

The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord’s Day
March 19, 2023

Prelude

And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.” — Matthew 28:18–20

Welcome

God Calls Us to Worship Him

† Call to Worship Psalm 34:1–3

Pastor: I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
People: My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.
Pastor: Oh, magnify the LORD with me,
People: Let us exalt his name together!

Δ† Hymn of Adoration
168 I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

† 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 Steve Campbell
The Nicene Creed
(p. 846, 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

Lord, we come to You this morning to confess our sin. We acknowledge that we are sinners, without hope apart from Your grace to us in Jesus Christ. We confess that we have transgressed Your Law and have sinned against You. Forgive us Lord, for neglecting Your Word and prayer. Forgive us for our spiritual lukewarmness and lack of passion for the interests of Jesus. Our Father, we pray that You would cleanse us from our iniquity, and fill us with the love, joy, and peace, that comes from believing Your promises to us in the Gospel. This we ask in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

Individual Silent Confession of Sin

God Forgives Us in Christ Ephesians 2:8-10
For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them. In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven!

Interlude for Meditation

Δ† Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs
599 Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

† 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 Steve Campbell

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
Genesis 24:28–67

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of the Word
The Patriarchs: An Exposition of Genesis 12–36
“Trust in God Transforms Our Liv”

† Hymn of Response (as the Elders prepare the Table)
296 All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name! (1–4)

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
296 All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name! (5-6)
† Benediction Rev. Suber
† Hymn of Dismissal
286 Worship Christ, the Risen King! (1)

Rise, O church, and lift your voices, Christ has conquered death and hell. Sing as all the earth rejoices; resurrection anthems swell. Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the risen King!

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

† Indicates the congregation standing
Δ Ushers may seat latecomers