The Church and the Sacraments  
2ST 524 – ST 4

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

In this course we will study the doctrines of the Church and the Sacraments. We will attempt to understand, appreciate, and apply these doctrines as they are revealed in Holy Scripture and confessed in the Reformed tradition to the end that we may better glorify our triune God and King.

This course meets Monday to Friday, 8:30am-3:30pm, January 28-February 1, 2008.

READING REQUIREMENTS

1. Textbooks to be purchased by the student:
   
   Edmund P. Clowney, The Church (ISBN: 0830815341), read all
   
   
   The Westminster Confession of Faith, read Chapters 20-31

2. Textbooks available on reserve in the library:
   
   John Calvin, Institutes of the Christian Religion, read Book 4, Chapters 14-19

3. Essays available on IQ Web:
   
   In addition to the aforementioned books, students will read essays by the following authors in their entirety: Kenneth E. Bailey, Edmund P. Clowney, Richard B. Gaffin Jr., Robert S. Rayburn, Thomas R. Schreiner, C. Samuel Storms, and N. T. Wright.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. Students will take a final exam based upon the assigned readings and lectures (60 % of final grade).

2. On the final exam, students will give a reading report stating the percentage of assigned readings they have completed (40 % of final grade).
3. Hard copies of all assignments must be turned in or postmarked to Ceci Helm by March 14, 2008.

BIBLIOGRAPHY

Paul D. L. Avis, The Church in the Theology of the Reformers

James Bannerman, The Church of Christ

William S. Barker and W. Robert Godfrey, eds., Theonomy: A Reformed Critique

Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Life Together

Wilhelmus à Brakel, The Christian’s Reasonable Service

Mark R. Brown, ed., Order in the Offices

John Calvin, Institutes of the Christian Religion

John Calvin, Treatises on the Sacraments

Richard B. Gaffin Jr., Perspectives on Pentecost

Wayne Grudem, The Gift of Prophecy

Darryl G. Hart, Recovering Mother Kirk: The Case for Liturgy in the Reformed Tradition

Darryl G. Hart and John R. Muether, Seeking a Better Country: 300 Years of American Presbyterianism

Stanley Hauerwas and William H. Willimon, Resident Aliens

Meredith G. Kline, By Oath Consigned

Abraham Kuyper, Lectures on Calvinism

Hans Küng, The Church

John Murray, Christian Baptism

Oliver O’Donovan, The Desire of the Nations

Thomas R. Schreiner and Shawn D. Wright, eds., Believer’s Baptism: Sign of the New Covenant in Christ

Francis Turretin, Institutes of Elenctic Theology

Miroslav Volf, After Our Likeness: The Church as the Image of the Trinity