

The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord’s Day  
May 8, 2022

Prelude

“Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all.” — 1 Chronicles 29:11

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 Matthew Rankin

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

*Be gracious to us, O God, according to Your lovingkindness; according to the greatness of Your compassion blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity, and cleanse us from our sin. For we know our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us. Against You, You only, we have sinned, and done what is evil in Your sight, so that you are justified when You speak, and blameless when You judge. Behold, we were brought forth in iniquity, and in sin our mothers conceived us. Purify us with hyssop, and we shall be clean; Wash us, and we shall be whiter than snow. Create in us clean hearts, O God, and renew steadfast spirits within us. Cast us not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of Your Salvation for the sake of Christ our Savior. 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 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. Aaron Suber

2 Peter 1:19-21

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of the Word  
Hope For Living Faithfully During Trying Times

“A Lamp Shining In A Dark Plac”

† Hymn of Response  
# 478 I Love to Tell the Story (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  
# 478 I Love to Tell the Story (3-4)

† Benediction

† Hymn of Dismissal  
# 243 Praise the Savior Now and Ever (4)

*For his favor, praise forever unto God the Father sing; praise the Savior, praise him ever, Son of God, our Lord and King. Praise the Spirit, through Christ’s merit he doth us salvation bring.*

The Order of Divine Worship  
concludes with your silent prayer of praise and thanksgiving.

† Indicates the congregation standing  
Δ Ushers may seat latecomers