

ORDER OF WORSHIP

FEBRUARY 1, 2009

In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are spiritually weak and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whomsoever will come.

Jesus taught us that if our brother has something against us, we ought to go and be reconciled to him before we do anything else in gathered worship. Please do that without delay if necessary.

CALL TO WORSHIP: PSALM 148:1-6

Doxology

A Mighty Fortress is Our God

How Great is Our God

ANCIENT TRUTHS FOR TODAY'S CHILDREN

APOSTLES' CREED

Ancient Words

PASTORAL PRAYER

TITHES & OFFERINGS*

Offertory— How Beautiful (Temple Sherburne, Kacie Roberts)

SERMON: DR. JOHN SITTEMA

Credo Series: I believe...in the church!

Scriptures: Matt 16:18-19; Acts 2:42-47; Eph 3:4-6, 8-10

OUR CORPORATE RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

The Heidelberg Catechism: Lord's Day 21, questions 54,55

The Church's One Foundation

PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

The Heidelberg Catechism- The **Heidelberg Catechism** is a Protestant confessional document taking the form of a series of questions and answers, for use in teaching Reformed Christian doctrine. It has been translated into many languages and is regarded as one of the most influential of the Reformed catechisms.

Catechism- (Ancient Greek: κατηχισμός) is a summary or exposition of doctrine, traditionally used in Christian religious teaching from New Testament times to the present.

Catholic- **Catholic** is an adjective derived from the Greek adjective καθολικός (*katholikos*), meaning "whole" or "complete".

Bulwark-How many times have we sung that God is a “bulwark never failing” and wondered what that meant? It means a strong support or protection. Indeed He is that, and greater than any song or word could tell.

**children (ages 5-8) may now exit the service for Children’s Worship in room 202*