

The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord's Day
April 11, 2021

Prelude

*Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering and come before him!
Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth.*
1 Chronicles 16:29-30

Welcome

God Calls Us to Worship Him

† Call to Worship Psalm 63:1-4

Pastor: O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

People: So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory.

Pastor: Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.

People: So I will bless you as long as I live; in your name I will lift up my hands.

Δ† Hymn of Adoration

575 *Soldiers of Christ, Arise*

† 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

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

Gracious God, we confess that we have longed too much for the comforts of this world. We have loved the gifts more than the giver. In your mercy, help us to see that all the things we pine for are shadows, but you are substance; that they are quicksands, but you are mountain; that they are shifting, but you are anchor. We plead your forgiveness on the merits of Jesus Christ. Accept his worthiness for our unworthiness, his sinlessness for our transgressions, his fullness for our emptiness, his glory for our shame, his righteousness for our dead works, his death for our life. We pray in Jesus name. Amen.

Individual Silent Confession of Sin

God Forgives Us in Christ Zephaniah 3:17

The Lord your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing. *In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!*

Interlude for Meditation

Δ† Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

674 *I Need Thee Every Hour*

† 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 The Rev. Aaron J. Suber

Genesis 4:17-26

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of the Word

Gospel Foundations: A Study of Genesis 1-11

"The Fruit Of The Fall"

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

167 *When Morning Gilds the Skies* (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 together by lifting the clear wrapper, and the Cup by lifting the foil wrapper. Please note the bread is not gluten free.)

God Blesses Us and Sends Us Out

† Hymn of Dedication

167 *When Morning Gilds the Skies* (5-6)

† Benediction Rev. Suber

† Hymn of Dismissal

369 *Shout, for the Blessed Jesus Reigns* (4)

O may his holy church increase, his Word and Spirit still prevail, while angels celebrate his praise, and saints his growing glories hail.

Postlude

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

† Indicates the congregation standing

Δ Ushers may seat latecomers