

The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord’s Day
October 10, 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 100:1–3

Pastor: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

People: Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

Pastor: Know that the LORD is God.

People: It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Δ† Hymn of Adoration

1 All People That on Earth Do Dwell

† 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

The Apostles’ Creed (p. 845, together 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

All knowing and all powerful Heavenly Father, we are so thankful that we cannot get away from you even when we try. Though we have often strayed from you and brought darkness, pain and loneliness into our lives, yet you never leave or forsake us. In our sin we throw away far more than we ever gain. Forgive us and transform us, Holy Father. Disrupt our wayward ways; block our path when we run from you; make us thirsty and hungry for your love when we drink from the poisonous wells of sinful pleasures or when we greedily grasp our own selfish pursuits. Out of our weariness and want we return to you today. As the pleasures of your presence surpass every unruly passion, may we once again know the unspeakable joy of belonging to you now and forever. Amen.

Individual Silent Confession of Sin

God Forgives Us in Christ

Romans 8:31-34

31 What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? 32 He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? 33 Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. 34 Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!

Interlude for Meditation

Δ† Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

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† 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 2:13–17

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of the Word

Hope For Living Faithfully During Trying Times

“Live as Free People”

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

688 Have Thine Own Way, Lord! (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

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† Benediction

Rev. Suber

† Hymn of Dismissal

394 This Day at Thy Creating Word (5)

All praise to God the Father be, all praise, eternal Son, to thee, whom, with the Spirit, we adore forever and 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