

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

Gregg Strawbridge, ed., *The Case for Covenantal Infant Baptism* (ISBN: 0875525547), 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*