

The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord’s Day
August 30, 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)

O Lord, hear my prayer, have mercy in your kindness. Create in me a clean heart and renew a right spirit. Cast me not away from your presence and uphold me with a willing Spirit.

† Call to Worship Psalm 98:4-6

Pastor: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!
People: Break forth into joyous song and sing praises!
Pastor: Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody!
People: With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!

Δ† Hymn of Adoration # 103 Holy God, We Praise Your Name

† 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 #92-97 (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

O Lord, forgive us for our failure to keep your commandments. We confess that we often cleanse the outside of our lives, yet do nothing about the inside of our hearts. Outside we look righteous, moral and upright, yet inside we are filled with anger, lust, greed, lies, and idolatry. Outwardly we go to church, give money and read your Bible, yet inwardly we neglect justice, purity, love, encouraging speech and mercy. Lord, we should have done the latter without neglecting the others. We have thrust ourselves into the best positions, because we thought we deserved them, yet the truth is we are unworthy of any blessing. Have mercy on us for being like the Pharisees. May you cleanse us- all of us and all of who we are- from the inside out. Amen.

§ Individual Silent Confession of Sin

§ God Forgives Us in Christ 1 John 1:8-9

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!*

Interlude for Meditation

The Sacrament of Covenant Baptism (11:00 AM)

Bonnie Hutchins

Δ† Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

411 Shine Thou upon Us, Lord

(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 Scott Creecy

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 15:1-9

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of the Word The Messiah King

“When Man’s Word Replaces God’s Word”

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

139 Your Word Is Like a Garden, Lord (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

139 Your Word Is Like a Garden, Lord (3)

† Benediction Rev. Felich

† Hymn of Dismissal

103 Holy God, We Praise Your Name (4)

Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit, Three we name you; while in essence only One, undivided God we claim you, and adoring bend the knee, while we sing this mystery.

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