The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord's Day September 8, 2024

Prelude Romans 11:33–36

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! "For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?" "Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?" For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

Welcome

God Calls Us to Worship Him

† Call to Worship Psalm 87:1–3
Pastor: On the holy mount stands the city he founded;

People: the LORD loves the gates of Zion more than all the dwelling places of Jacob. Glorious things of you are spoken, O city of God.

Δ† Hymn of Adoration

55 To God Be the Glory

† 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

Rev. Jason Wegener

Apostles Creed (p. 845, together as God's people)

God Graciously Renews Us in Christ

We Confess Our Sin

Rev. Jason Wegener

O Lord, we have sinned and committed iniquity. We have acted wickedly and rebelled, even turning aside from Your commandments and ordinances. Moreover, we have not listened to Your servants, the prophets, who spoke in Your name to our rulers, our fathers, and all the people of the land. We have not obeyed Your voice, nor have we walked according to Your teachings. Indeed all of us have transgressed Your law and turned aside, not obeying Your voice. Righteousness belongs to You, O Lord, but to us, open shame because we have sinned against You. To You, O Lord, compassion and forgiveness. So now, O God, listen to our prayer and supplications, and for Your sake. O Lord, let Your face shine on Your sanctuary. O our God, incline Your ear and hear us. We do not present our supplications before You on account of our merit, but on account of Your great compassion and the merit of Jesus Christ our Savior. O Lord, hear and forgive! Amen.

Individual Silent Confession of Sin

God Forgives Us in Christ

1 Peter 2:24

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. *In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!*

Interlude for Meditation

Δ† Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

299 Look, Ye Saints, the Sight Is Glorious

† 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 Jim Slocomb

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

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Rev. Billy Hastings

Malachi 3:6–15

Preaching of the Word

Exposition from The Book of Malachi

"Giving God What Is His"

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

434 Lord, Thou Lov'st the Cheerful Giver (1–2)

God Meets and Feeds Us at His Table

Invitation and the Words of Institution

Rev. Jason Wegener

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

434 Lord, Thou Lov'st the Cheerful Giver (3–4)

† Benediction

Rev. Billy Hastings

† Hymn of Dismissal

34 The God of Abraham Praise (6)

The whole triumphant host gives thanks to God on high: "hail, Father, Son and Holy Ghost!" they ever cry. Hail, Abraham's God and mine! I join the heav'nly lays; all might and majesty are thine, and endless praise.

Postlude

The Order of Divine Worship concludes with your silent prayer of praise and thanksgiving.

† Indicates the congregation standing Δ Ushers may seat latecomers