

A Trust that Ends in Praise and Love of God
Psalm 31

- I. Our Refuge 1-20
 - A. Prayer

 - B. Trust

 - C. Lament

 - D. Trust

 - E. Praise

- II. Our Response 21-24
 - A. Praise

 - B. Love

“In singing this we should animate ourselves and one another to proceed and persevere in our Christian course, whatever threatens us, and whoever frowns upon us.”—Matthew Henry

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
	5:00 P.M.	Evening Service
Wednesday	7:00 A.M.	Men Discussing Calvin
Thursday	7:00 P.M.	Ladies Bible Study
Friday	6:00 P.M.	Men’s Cook-Out

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

All men are invited to our bringing your own steak cook-out here at the church, Friday, at 6:00 p.m. Bring your own steak or whatever you wish to grill and the rest of the meal will be provided. We will have Tom Duke as guest speaker and enjoy hearing about his coming to faith in Christ and his journey to East Texas. We hope you can be with us and would encourage you to bring a friend.

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. If you are interested please speak with James Hescok.

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 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.

From time to time it is helpful to be reminded that our Elders' and Deacons' meetings are open for any member of the congregation to attend as is also the case with Presbytery and the General Assembly of the PCA. Occasionally, as is the case with Presbytery, visitors may be asked to leave the meeting so that a sensitive matter can be discussed but the bulk of the meetings are open for observation. While the right to speak at the meetings belongs to the church officers or those granted the privilege of the floor by the officers, the governing of your church, however, is intended to be open.

Thanks to our May Ushers: Mike Hampton, Jessie Martin, Fred McDowell and Chris Wiesinger. **The June Ushers are:** Daniel Martin, Bill Turman and Ken Turman. The offering counters this week are: Chris Wiesinger and Milford Brinton.

Our Confession and the questions about marriage

One of the wonderful advantages of being part of a confessional church is that every time new questions come up we do not need to re-invent the wheel. The recent questions on marriage as to what it is and who may marry were soundly answered in the 1460s. The Westminster Divines stated that concerning marriage they believe the following and we agree with them that this is what the Bible teaches.

1. Marriage is to be between one man and one woman: neither is it lawful for any man to have more than one wife, nor for any woman to have more than one husband, at the same time.
2. Marriage was ordained for the mutual help of husband and wife, for the increase of mankind with legitimate issue, and of the church with an holy seed; and for preventing of uncleanness.
3. It is lawful for all sorts of people to marry, who are able with judgment to give their consent. Yet it is the duty of Christians to marry only in the Lord. And therefore such as profess the true reformed religion should not marry with infidels, papists, or other idolaters: neither should such as are godly be unequally yoked, by marrying with such as are notoriously wicked in their life, or maintain damnable heresies.
4. Marriage ought not to be within the degrees of consanguinity or affinity forbidden by the Word. Nor can such incestuous marriages ever be made lawful by any law of man or consent of parties, so as those persons may live together as man and wife.
5. Adultery or fornication committed after a contract, being detected before marriage, giveth just occasion to the innocent party to dissolve that contract. In the case of adultery after marriage, it is lawful for the innocent party to sue out a divorce: and, after the divorce, to marry another, as if the offending party were dead.
6. Although the corruption of man be such as is apt to study arguments unduly to put asunder those whom God hath joined together in marriage: yet, nothing but adultery, or such willful desertion as can no way be remedied by the church, or civil magistrate, is cause sufficient of dissolving the bond of marriage: wherein, a public and orderly course of proceeding is to be observed; and the persons concerned in it not left to their own wills, and discretion, in their own case.