

The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord's Day
November 28, 2021

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)

Come, Thou bright and Morning Star, Light of Light without beginning; shine upon us from afar that we may be kept from sinning. Drive away by Thy clear light our dark night. Let Thy grace, like morning dew falling soft on barren places, comfort, quicken, and renew our dry souls and dying graces; bless Thy flock from Thy rich store evermore. Ah, Thou Day-spring from on high, grant that at Thy next appearing we who in the graves do lie may arise, Thy summons hearing, and rejoice in our new life, far from strife.

† Call to Worship Psalm 98:1-3

Pastor: Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things!

People: His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

Pastor: The LORD has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations. He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.

People: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Δ† Hymn of Adoration

203 *Hark! the Herald Angels 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

The Westminster Shorter Catechism Q/A's 22-26 (page 871, 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, we thank you for Christ our Savior. We accept His worthiness for our unworthiness, His sinlessness for our transgressions, His purity for our uncleanness, His sincerity for our guile, His truth for our deceits, His meekness for our pride, His constancy for our backslidings, His love for our enmity, His fullness for our emptiness, His faithfulness for our treachery, His obedience for our lawlessness, His glory for our shame, His devotedness for our waywardness, His holy life for our unchaste ways, His righteousness for our dead works, His death for our life. Amen.

§ Individual Silent Confession of Sin

§ God Forgives Us in Christ Titus 3:4-7

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life. *In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!*

Interlude for Meditation

Lighting of the First Advent Candle

David Scott Family (8:30 a.m.), Burwell Family (11:00 a.m.)

Δ† Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

226 *As with Gladness Men of Old*

(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 Mike Dykstra

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

Psalm 98 and John 1:6-13

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of the Word

Joy to the World!

"Receive the King!"

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

195 *Joy to the World!* (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 in the center of the plate is gluten free.)

God Blesses Us and Sends Us Out

† Hymn of Dedication

195 *Joy to the World!* (3-4)

† Benediction Rev. Felich

† Hymn of Dismissal

162 *Of the Father's Love Begotten* (5)

Christ, to thee, with God the Father, and, O Holy Ghost to thee, hymn and chant, and high thanksgiving, and unwearied praises be, honor, glory, and dominion, and eternal victory, evermore and evermore!

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