

The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord's Day
May 12, 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)

Father, oh, hear me, pardon and spare me, calm all my terrors, blot out my errors, that by thine eyes they may no more be scanned. Order my goings, direct all my doings; as it may please thee, retain or release me; all I commit to thy fatherly hand. Grievs of God's sending soon have an ending. clouds may be pouring, wind and wave roaring, sunshine will come when the tempest has past. Joys still increasing, and peace never ceasing, fountains that dry not, and roses that die not, blooming in Eden, await me at last.

† Call to Worship

Revelation 4:8-11

Pastor: And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and within, and day and night they never cease to say,

People: "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!"

Pastor: the twenty-four elders fall down before Him who is seated on the throne and worship Him who lives forever and ever. They cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

People: "Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created."

Δ† Hymn of Adoration

100 *Holy, Holy, Holy!*

† 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 Westminster Shorter Catechism Q/A's 88-91 (page 876, 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

Lord, Almighty God, do not allow your holy honor to be blasphemed because of our sins. For we have sinned in so many ways against you, by not obeying your eternal Word and by daily provoking your anger through ignorance, ingratitude, and grumbling. Therefore, our sins rightly deserve your punishment. But O Lord, remember your holy mercy and have compassion toward us through Christ. Grant us understanding, repentance, and correction for our sins by your Holy Spirit. Strengthen your people, their pastors and elders, that they may faithfully and steadfastly preach your Word and administer your sacraments. O Lord, do not withdraw your Spirit and Word from us, but give us true faith, patience, and endurance. Come and help your Church. Deliver it from all oppression, mockery, and tyranny. Strengthen, also, all who are of a weak and distressed spirit, and send us your peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

§ Individual Silent Confession of Sin

§ God Forgives Us in Christ

Ephesians 2:8-10

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them. *In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!*

Interlude for Meditation

The Sacrament of Covenant Baptism (8:30 AM)

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Δ† Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

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(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

Matthew 5:1-12

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of the Word

The Messiah King

"The Beatitudes (Part 6)"

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

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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

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† Benediction

Rev. Felich

† Hymn of Dismissal

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Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son, laud and honor to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One, One in might, and One in glory, while unending ages run.

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