

Jan 15th, 2023

Schedule of Events:

This Week: 9:30 AM Rev Witvoet - Installation, No classes
6:30 PM Catechism Reading

Next Week: 9:30 AM Student Kleijer, Preparatory, No classes
6:30 PM Student Kleijer

Monday: Consistory meeting at 2:00PM

NOTICE Correction: Tuesday 17th: Sing-along in church
7:00 PM with a short topic and lunch following. All are welcome.

-All the Lord willing-

Announcements:

Offerings: 1st offering: General Fund

2nd offering Today: Emeritus

2nd offering next week: School Fund

Advanced Notice: Rev Slingerland hopes to be with us on Jan
29th for the Lord's Supper AM, Reflection PM

House Visitation:

1st = 6:30 PM, 2nd = 8:00 PM If changes are needed please
contact Elder Rozeboom as soon as possible.

Jan 16th: 1st Tom Johnson, 2nd Brandon Van Beek

Jan 23: 1st Derek Kattenberg

Remember in Prayer:

- Our widows, widowers and lonely ones, the unborn, prodigal sons and daughters, those undergoing treatments, and all those with hidden crosses. ("He will regard the prayer of the destitute, and not despise their prayer." Psalm 102:17)

Meditation:

II. WHAT IS THE DESIGN OF THE LORD'S SUPPER?

The Lord's supper was instituted: 1. That it might be a confirmation of our faith, or a most sure proof of our union, and communion with Christ, who feeds us with his body and blood unto everlasting life, as truly as we receive these signs from the hands of the minister. This object is attained by all those who receive these signs in true faith: for we so receive these signs from the hands of the minister, as if the Lord himself gave them unto us with his own hand. It is in this way that Christ is said to have baptized more disciples than John, when he, nevertheless, did it through his disciples. (John 4:1.) 2. That we may by the observance of it make a public confession of our faith, acknowledge our gratitude, and bind ourselves to constant thankfulness, and to the celebration of this benefit. Hence it is said: "This do in remembrance of me." "For as often as ye eat of this bread, and drink of this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come." (Luke 22:19. 1 Cor. 11:26.) This remembrance, or commemoration of Christ precedes and is taken for faith in the heart; after which we make public confession, and acknowledgements of our thankfulness. 3. That it might be a public distinction, or badge, by which the true church may be known, and recognized from the world. The Lord has instituted this supper for none, but those who are his disciples. 4. That it might be a bond of love, declaring that all who partake of it aright, are made members of one body whose head is Christ. "For we being many are one bread, and one body; for we are all partakers of that one bread." (1 Cor. 10:17.) Those now who are members of the same body have a mutual love one for another. 5. That the people of God who assemble in a public manner might be united together in the closest fellowship; for it was instituted to be observed in the congregation, whether there be many or few present. Hence Christ says, "Drink ye all of it," and Paul says, "When ye come together to eat tarry one for another." (Matt. 26:27. 1 Cor. 11:33.) That the Lord's supper ought not to be celebrated privately, by one person alone may be proven;

- 1. Because it is a communion, and is the sign of our communion with Christ: but a private supper is no communion.*
- 2. Because it is a solemn thanksgiving; and we ought all to render thanks unto God. Hence he who regards himself as unworthy to communicate with others, declares that he is not fit to give thanks*

unto God.

3. *Because Christ, with all his benefits, is not the property of one, but belongs to all in common. A private communion would, however, make a private good out of that which is common.*

4. *Because Christ admitted all his disciples, yea even Judas, from which it is easy to see that a private communion is contrary to the appointment of Christ.*

5. *That some neglect the communion or defer it even until death, arises no doubt from some wrong notion, or influence, either because they will not commune with others, or because they think that they are not worthy. But all who believe that they are delivered from eternal condemnation by the death of Christ, and desire to advance in holiness, are worthy. Briefly, when the Lord's supper is observed by one person alone it is done contrary to the design, name, institution, and nature of the sacrament.*

Taken from: Dr. Ursinus' Commentary of the Heidelberg Catechism

Notes:

All who would like to stand for the 3rd song are welcome to.

Consistory

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○ give thanks unto the LORD; call upon his name:
Make known his deeds among the people.

Psalm 105:1

Church Times: 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 or 6:30 p.m