

**RACINE CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH**

**January 19, 2025 – 9:30 a.m.**

**Pastor Anson Veenstra**

**God Gathers Us Together**

**Prelude /Opening**

**Welcome**

**Prepare our Hearts for Worship**

**\* Call to Worship and Greeting**

**\* Opening Song:**

*“Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise”  
Psalter Hymnal 460*

**\*Opening Prayer**

**\*Song of Praise:**

*“All Hail the King of Heaven”*

**God Forgives and Renews**

**A Time of Confession:**

*Based on Heidelberg Catechism Lord’s Day 3*

**Prayer of Confession**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Song of Response:**

*“Just as I Am” (I Come Broken)*

\* Please rise in body or spirit

**Moment for Ministry**

**Congregational Prayer**

**God Speaks to Us**

**Children’s Message**

**Scripture:**

*Acts 4:1-22*

**Sermon:**

*Faith on Trial*

**We Respond to God’s Grace**

**Offering:**

General Fund

**Offertory Song:**

*“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”  
Psalter Hymnal 471:1-4*

**\* God’s Blessing**

**\* Closing Song**

*“May the Mind of Christ My Savior”  
Psalter Hymnal 291:1,2,4,5*

**Postlude**

## **Faith on Trial**

*A Listener's Guide: Acts 4:1-22*

**Accept the certainty of Persecution:**

**Principle 1:**

**John 15:19 – “If you belong to the world, it would love you...”**

**2 Tim. 3:12 -**

**“Everyone who wants to live a godly life will be persecuted”**

**Principle 2:**

**Luke 12:11,12 - Do not worry about how you will defend yourself**

**The Gospel will be Opposed**

**Sanhedrin:**

**The Sadducees:**

**The Pharisees:**

\* Please rise in body or spirit

**Who is ‘actually’ on Trial?**

**‘Bear Pressure...’**

**The Defense**

**The Defense becomes the Prosecution**

**Conclusion: The Verdict...**

