

The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord’s Day
August 16, 2026

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)

Triune God, be Thou our Stay; oh, let us perish never! Cleanse us from our sins, we pray, and grant us life forever. Keep us from the Evil One; uphold our faith most holy, grant us to trust Thee solely with humble hearts and lowly. Let us put God's armor on, with all true Christians running our heavenly race and shunning the devil's wiles and cunning. Amen, this be done; so sing we, Alleluia!

† Call to WorshipPsalm 146:1-2

Pastor: Praise the LORD!
People: Praise the LORD, O my soul!
Pastor: I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
People: I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Δ† Hymn of Adoration
57 Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul

† 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 PrayerTogether 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 FaithThe Rev. Dr. Anthony J. Felich

The Nicene Creed (p. 846, 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

Holy Father, forgive us. Though you should guide us, we inform ourselves. Though you should rule us, we control ourselves. Though you should fulfill us, we console ourselves. For we think your truth too high, your will too hard, your power to remote, your love too free. But they are not! And without them, we are of all people most miserable. Heal our confused mind with your word, heal our divided will with your law, heal our troubled conscience with your love, heal our anxious hearts with your presence, all for the sake of your Son, who loved us and gave Himself for us. Amen.

§ Individual Silent Confession of Sin

§ God Forgives Us in Christ2 Corinthians 5:17-19, 21

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to Himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. For our sake He made Him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God. *In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!*

Interlude for Meditation

Δ† Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

402 Abide with Me: Fast Falls the Eventide

(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 PrayerElder Todd Phillips

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 ReadingRev. Quinn Sloan

Nehemiah 6:1-7:4

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of the Word

“Enemies and Antidotes”

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

604 Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart (1-4)

God Meets and Feeds Us at His Table

Invitation and the Words of InstitutionRev. Felich

Prayer of Consecration

Distribution of the ElementsThe 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

604 Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart (5-6)

† BenedictionRev. Sloan

† Hymn of Dismissal

358 For All The Saints (6)

From earth’s wide bounds, from ocean’s farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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