



THE WOODLANDS REFORMED CHURCH

March 9, 2025

*The Woodlands Reformed Church exists to glorify God by making
disciples of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit.*

*** Invocation**

Psalm 90:1-2, 13-14

Minister: Lord, you have been our dwelling place
in all generations.
Before the mountains were brought forth,
or ever you had formed the earth and the world,
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

People: Return, O LORD! How long?
Have pity on your servants!
Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,
that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

*** Hymn 224**

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

*** Prayer of Adoration**

*** The Lord's Prayer**

All: 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.

*** Affirmation of Faith**

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Corporate Confession

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name.

Amen.

Private Confession

** Please stand if you are able*

Declaration of Pardon

Micah 7:18-19

Minister: 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.
He will again have compassion on us;
he will tread our iniquities underfoot.
You will cast all our sins
into the depths of the sea.

People: Amen!

Minister: Our help is in the name of the Lord

People: the maker of heaven and earth

Minister: O Lord, open our lips

People: and our mouth will declare your praise.

*** Doxology**

Praise God from who all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures, here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!
Amen!

*** Prayer of Illumination**

*** Scripture Reading**

Romans 13:1-7

Minister: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

** Please stand if you are able*

Sermon Title

He Does Not Bear The Sword in Vain

*** Hymns #336**

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

*** Benediction**

Ephesians 3:20–21

Minister: Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

People: Thanks be to God. Amen!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mission of the Church Conference

Join us as we host our first conference as a church on Saturday, April 5, from 8:30 am – 1 pm, at the South County Community Center (2235 Lake Robbins Dr, The Woodlands, TX 77380). The conference will focus on the Mission of the Church, and will include talks from Dr. David Garner (Chief Academic Officer, Vice President of Global Ministries, and Charles Krahe Professor of Systematic Theology at Westminster Theological Seminary in Philadelphia), and Dr. Stafford Carson (President's Professor & Frank Barker Chair of Missions and Evangelism at Westminster Theological Seminary). There will also be a Q&A session, and breakfast and lunch will be included in the price of admission. For more information about the conference, the talks, and the speakers, and to register, please visit <https://wtsxwoodlands.rsvpify.com/>.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study

Our men's midweek study will meet on Wednesday, March 12 at 7:00 PM at 6 Wild Ginger Ct. We are continuing to study the Westminster Confession of Faith. Come and bring a friend. The women's midweek study will meet on March 19.

Men's Lunch Bible Study

Join the men on Wednesday at Firehouse Subs (1640 Lake Woodlands Dr Ste C) from 11:30 am – 12:30 pm, as we continue our Bible study in 1 & 2 Timothy and Titus. To guide our study, we are following a study guide

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Volunteering

We are looking for volunteers for 2025 to help with nursery, hospitality, set-up and tear down, audio visual, and greeting for Sunday mornings. This is a great way to honor God and to love our neighbors well. Please email Julio Rodriguez at julio@woodlandsreformed.org to inquire.



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