

CHRIST COVENANT REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

But ye are come unto mount Zion... And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant (Hebrews 12.22, 24)



SCRIPTURE ALONE—GRACE ALONE—FAITH ALONE—BY CHRIST
ALONE—TO GOD ALONE BE GLORY!
REFORMED, AND ALWAYS REFORMING

Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 10/16/2019 (No Prayer Meeting at Church this week)

Opening Prayer

Psalm: 107.32-43; Page 242

First Exhortation: Presbyteries, and Biblical Church Government; Acts 15.6-35; 1 Timothy 4.6-16

Pray for the understanding and execution of Biblical Church Government, and that in uprightness.

1. Pray that the Church would embrace the Biblical form of Church government, Presbyterianism, and that the Lord's command to that effect might be understood from His Word. (Titus 1.5)
2. Pray for those in office in the Church, that they might rule in God's house with justice, equity, truth, according to the Word of Christ, as those who will give account. (Exodus 18.14-27)
3. Pray for the people of God, that they would not "despise government". (Deuteronomy 17.12-13; 2 Peter 2.10-11)
4. Pray that the Lord would send refreshment to His people as a result of establishing, and taking heed to godly church government, according to His Word. (Acts 16.1-5)
5. Pray that elders would govern according to the command of Christ the Chief Shepherd, refusing to become "lords over God's heritage", as examples to the flock, and servants to Christ. (1 Peter 5.1-4)
6. Pray for the discipline and recovery, or the removal of wicked ministers and elders, who teach error, fleece rather than feed the flock, and work contrary to the commands and counsels of Christ. (Ezekiel 34.7-16)
7. Pray for a good relationship of love, care, and concern between the membership of the Church and her officers, for the better facilitating of godly government. (1 Thessalonians 5.12-15; Hebrews 13.7, 17)
8. Pray for a courageous adherence to the Word of God among the ministers governors of the Churches, in preaching, teaching, example, instruction, and counsel. (2 Timothy 4.1-8)
9. Pray for the work of Presbyteries in training men for the ministry, handling cases of appeal, providing direction and counsel to her ministers and members, watching over her elders, directing students for the ministry, and establishing preaching stations, that all would be done according to the mind of Christ. (Acts 13.1-5; 15.22-35)
10. Pray for reformation in the area of Church Government, that independent Church would realize their impoverished estate, and desire that Biblical and greater connection. (Joshua 22.10-34; Ecclesiastes 4.7-12)

Psalm: 35.17-23; Page 69

Second Exhortation: The Unity of the Church, Zephaniah 3.9; Zechariah 14.19; Ephesians 4.1-16

Pray for the Church, her unity in Christ, and in His truth.

1. Pray for the teachers of the truth, that they would teach the people of God faithfully, and that in that teaching the Church would be brought to her proper maturity and unity. (Ephesians 4.1-16)
2. Pray that schismatics and those who polarize the people of God, against the truth of Christ, would be warned, and upon refusal to submit to the Lord and His Word, removed from the Church. (Titus 3.9-11)
3. Pray for a rooting out of false doctrine—the true cause of division among the people of God—and that faithful ministers would be sought out instead. (Titus 1.6-16)
4. Pray that those who speak evil of one another would be brought under proper correction, that they should not divide the people of God, but that we might offer a blessing instead. (Titus 3.1-8; 1 Peter 3.9)
5. Pray for an end to petty jealousy and envy among the people of God, and a much larger commitment to the truth of Christ, that the Church might be brought together in unity. (James 3.13-18)
6. Pray that there would be no improper lust for authority, but instead a wholesome submission to ecclesiastical authority in truth, according to the Word of Christ. (Galatians 6.11-18 3 John 1.9-11)
7. Pray for hearts of forgiveness rather than accusation, patience rather than a rush to discipline, loving correction wise receiving of correction, and care rather than strife and warring among us, regulating our desires concerning self and promoting the interests of Christ and His Kingdom. (James 4.1-17)
8. Pray for love for Christ first among His people, and then a love "in Christ" for His people, His Church, His truth, His doctrine, and hatred of every false way which would divide His Kingdom. (Psalm 119.104, 128; Matthew 22.34-40)
9. Pray for an uncompromising love of the truth, so that the unity of the Church would be based upon the right commitment to the Word of God. (Romans 12.9)

Psalm 25.1-7, Page 45

Closing prayer