

The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord’s Day
September 12, 2021

Prelude

I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the roar of many waters and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder, crying out, “Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory!”
Revelation 19:6–7a

Welcome

God Calls Us to Worship Him

† Call to Worship Isaiah 6:1–3
Pastor: In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple.
People: Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew.
Pastor: And one called to another and said:
People: “Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!”

Δ† Hymn of Adoration
2 O Worship the King

† Salutation and Responsive Scriptures
Pastor: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit!
People: Amen!
Pastor: The Lord be with you!
People: And also with you!
Pastor: Our help is in the Name of the Lord!
People: Who made heaven and earth!
Pastor: The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken Spirit;
People: A broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

† Prayer of Thanksgiving and Praise

† The Lord’s Prayer Together as God’s People
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 Elder Matthew Rankin
Psalm 99 (p. 820–821, responsively as God’s people)

Δ† Gloria Patri
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

God Graciously Renews Us in Christ

We Confess Our Sin

Merciful Lord, we confess that with us there is an abundance of sin, but in you there is the fullness of righteousness and abundance of mercy. We are spiritually poor, but you are rich and in Jesus Christ came to be merciful to the poor. Strengthen our faith and trust in you. We are empty vessels that need to be filled; fill us. We are weak in faith; strengthen us. We are cold in love; warm us, and make our hearts fervent for you that our love may go out to one another and to our neighbors. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Individual Silent Confession of Sin

God Forgives Us in Christ 1 Peter 2:23–24
When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!

Interlude for Meditation

Δ† Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs
499 Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

† The Passing of the Peace
Pastor: May the peace of Christ be with you!
People: And also with you!
Pastor: Let us offer one another a sign of peace!

(Members of the congregation greet one another with a sign of friendship such as the ancient words which the church has used over the centuries, “The peace of Christ be with you,” and the response, “And also with you.”)

Morning Prayer Elder Matthew Rankin

We Give Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory
† Doxology
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below; praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

God Instructs Us With His Word

Scripture Reading Rev. Suber
1 Peter 1:22–25
Prayer for Illumination
Preaching of the Word
Hope For Living Faithfully During Trying Times

“The Power of the Gospel”

† Hymn of Response (as the Elders prepare the Table)
299 Look, Ye Saints, the Sight Is Glorious (1–2)

God Meets and Feeds Us at His Table

Invitation and the Words of Institution Rev. Suber
Prayer of Consecration
Distribution of the Elements The Elders
(Partake of the Bread individually and the Cup together. Wine is used for communion with a limited amount of grape juice in the center rings. Please note the bread in the center of the plate is gluten free.)

God Blesses Us and Sends Us Out

† Hymn of Dedication
299 Look, Ye Saints, the Sight Is Glorious (3–4)
† Benediction Rev. Suber
† Hymn of Dismissal
716 Sing to the Lord of Harvest (4)

To God the gracious Father, who made us very good, to Christ, who, when we wandered, restored us with his blood, and to the Holy Spirit, who doth upon us pour his blessed dews and sunshine, be praise forever more.

The Order of Divine Worship
concludes with your silent prayer of praise and thanksgiving.

† Indicates the congregation standing
Δ Ushers may seat latecomers