

The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord’s Day
August 23, 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)

Sing to the Lord of harvest, sing songs of love and praise; with joyful hearts and voices your alleluias raise! By Him the rolling seasons in fruitful order move; sing to the Lord of harvest a song of joyful love.

† Call to Worship Psalm 95:1-2

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!

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.

† Affirmation of Faith The Rev. Nathan E. Currey
Psalm 23 (p. 791, 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
O Lord our God, we confess that we are often like the disciples on the troubled sea. We are quick to fear, slow to trust, and prone to take our eyes off Christ. We doubt Your power, forget Your promises, and fail to recognize that our Savior is always sufficient for our need. Forgive us, Father, not because our faith is strong, but because Christ is strong for us. We praise You that Jesus has done perfectly what we could never do. He obeyed in our place, bore our sins upon the cross, conquered death, and finished the work of our salvation. We have no righteousness but His and no hope apart from Him. Lord Jesus, take hold of us in mercy, strengthen our weak faith, and teach us again to worship You as the Son of God. Amen.

§ Individual Silent Confession of Sin

§ God Forgives Us in Christ 2 Samuel 22:2-3
The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold and my refuge, my savior; you save me from violence. In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!

Interlude for Meditation

Δ† Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs
521 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less
(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 Galen Mussman

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 14:22-36

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of the Word The Messiah King
“The Hand That Never Lets Go”

† Hymn of Response (as the Elders prepare the Table)
689 Be Still, My Soul (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
689 Be Still, My Soul (3-4)

† Benediction Rev. Felich

† 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