

The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord’s Day
October 31, 2021

Prelude

For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.
Hebrews 4:12

Welcome

God Calls Us to Worship Him

† Call to WorshipPsalm 46:1–4

Pastor: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
People: Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,
Pastor: though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.
People: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

Δ† Hymn of Adoration# 92 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

† 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 PrayerTogether 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 FaithMr. Billy Hastings
Psalm 1
(p. 785, 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

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Judge of all men; we acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against Thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly Thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us; the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for the sake of Thy dear Son, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may hereafter serve and please Thee in newness of life. Amen.

Individual Silent Confession of Sin

God Forgives Us in ChristJoel 2:12–13

“Even now,” declares the Lord, “return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your hearts and not your garments.” Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster. *In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!*

Interlude for Meditation

Ordination and Installation of Zach Hagan as Deacon

Δ† Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs# 347 The Church’s One Foundation

† 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 PrayerRev. Aaron Suber

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 ReadingRev. Jon Dunning

Ephesians 3:7–13

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of the Word

“Falling with Style”

† Hymn of Response (as the Elders prepare the Table)
181 We Come, O Christ, to You (1–3)

God Meets and Feeds Us at His Table

Invitation and the Words of InstitutionRev. Suber

Prayer of Consecration

Distribution of the ElementsThe 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# 181 We Come, O Christ, to You (4–5)

† BenedictionRev. Dunning

† 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