

The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord's Day

August 10, 2025

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)

*Clear sun of righteousness shine on my path and show me the way to the Father.
In Him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike. The
Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.*

† Call to Worship

Psalm 89:1-4

Pastor: I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD forever; with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations.

People: Steadfast love will be built up forever; in the heavens you will establish your faithfulness.

Pastor: You have said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one; I have sworn to David my servant."

People: "I will establish your offspring forever, and build your throne for all generations."

Δ† Hymn of Adoration

99 *My Song Shall Forever Record*

1 My song forever shall record the tender mercies of the Lord; your faithfulness will I proclaim, and every age shall know your name.

2 I sing of mercies that endure, forever builded firm and sure, of faithfulness that never dies, established changeless in the skies.

3 Behold God's truth and grace displayed, for He has faithful cov'nant made, and He has sworn that David's son shall ever sit upon His throne:

4 "For him my mercy shall endure, my cov'nant made with him is sure; his throne and race I will maintain forever, while the heav'ns remain."

5 Almighty God, your lofty throne has justice for its cornerstone, and shining bright before your face are truth and love and boundless grace.

6 With blessing is the nation crowned whose people know the joyful sound; they in the light, O Lord, shall live, the light your face and favor give.

7 Your name with gladness they confess, exalted in your righteousness; their fame and might to you belong, for in your favor they are strong.

8 All glory unto God we yield, Jehovah is our help and shield; all praise and honor we will bring to Israel's Holy One, our King.

† 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. John Choi

The Nicene Creed (together as God's people)

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; And we believe one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

† 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

O Lord, all too often my heart is bitter and my mind is senseless. My perspective is clouded with love for the world and jealousy about the fleeting prosperity of unbelievers. Instead of hungering and thirsting for your righteousness, I find myself craving the sinful pleasures of the world. Jesus, you are my Savior and Lord. Please take hold of my hand and guide me by your Word and Spirit. Who do I have in heaven but you? Besides you, may I desire nothing else. My flesh and heart may fail, but you are my strength and my portion forever! O Lord, your nearness is my good; you are my refuge and I will tell of your mighty works all the days of my life, until you take me to glory. Amen.

§ Individual Silent Confession of Sin

§ God Forgives Us in Christ

Isaiah 61:10

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD; my soul shall exult in my God, for He has clothed me with the garments of salvation; He has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. *In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!*

Interlude for Meditation

Δ† Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

170 *Fairest Lord Jesus*

1 Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, Son of God and Son of Man! Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor, thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

2 Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands, robed in the blooming garb of spring: Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing.

3 Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight, and all the twinkling, starry host: Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels heav'n can boast.

4 Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and for evermore be thine.

(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 Bob Reymond

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 8:18-27

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of the Word

The Messiah King

“*Storm-Tossed Discipleship*”

† Hymn of Response

508 *Jesus, Lover of My Soul* (1-2)

1 Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to thy bosom fly,
while the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high:
hide me, O my Savior, hide, till the storm of life is past;
safe into the haven guide, O receive my soul at last!

2 Other refuge have I none, hangs my helpless soul on thee;
leave, ah! leave me not alone, still support and comfort me!
All my trust on thee is stayed, all my help from thee I bring;
cover my defenseless head with the shadow of thy wing.

God Meets and Feeds Us at His Table

Invitation and the Words of Institution

Rev. Choi

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

508 *Jesus, Lover of My Soul* (3-4)

3 Thou, O Christ, art all I want; more than all in thee I find:
raise the fallen, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is thy name; I am all unrighteousness;
false and full of sin I am, thou art full of truth and grace.

4 Plenteous grace with thee is found, grace to cover all my sin;
let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within:
thou of life the fountain art, freely let me take of thee;
spring thou up within my heart, rise to all eternity.

† Benediction

Rev. Felich

† Hymn of Dismissal

243 *Praise the Savior Now and Ever* (4)

*For His favor, praise forever unto God the Father sing; praise the Savior, praise
Him ever, Son of God, our Lord and King. Praise the Spirit; through Christ's
merit He doth us salvation bring.*

Postlude

“*Storm-Tossed Discipleship*”

Matthew 8:18-27

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Pastor Tony Felich

Matthew 8:18 Now when Jesus saw a crowd around him, he gave orders to go over to the other side. [19] And a scribe came up and said to him, “Teacher, I will follow you wherever you go.” [20] And Jesus said to him, “Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.” [21] Another of the disciples said to him, “Lord, let me first go and bury my father.” [22] And Jesus said to him, “Follow me, and leave the dead to bury their own dead.” [23] And when he got into the boat, his disciples followed him. [24] And behold, there arose a great storm on the sea, so that the boat was being swamped by the waves; but he was asleep. [25] And they went and woke him, saying, “Save us, Lord; we are perishing.” [26] And he said to them, “Why are you afraid, O you of little faith?” Then he rose and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm. [27] And the men marveled, saying, “What sort of man is this, that even winds and sea obey him?”

Jesus brings His disciples into storms to strengthen their weak faith.

• **The difference between true and false disciples (18-23)**

• **Storms teach us something about ourselves (24-26)**

• **Storms teach us about Jesus (26-27)**

† Indicates the congregation standing

§ Indicates the congregation kneeling (indoor)

Δ Ushers may seat latecomers