Gospel of Mark designed to introduce Christ to the unconverted, it will last for seven weeks and includes a brief video, a study of Mark, and discussion. If you are interested please speak with James Hescocock.

For the next few months we will be making use of the Heidelberg Catechism's explanation of the Apostles' Creed for our affirmation of faith. We hope you will find it helpful in your understanding of the rich truths expressed in this creed and that it will enrich your worship.

The offering counters this week are: Ken Turman and Milford Brinton.

Some helpful insights on public worship from our Book of Church Order (chapter 47, parts 3, 4, & 5).

The end of public worship is the glory of God. His people should engage in all its several parts with an eye single to His glory. Public worship has as its aim the building of Christ's Church by the perfecting of the saints and the addition to its membership of such as are being saved--all to the glory of God. Through public worship on the Lord's day Christians should learn to serve God all the days of the week in their every activity, remembering, whether they eat or drink, or whatever they do, to do all to the glory of God (1 Corinthians 10:31).

Public worship is Christian when the worshippers recognize that Christ is the Mediator by whom alone they can come unto God, when they honor Christ as the head of the Church, who rules over public worship, and when their worship is an expression of their faith in Christ and of their love for Him.

Public worship must be performed in spirit and in truth. Externalism and hypocrisy stand condemned. The forms of public worship have value only when they serve to express the inner reverence of the worshipper and his sincere devotion to the true and living God. And only those whose hearts have been renewed by the Holy Spirit are capable of such reverence and devotion.

Reading Calvin? Men, if you are interested in reading Calvin together with some other men of our church we meet on Wednesday mornings at 7 a.m. at Einstein's Bagel on Broadway. We are currently in Book Two, chapter two, section 26. Read about six sections and join us for a discussion this Wednesday. If you do not have a copy of Calvin's Institutes you can find it for free online or on your smart phone. Hope you can join us for this time of theological discussion among brothers.