

# SERVICE OF INSTALLATION

July 9, 2011

*Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live. John 11:25*

Prelude Brent and Jennifer Scott

Welcome and Introductions — Dr. Roger Schultz

Call to Worship and Invocation  
— Rev. James Spurgeon

\* Bible Song — Psalm 1A Psalter

Old Testament Reading: Deut. 31:1-13  
— John Stallings

\* Bible Song — Psalm 23A Psalter

New Testament Readings:  
Titus 1:5-9, 1 Peter 5:1-4, 1 Timothy 4:11-16  
— Rev. Rob Schenck

Prayer — Rev. Larry Morrison

Biblical Exhortation — Dr. Roger Schultz

Order of Installation — Dr. Roger Schultz

\* Bible Song — Psalm 133A Psalter

\* Benediction — Rev. Dr. W. Allen Church

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**The congregation's responsibility** with respect to our new pastor may be seen in the questions and charge that are parts of the Order of Installation. The text below is provided to assist in following along as the service is conducted.

**[QUESTIONS TO THE PEOPLE]** Do you, the people of this church, continue to profess your readiness to receive Dr. Church, whom you have called to be your pastor?

Do you promise to receive the word of truth from his mouth with meekness and love and to submit to him in the due exercise of discipline?

Do you promise to encourage him in his labors, and to assist his endeavors for your instruction and spiritual edification?

And do you engage to continue to him while he is your pastor that competent worldly maintenance which you have promised, and to furnish him with whatever you may see needful for the honor of religion and for his comfort among you?

**[CHARGE TO THE PEOPLE AFTER THE DECLARATION OF INSTALLATION]** Beloved in the Lord: You have now entered into a contract and solemn covenant with this presbytery and with your pastor that you will faithfully perform the things which you have promised. With careful consideration and prayerful decision you have satisfied yourselves as to the qualifications of your pastor for this high office. You have called him, and he has answered your petition, and the presbytery has confirmed it. We pray that God, who is able to make all grace abound unto you, may grant you all sufficiency in everything that ye may abound in every good work.

You will, therefore, at all times remember the things which you have covenanted to perform. As you have called him to be your pastor you will continue to receive and welcome him as such.

You have promised to be good hearers and to receive the Word of truth which he preaches with meekness and love. You will, therefore, be considerate in your judgment. You have promised to be ready to receive discipline at his hands. This is one of the functions of the church.

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Your pastor is charged to preach the Word; be urgent in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with all long-suffering and teaching. You have promised to encourage him in his work and to help him in his endeavor to help yourselves. This will require thought and planning on your part. You carry responsibility with him for the spiritual upbuilding of the church. You are his fellow workers. You are laborers together with him.

You will pray for him and with him. You have promised to make it your particular duty so to provide for him in material things that he may be free to give his whole time to the church and to the presbytery without distraction or unnecessary anxiety.

You have promised, further, to make it your concern that everything that can be done to advance the honor of religion in this place shall be done by you. This is a high obligation. It places upon you the solemn duty to see that nothing takes place here that would in any way harm the church, or the cause of Christ, and it encourages you in your effort to honor the church and to adorn your profession of the Gospel.

Remember always that you are the Body of Christ, and severally members thereof. There is one Body, and one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.



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## Welcome to Reformed Presbyterian Church

*Reformed in theology, Presbyterian in government — Job 42:10*

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**Saturday**    10 a.m.    Installation Service to install Dr. Allen Church as pastor.

**After the service:**    Church picnic

**Tomorrow, July 10**    10 a.m.    Morning Worship:  
FINDING SALVATION IN THE HOUSE OF THE LORD, Dr. Allen Church preaching — Hebrews 10:17–25, Isaiah 52:7–10, Romans 10:13–17

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