

The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord's Day
November 21, 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 Worship Psalm 95:3–6

Pastor: For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods.

People: In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him.

Pastor: The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

People: Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker.

Δ† Hymn of Adoration
310 Rejoice, the Lord is 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 Jim Slocomb
Westminster Confession of Faith, Chapter 26 Section I
(p. 864, 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

O eternal God and merciful Father, we humble ourselves before Your great majesty against which we have frequently and grievously sinned. We acknowledge that we deserve nothing less than eternal death. We continually transgress Your commandments; failing to do what You have commanded us, and doing that which You have expressly forbidden. We acknowledge our waywardness, and are heartily sorry for all our sins. We confess to our humiliation and to the praise of Your mercy that our sins are innumerable, and that our debt is so great that we cannot even begin to repay. Nevertheless, O Gracious Father, we know that Your mercy toward those who turn to You is infinite; and so we take courage to call upon You from the depths of our hearts, trusting in our Mediator Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Forgive all our sins for Christ's sake. Amen.

Individual Silent Confession of Sin

God Forgives Us in Christ 2 Corinthians 5:17–19, 21

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. *In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!*

Interlude for Meditation

Δ† Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs
361 O Praise Ye the Lord

† 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. Ben Jensen

Acts 5:17–42

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of the Word

“The Fruits of Fearing the Lord”

† Hymn of Response (as the Elders prepare the Table)
420 At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing (1–2)

God Meets and Feeds Us at His Table

Invitation and the Words of Institution Rev. Jensen

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
420 At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing (3)

† Benediction Rev. Jensen

† 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