

The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord’s Day  
March 30, 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 48:1–3  
Pastor: Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised in the city of our God!  
People: His holy mountain, beautiful in elevation, is the joy of all the earth,  
Pastor: Mount Zion, in the far north, the city of the great King.  
People: Within her citadels God has made himself known as a fortress.

Δ† Hymn of Adoration  
# 64 God, the Lord, a King Remaineth

† 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  
The Westminster Shorter Catechism Q/A’s 37–38  
(p. 872, 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.

God Graciously Renews Us in Christ

We Confess Our Sin Rev. Billy Hastings  
Our Father, we are sinful and You are holy. We recognize that we have heard in Your Law difficult words. We know that we often offend You in thought, word and deed—not only by obvious violations, but by failing to conform to Your law’s demands, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. Our hearts are often filled with the love of the world; our minds are dark and are assailed by doubts; our wills are too frequently given to selfishness and our bodies to laziness and unrighteousness. By sinning against our neighbors, we have also sinned against You, in Whose image they were created. Lord have mercy; Christ have mercy; Lord have mercy on us. 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  
Δ† Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs  
# 296 All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!

† 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. Jason Wegener  
Genesis 44:1–34  
Preaching of the Word  
Exposition from The Book of Genesis

“A Final Test”

† Hymn of Response (as the Elders prepare the Table)  
# 252 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (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  
# 252 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (3–4)  
† 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