

Westminster Larger Catechism

Q. 72. What is justifying faith?

A. Justifying faith is a saving grace, wrought in the heart of a sinner by the Spirit and Word of God, whereby he, being convinced of his sin and misery, and of the disability in himself and all other creatures to recover him out of his lost condition, not only assenteth to the truth of the promise of the gospel, but receiveth and resteth upon Christ and his, righteousness, therein held forth, for pardon of sin, and for the accepting and accounting of his person righteous in the sight of God for salvation.

Q. 73. How doth faith justify a sinner in the sight of God?

A. Faith justifies a sinner in the sight of God, not because of those other graces which do always accompany it, or of good works that are the fruits of it, nor as if the grace of faith, or any act thereof, were imputed to him for his justification; but only as it is an instrument by which he receiveth and applieth Christ and his righteousness.



Familiar

Simon Peter and Andrew
James and John

Encouraging

Philip and Bartholomew
Thomas and Matthew

Calming

James and Thaddaeus
Simon the Cananaean
and Judas Iscariot
(*Matthew 10:2-4*)

Cottonwood Community Church

July 5, 2009

Fourth Sunday After Trinity

Sunday Devotion, 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship, 10:00 a.m.
Thursday Prayer, 7:00 p.m.

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Welcome

The Collect

Psalms 73:15-17

(15) If I had said, "I will speak thus," I would have betrayed the generation of your children.

(16) But when I thought how to understand this, it seemed to me a wearisome task,

(17) until I went into the sanctuary of God; then I discerned their end.

Hymn 199: I Love To Tell The Story

Old Testament Reading: Ecclesiastes 4:7-12

Preparation for the Lord's Supper:

Let us rehearse the articles of our belief.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,

Who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into Hades.

The third day He arose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

What do we chiefly learn in these articles of our belief?

First, I learn to believe in God the Father, who hath made me, and all the world.

Secondly, in God the Son, who hath redeemed me, and all mankind.

Thirdly, in God the Holy Ghost, who sanctifies me, and all the people of God.

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Celebration of The Lord's Supper

Hymn 194: At Calvary

New Testament Reading: Acts 19:13-16

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

According To The Need

Matthew 10:1-4

Congregational Prayer

Our Father, who art in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Hymn 39: Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

Benediction: Numbers 6:24-26. The LORD bless you and keep you: the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you: the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. Amen