

The Divine Service of Covenant Renewal

on the Lord’s Day  
March 8, 2026

Prelude Acts 4:11–12

“This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”

Welcome

God Calls Us to Worship Him

† Call to Worship Psalm 5:7–8,12

Pastor: But I, through the abundance of your steadfast love, will enter your house.

People: I will bow down toward your holy temple in the fear of you.

Pastor: Lead me, O LORD, in your righteousness because of my enemies;

People: make your way straight before me.

Pastor: For you bless the righteous, O LORD;

People: you cover him with favor as with a shield.

Δ† Hymn of Adoration  
# 94 How Firm a Foundation

† 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 Elder Mattew Rankin

The Nicene Creed (p. 846, 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 Elder Matthew Rankin

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 Isaiah 53:3–5

He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not. Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!

Interlude for Meditation

Sacrament of Covenant Baptism Blaise Nahum Alexander Sisler  
Covenant child of Zakary and Samantha Sisler

Δ† Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs  
# 447 Christ for the World We Sing

† 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

Scripture Reading Rev. Jason Wegener  
Acts 5:1–16

Preaching of the Word  
Exposition from the Book of Acts

“Fear God”

† Hymn of Response (as the Elders prepare the Table)  
# 253 There is a Fountain Filled with Blood (1–3)

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  
# 253 There is a Fountain Filled with Blood (4–5)

† 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