

The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord's Day

January 14, 2018

Prelude

But the Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before Him.
Habakkuk 2:20

Welcome

God Calls Us to Worship Him

Choral Introit (11:00)

All men living are but mortal, yea, all flesh must fade as grass; only through death's gloomy portal to eternal life we pass. This frail body here must perish ere the heavenly joys it cherish, ere it gain the free reward for the ransomed of the Lord. Jesus for my sake descended my salvation to obtain; death and hell for me are ended, peace and hope are now my gain; yea, with joy I leave earth's sadness for the home of heavenly gladness where I shall forever see God, the Holy Trinity.

† Call to Worship

Psalm 113:1-4

Pastor: Praise the LORD! Praise, O servants of the LORD, praise the name of the LORD!

People: Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time forth and forevermore!

Pastor: From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the LORD is to be praised!

People: The LORD is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens!

Δ† Hymn of Adoration

53 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

† 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 which 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

The Rev. Nathan E. Currey

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 God! Eternal and Almighty Father, we acknowledge and confess before Your holy Majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in guilt and corruption, prone to do evil, unable of ourselves to do any good, who, by reason of our depravity, transgress without end Your holy commandments. Therefore, we have drawn upon ourselves, by Your just sentence, condemnation and death. But, Oh Lord! With heartfelt sorrow, we repent and deplore our offenses. We condemn ourselves and our evil ways, with true penitence, asking that Your grace may relieve our distress through Christ our Savior. Amen.

§ Individual Silent Confession of Sin

§ God Forgives Us in Christ

Isaiah 53:4-6

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned, every one, to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. *In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!*

Interlude for Meditation

Δ† Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

529 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

(11:00) Children ages 3 to Kdg. to Children's Church (look for the flag bearer)

† 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 Ben Vos

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. Currey

Romans 12:9-13

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of the Word

Christ Commissioned Unity

“Genuine Love Promotes Christ Commissioned Unity”

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

599 *Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us* (1-2)

God Meets and Feeds Us at His Table

Invitation and the Words of Institution

The Rev. Dr. Anthony J. Felich

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

599 *Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us* (3-4)

† Benediction

Rev. Currey

† 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.

Postlude

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

† Indicates the congregation standing

§ Indicates the congregation kneeling (if able)

Δ Ushers may seat latecomers