

The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord’s Day  
March 9, 2025

Prelude

Remember this and stand firm, recall it to mind, you transgressors, remember the former things of old; for I am God, and there is no other;I am God and there is none like me, declaring the end from the beginning and from ancient times things not yet done, saying, ‘My counsel shall stand, and I will accomplish all my purpose,’ — Isaiah 46:8–10

Welcome

God Calls Us to Worship Him

† Call to Worship Psalm 93:1–2  
Pastor: The LORD reigns; he is robed in majesty; the LORD is robed; he has put on strength as his belt.  
People: Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved.  
Pastor: Your throne is established from of old;  
People: you are from everlasting.

Δ† Hymn of Adoration  
# 447 Christ for the World We 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 Rev. Billy Hastings  
Apostles’ Creed (p. 845, together 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 Rev. Billy Hastings  
Lord, though you should guide us, we inform ourselves; though you should rule us, we control ourselves; though you should fulfill us, we console ourselves. We think your truth too high, your will too hard, your power too remote, your love too free. But they are not! And without them, we are of all people most miserable. Please heal our confused minds with your word, heal our divided wills with your law, heal our troubled consciences with your love, heal our anxious hearts with your presence, all for the sake of your Son, who loved us and gave himself for us. Amen.

Individual Silent Confession of Sin

God Forgives Us in Christ Galatians 3:11–14  
Now it is evident that no one is justified before God by the law, for “The righteous shall live by faith.” But the law is not of faith, rather “The one who does them shall live by them.” Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us—for it is written, “Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree”— so that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we might receive the promised Spirit through faith. In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!

Interlude for Meditation

Δ† Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs  
# 549 By the Sea of Crystal  
Children ages 3 to Kdg. to Covenant Kids (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 Rev. Jason Wegener

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. Jason Wegener  
Genesis 41:38–57

Preaching of the Word  
Exposition from The Book of Genesis  
“Fruitfulness in the Land of Affliction”  
† Hymn of Response (as the Elders prepare the Table)  
# 261 What Wondrous Love Is This (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  
# 261 What Wondrous Love Is This (3)  
† Benediction Rev. Jason Wegener  
† Hymn of Dismissal  
# 30 Our God, Our Help in Ages Past (7)  
Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come;  
O be our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.

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

† Indicates the congregation standing  
Δ Ushers may seat latecomers