

The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord's Day

October 15, 2017

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)

Lord God, we all to Thee give praise, thanksgivings meet to Thee we raise, that angel hosts, Thou didst create, Thee serve, extol in blissful state. 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.

† Call to Worship

 Isaiah 60:1-3

Pastor: Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

People: For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples;

Pastor: but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you.

People: And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.

Δ† Hymn of Adoration

442 *Arise, O God*

† 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 Westminster Shorter Catechism Q/A's 23-26 (page 871, 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

All knowing and all powerful Heavenly Father, we are so thankful that we cannot get away from you even when we try. Though we have often strayed from you and brought darkness, pain and loneliness into our lives, yet you never leave or forsake us. In our sin we throw away far more than we ever gain. Forgive us and transform us, Holy Father. Disrupt our wayward ways; block our path when we run from you; make us thirsty and hungry for your love when we drink from the poisonous wells of sinful pleasures or when we greedily grasp our own selfish pursuits. Out of our weariness and want we return to you today. As the pleasures of your presence surpass every unruly passion, may we once again know the unspeakable joy of belonging to you now and forever. Amen.

§ Individual Silent Confession of Sin

§ God Forgives Us in Christ

 Isaiah 12:2

Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid; for the LORD GOD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation. *In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!*

Interlude for Meditation

Δ† Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

501 *Just As I Am, without One Plea*

(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 Mike Pent

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. Dr. Anthony J. Felich

Isaiah 60

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of the Word

The Lord Saves

“The Final Triumph of Grace”

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

369 *Shout, for the Blessed Jesus Reigns* (1-3)

God Meets and Feeds Us at His Table

Invitation and the Words of Institution

 Rev. Currey

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

369 *Shout, for the Blessed Jesus Reigns* (4-5)

† Benediction

 Rev. Felich

† Hymn of Dismissal

469 *How Sweet and Awesome is the Place* (6)

We long to see your churches full, that all the chosen race may, with one voice and heart and soul, sing your redeeming grace.

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