

# The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord's Day  
April 7, 2024

## 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)

*Jesu, only Light, no rose or lily white in their beauty dare with thy light compare. Shine Thou upon me, Lord, and lead me by thy Word. Strengthen, Lord, my faith with powers of thy grace; draw my heart above by thy heavenly love that I may dwell with thee throughout eternity.*

## † Call to Worship

Psalm 95:1-3, 6-7

Pastor: Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

**People: Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise! For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.**

Pastor: Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

**People: For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.**

## Δ† Hymn of Adoration

# 302 *Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

## † 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.*

## God Graciously Renews Us in Christ

## § We Confess Our Sin and Affirm Our Faith

The Rev. Nathan E. Currey

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

# 524 *Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ*

(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 Dykstra

## 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

Matthew 5:1-12

## Prayer for Illumination

## Preaching of the Word

The Messiah King

**"The Beatitudes (Part 2)"**

## † Hymn of Response and Preparation

(Let the Elders come forward and prepare the Table)

# 520 *Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness* (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 – Deacons' Fund Offering

# 520 *Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness* (3-5)

## † Benediction

Rev. Felich

## † Hymn of Dismissal

# 311 *Hail to the Lord's Anointed* (4)

*O'er every foe victorious, he on his throne shall rest, from age to age more glorious, all blessing and all blessed; the tide of time shall never his covenant remove, his name shall stand forever- that name to us is love.*

## 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