

# The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord's Day  
January 5, 2025

## Prelude

*I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. — Romans 12:1*

## Welcome

### God Calls Us to Worship Him

† Call to Worship Psalm 19:1–4

Pastor: The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.

**People: Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge.**

Pastor: There is no speech, nor are there words, whose voice is not heard.

**People: Their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them he has set a tent for the sun,**

Δ† Hymn of Adoration

# 2 O Worship the King

† 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.*

# God Graciously Renews Us in Christ

We Confess Our Sin and Affirm Our Faith Elder Matthew Rankin

Leader: God spake these words, and said: I am the Lord thy God who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

**All: Thou shalt have no other gods before Me.**

**Thou shalt not make to thee any graven image.**

**Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain.**

**Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.**

**Honor thy father and thy mother.**

**Thou shalt do no murder.**

**Thou shalt not commit adultery.**

**Thou shalt not steal.**

**Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.**

**Thou shalt not covet.**

Leader: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

**People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and write these Thy laws in our hearts, we beseech Thee.**

Individual Silent Confession of Sin

God Forgives Us in Christ

John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. *In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!*

Interlude for Meditation

Δ† Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

# 353 I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

† 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 Matthew Rankin

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

Rev. Billy Hastings

Scripture Reading

Psalm 1

Preaching of the Word

“A Life Towards God”

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

# 420 At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing (1–2)

## God Meets and Feeds Us at His Table

Invitation and the Words of Institution

Rev. Hastings

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

# 420 At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing (3)

† Benediction

Rev. Hastings

† Hymn of Dismissal

# 730 Benediction (1)

*May the grace of Christ our Savior and the Father's boundless love, with the Holy Spirit's favor, rest upon us from above.*

The Order of Divine Worship

concludes with your silent prayer of praise and thanksgiving.

† Indicates the congregation standing

Δ Ushers may seat latecomers