

Resurrection: Essential or Nonessential?

Romans 10:9-10

- I. Introduction
- II. Two Reasons Why the Resurrection is Essential
 - A. It is Essential to Jesus' Mission.
 - B. It is Essential to Our Salvation.
- III. The Essential Bond Between the Fact of and Witness to the Resurrection
- IV. Objections
 - A. If They Tell Me What to Preach – Not When – Then I'll Object. Until Then We Should Obey the Magistrate and Not Meet on Easter.
 - B. We Should Not Meet On Easter In Order to Protect Others – Especially Our Healthcare Community.
 - C. The Church Has a Duty – to What?

The vision for the New Geneva Orthodox Presbyterian Church is to preach, teach, and practice the Reformed faith in Southeast Idaho through a God-centered worship service, a variety of teaching ministries, and practical service to the community.

We are covenantal
Holding to the Old and New Covenants or Testaments

We are confessional
Holding to the historic Westminster Confessional Standards

We are community oriented
Caring for our brothers and Sisters

We are cross-cultural
Believing that the Church is to be Called from every nation and race

We are Presbyterian
Believing that our church is only a small part of the Universal Church and that church government should fall upon the Presbytery or elders

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**This is what the LORD says
Stand at the crossroads and look
ask for the ancient paths
ask where the good way is and walk in it
and you will find rest for your souls**

Jeremiah 6:16

New Geneva

ORTHODOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday Covenant Renewal Worship

April 5, 2020

Prayer for Silent Meditation

We encourage you to use the moments preceding the commencement of holy worship in quiet meditation and preparation. Toward that end we offer the prayer below as food for thought.

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits which you have given me, for all the pains and insults you have borne for me. O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.

St. Richard of Chichester, AD 1198-1253

* Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

Scripture Reading: Mark 11:1-11

Prayer:

Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering and also share in his resurrection. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Book of Common Prayer, 1976

* Apostolic Salutation * Congregation Standing

Minister: *The Lord be with your spirit.*

People: *And grace be with you.*

* Call to Worship *Psalm 25, #792*

* Hymn My Song is Love Unknown, #182

* The Law of God *Exodus 20:1-17*

Prayer of Confession *Kneel (as able)*

Almighty and merciful God, the fountain of all goodness, who knows the thoughts of our hearts: We confess that we have sinned against you and done evil in your sight. Wash us, we ask you, from the stains of our past sins and give us grace and power to put away all hurtful things that, being

delivered from the bondage of sin, we may bring forth fruits worthy of repentance and at last enter into your promised joy. Through the mercy of your blessed Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Alcuin, AD 732-804

* Assurance of Pardon

Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love.

Micah 7:18

Minister: *Herein is the pardon of the Savior.*

People: *Thanks be to You, O Lord.*

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

* Hymn Man of Sorrows! What a Name! #246

* Hymn O God Eternal, You are You are My God, #663

* The Word of God

Old Testament Lesson *Nehemiah 13:15-22*

New Testament Lesson *Matthew 12:1-8*

Minister: *This is the Word of the Lord.*

People: *Thanks be to You, O God.*

* Gloria Patri #735

Prayer for the Sermon

O most merciful God, incline your ear to our prayers and illumine us called by you with the grace of the Holy Spirit that we may be enabled worthily to minister to Your Scriptures and to love you with an everlasting love and to attain everlasting joys. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gallican Collect, AD 9th C

Sermon

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Response to the Word of God

* Hymn Psalm 42A

Prayer for Alms and Offerings

* We Give Thee But Thine Own #432

* Our Mutual Confession of Faith

The Heidelberg Catechism, Q. 1.

Q: What is your only comfort in life and death?

A: That I, with body and soul, both in life and death, am not my own, but belong unto my faithful Savior Jesus Christ; who with his precious blood has fully satisfied for all my sins and delivered me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; yea, that all things must be subservient to my salvation, whereof by his Holy Spirit he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me heartily willing and ready, henceforth, to live unto him.

* Doxology #731

* Benediction

* Threefold Amen #740