

The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord's Day
July 31, 2022

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)

Jesus, I will ponder now on your holy Passion; with your spirit me endow for such meditation. Grant that I in love and faith may the image cherish of your suffering, pain, and death that I may not perish. Jesus, Lord, my heart renew; help me bear my crosses, learning humbleness from you, peace despite my losses. May I give you love, love for love! That I may in heaven above sing your praise forever.

† Call to Worship Psalm 103:20-22

Pastor: Bless the LORD, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his word, obeying the voice of his word!

People: Bless the LORD, all his hosts, his ministers, who do his will!

Pastor: Bless the LORD, all his works, in all places of his dominion.

People: Bless the LORD, O my soul!

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 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 The Rev. Nathan E. Currey

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

Be gracious to us, O God, according to your lovingkindness; according to the greatness of your compassion blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity, and cleanse us from our sin. For we know our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us. Against you, you only, we have sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified when you speak, and blameless when you judge. Behold, we were brought forth in iniquity, and in sin our mothers conceived us. Purify us with hyssop, and we shall be clean; Wash us, and we shall be whiter than snow. Create in us clean hearts, O God, and renew steadfast spirits within us. Cast us not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of Your Salvation for the sake of Christ our Savior. Amen.

§ Individual Silent Confession of Sin

§ God Forgives Us in Christ Joel 2:12-13

"Even now," declares the Lord, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your hearts and not your garments." Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster. *In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!*

Interlude for Meditation

The Sacrament of Covenant Baptism (8:30 a.m.)

Brooklyn Strain

Δ† Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

295 *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

(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 Patrick Berch

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

Genesis 16

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of the Word

Promises and Patriarchs

"Self Reliance is Miserable"

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

598 *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* (1-2)

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 is gluten free.)

God Blesses Us and Sends Us Out

† Hymn of Dedication

598 *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* (3)

† Benediction Rev. Felich

† Hymn of Dismissal

162 *Of the Father's Love Begotten* (5)

Christ, to thee, with God the Father, and, O Holy Ghost to thee, hymn, and chant, and high thanksgiving, and unwearied praises be, honor, glory, and dominion, and eternal victory, evermore and evermore!

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