

# The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord's Day  
September 26, 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 104:1-3

Pastor: Praise the Lord, O my soul.

**People: O Lord my God, you are very great; you are clothed with splendor and majesty**

Pastor: He wraps himself in light as with a garment;

**People: he stretches out the heavens like a tent and lays the beams of his upper chambers on their waters.**

#### Δ† Hymn of Adoration

# 3 Give to Our God Immortal Praise

#### † 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 Jim Slocomb

Psalm 67 (p. 808, 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

***Our loving, heavenly Father, we plead the blood of Christ to pay for our debts of wrong. We accept His worthiness for our unworthiness, His sinlessness for our transgressions, His purity for our uncleanness, His sincerity for our guile, His truth for our deceits, His meekness for our pride, His constancy for our backslidings, His love for our enmity, His fullness for our emptiness, His faithfulness for our treachery, His obedience for our lawlessness, His glory for our shame, His devotedness for our waywardness, His holy life for our unchaste ways, His righteousness for our dead works, His death for our life. Amen.***

### Individual Silent Confession of Sin

#### God Forgives Us in Christ

Joel 2:12-13

"Even now," declares the LORD, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning." Rend your heart and not your garments. Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love, and he relents from sending calamity. In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!

### Interlude for Meditation

#### Δ† Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

# 111 This is My Father's World

#### † 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 Jim Slocomb

### 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 2:4-10

### Prayer for Illumination

### Preaching of the Word

Hope For Living Faithfully During Trying Times

**“Be Built Up Like Living Stones”**

† Hymn of Response (as the Elders prepare the Table)

# 286 Worship Christ, the Risen King! (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 Worship Christ, the Risen King! (4–5)

#### † 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 dew 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