

The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord’s Day
September 19, 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** Psalm 19:1–4
Pastor: The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.
People: Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they display knowledge.
Pastor: There is no speech or language where their voice is not heard.
People: Their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world.

Δ† **Hymn of Adoration**
24 Vast the Immensity, Mirror of Majesty

† **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 Steve Campbell
Westminster Shorter Catechism Q’s 36–39 (p. 872, 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

O my Savior, help me. I am slow to learn, prone to forget, and weak to climb; I am in the foothills when I should be on the heights; I am pained by my graceless heart, my prayerless days, my poverty of love, my sloth in the heavenly race, my sullied conscience, my wasted hours, my unspent opportunities. I am blind while the light shines around me: take the scales from my eyes, grind to dust my heart of unbelief. Make it my highest joy to study you, meditate on you, gaze on you, sit like Mary at your feet, lean like John on your breast, appeal like Peter to your love, count like Paul all things but dung. I believe, help my unbelief. Amen.

Individual Silent Confession of Sin

God Forgives Us in Christ Romans 8:1–2
There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!

Interlude for Meditation

Δ† **Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs**
164 O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

† **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 Steve Campbell

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 2:1–3

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of the Word
Hope For Living Faithfully During Trying Times

“How to Love One Another”

† **Hymn of Response** (as the Elders prepare the Table)
628 Come, My Soul, Thy Suit Prepare (1–3)

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**
628 Come, My Soul, Thy Suit Prepare (4–6)
† **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