

The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord's Day

January 7, 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

† **Call to Worship** Psalm 68:1, 3-4

Pastor: God shall arise, his enemies shall be scattered; and those who hate him shall flee before him!

People: But the righteous shall be glad; they shall exult before God; they shall be jubilant with joy!

Pastor: Sing to God, sing praises to his name;

People: Lift up a song to him who rides through the deserts; his name is the LORD; exult before him!

Δ† **Hymn of Adoration**

103 *Holy God, We Praise Your Name*

† **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.

God Graciously Renews Us in Christ

We Confess Our Sin and Affirm Our Faith

Elder

Leader: God spake these words, and said: I am the Lord thy God who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

All: Thou shalt have no other gods before Me.

Thou shalt not make to thee any graven image.

Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain.

Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.

Honor thy father and thy mother.

Thou shalt do no murder.

Thou shalt not commit adultery.

Thou shalt not steal.

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

Thou shalt not covet.

Leader: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and write these Thy laws in our hearts, we beseech Thee.

Individual Silent Confession of Sin

God Forgives Us in Christ

John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. *In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!*

Interlude for Meditation

Δ† **Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs**

642 *Be Thou My Vision*

† **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.")

Evening Prayer

Elder Bob Albright

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

Luke 6:27-36

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of the Word

An Exposition of the Gospel of Luke

“Love Your Enemies?”

† **Hymn of Response and Preparation**

(Let the Elders come forward and prepare the Table)

644 *May the Mind of Christ My Savior* (1-2)

God Meets and Feeds Us at His Table

Invitation and the Words of Institution

Rev. 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 – Deacons' Fund Offering**

644 *May the Mind of Christ My Savior* (3-4)

† **Benediction**

Rev. Felich

† **Hymn of Dismissal**

103 *Holy God, We Praise Your Name* (4)

Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit, Three we name you; while in essence only One, undivided God we claim you, and adoring bend the knee, while we sing this mystery.

Postlude

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

† Indicates the congregation standing

Δ Ushers may seat latecomers