

## Evening Sermon Notes

Rev. D. Leonard Gulstrom

Job's Last Words  
Job 31

Job speaks his last words of defense.

1. Covenant Made. vv. 1-3
2. Challenge Given. vv. 4-6
3. Covenant Faithfulness. vv. 7-34
4. Challenge Repeated. vv. 35-37
5. Covenant Attested. vv. 38-40

### Mission of the Month

#### OPC Mission to Haiti

Haiti is a nation long wracked by idolatry, lawlessness and natural disasters. OPC missionaries have served in Haiti for over 20 years, establishing churches, conducting training seminars and directing short-term missions in their labors.

**Missionaries Ben and Heather Hopp** have worked alongside Associate missionaries Octavius and Marie Delfils until Bens' appointment last month as Regional Foreign Missionary to Africa and Haiti. Together, they labor to bring hope to Haiti by building the church of Jesus Christ and bringing His elect into the kingdom. In that there is real hope.

#### Extrait: Psalm 117

(v.1) 1. Praise give the LORD, you nations all; All peo - ples, praise now bring.  
(v.2) 2. His lov-ing-kind-ness doth abound; His love tow'rd us is sure.

Ex - tol the LORD, you peoples all, Ex - tol Him —praise and sing!  
The LORD's great faith - ful-ness endures For - ev - er —praise the LORD!

## The Lord's Day Evening

Sunday, April 14, 2024, 4:00 p.m.



The Reverend Mr. D. Leonard Gulstrom, *Presiding*  
Ruling Elder Mr. Jonathan Bergmann, *Assisting*

### The Silent Preparation

### The Announcements

### The Greeting and Call to Worship

Psalm 32:1-2

### \*The Hymn of Praise

*Jesus! What a Friend of Sinners!*

Hymn 498

### \*Confession of Faith

West Minister Confession of Faith—Ch 1

see bulletin

### \*The Psalm of Doxology

Psalm 100:1-5 – *All Earth, With Joy*

Psalm 100C

### The Pastoral Prayer

### The Old Testament Reading

Psalm 119:1-16

### The New Testament Reading

2 Timothy 4:1-8

### The Prayer of Thanksgiving

### The Worship of God with Our Offerings

### \*The Psalm of Adoration

Psalm 119:9-16 – *How Can a Young Man Cleanse His Way* Psalm 119B

### The Prayer of Illumination

### The Preaching of God's Word

*Job's Last Words*  
Job 31

### The Prayer of Application

### \*The Hymn of Response

*Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness*

Hymn 520

### \*The Benediction — Ephesians 3:20-21

### \*The Extrait

see bulletin

\* Please stand as you are able



## The Lord's Day Morning

Sunday, April 14, 2024, 9:30 a.m.

The Reverend Mr. D. Leonard Gulstrom, *Presiding*  
Ruling Elder Mr. Jonathan Bergmann, *Assisting*

### The Silent Preparation

### The Announcements

### The Greeting and Call to Worship

Psalm 46:1-2a, 7

### \*The Hymn of Praise

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Hymn 457

### \*The Prayer of Invocation and Adoration

### \*The Reading of the Law and Confession of Sin

Exodus 20:1-3; Romans 1:20-22; Psalm 25:16-18

see bulletin

### \*The Gospel Promise

Romans 6:23

see bulletin

### \*The Response of Thanksgiving

Psalm 89:1

see bulletin

### \*The Doxology

### The Pastoral Prayer

### The Old Testament Reading

Psalm 46

### The New Testament Reading

Matthew 5:1-16

Hymn 731

### The Prayer of Thanksgiving

### The Worship of God with Our Offerings

### \*The Psalm of Preparation

Psalm 46:1-10 – *God is Our Refuge and Our Strength*

Psalm 46C

### The Prayer of Illumination

### The Preaching of God's Word

*Separated to the Gospel*  
Romans 1:1-2

### The Prayer of Application

### \*The Hymn of Response

*God, Be Merciful to Me*

Hymn 486

### The Lord's Supper

### \*The Hymn of Thanksgiving

*Not What My Hands Have Done*

Hymn 461

### \*The Benediction—Numbers 6:24-26

### \*The Gloria Patri

\* Please stand as you are able

Hymn 735

## ***The Reading of the Law***

*Exodus 20:1-3; Romans 1:20-22*

And God spoke all these words, saying, “I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. “You shall have no other gods before Me.

For His invisible attributes, namely, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse. For although they knew God, they did not honor Him as God or give thanks to Him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened. Claiming to be wise, they became fools,

## ***The Confession of Sin***

*Psalms 25:16-18*

Turn to me and be gracious to me, for I am lonely and afflicted. The troubles of my heart are enlarged; bring me out of my distresses. Consider my affliction and my trouble, and forgive all my sins.

## ***The Gospel Promise***

*Romans 6:23*

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## ***The Response of Thanksgiving***

*Psalms 89:1*

I will sing of the steadfast love of the Lord, forever; with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations.

## ***Church Officers***

### **Session:**

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## ***Morning Sermon Notes***

***Rev. D. Leonard Gulstrom***

*Separated to the Gospel*

*Romans 1:1-2*

God separated Paul to the gospel which was promised by the prophets..

1. Separated to the gospel. v. 1

2. Promised by the prophets. v.2

## ***Announcements***

**Wednesday Prayer Meeting** is at **6:00 p.m.** All ages welcome.

**Church Work Day** on Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. till noon. Come help tidy up the church and grounds for Spring. Light breakfast refreshments will be provided. Please sign-up at the table in the Foyer. See a Deacon if you have questions.

**Faithful Stones Church** will be hosting a Psalm Sing on Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Visit their website to register and to review the psalm selections we will be singing. The theme will be Christ the King. Register no later than April 19<sup>th</sup> so that they can make an appropriate number of booklets and prepare refreshments.

**CompassCare’s 2024 Walk for Life** is coming soon. We plan on walking with Faithful Stones Church on April 27<sup>th</sup>. Further info will be sent out via email. Contact Tessa Herlan with any questions.

### **Coming Up:**

04/21/24 AM Service:

***Rev. D. Leonard Gulstrom***

*The Gospel of Jesus Christ*

*Romans 1:3-4*

04/21/24 PM Service:

***Rev. D. Leonard Gulstrom***

*Elihu and the Justice of God*

*Job 32*

## ***The Confession of Faith***

### **Westminster Confession of Faith: Ch. 1 Holy Scripture**

*Although the light of nature and the works of creation and providence manifest the goodness, wisdom, and power of God, to such an extent that men are without excuse, yet they are not sufficient to give that knowledge of God and of his will which is necessary for salvation. Therefore it pleased the Lord, at various times and in diverse ways, to reveal himself and to declare his will to his church; and afterward—for the better preserving and propagating of the truth, and for the more sure establishment and comfort of the church against the corruption of the flesh and the malice of Satan and of the world—to commit this revelation wholly to writing. Therefore the Holy Scripture is most necessary, God's former ways of revealing his will to his people having ceased.*

### **Comment:**

The Westminster Assembly of Divines, convened by the English Parliament in 1643, completed the Confession of Faith, the Shorter Catechism, and the Larger Catechism in 1647. These documents have served as the doctrinal standards, subordinate to the Word of God, for Presbyterian and other churches around the world. The version we will be using to confess our faith together is the Modern English Study Version published in 1993 by the Committee on Christian Education of the OPC. It removes archaic words and phrases without changing the meaning of the confession.

The opening chapter of the Confession begins with the doctrine of Holy Scripture. The opening sentence of the Confession does not. It begins by reminding us that God has revealed Himself to all people, even to those without a Bible. General revelation comes in two forms. There is the “light of nature” which speaks of the divine imprint that is on each of us by our Maker. And there are the “works of creation and providence,” the world we see that tells us of our Creator and Provider, the One who once made and now upholds all things. But general revelation has its limits. The real objective of the Confession is to show the way to life and the way to live life as it is revealed in God’s spoken revelation. The purpose of Scripture is to reveal God. But even this did not go far enough. God in His wisdom and goodness committed the revelation of Himself to written form. He gave us His word, the Bible, which is “most necessary” for salvation.

<b>Giving:</b>	<b>Budgeted:</b>
04/07/24.....\$4,678.62	Weekly.....\$4,808.00