



LORD'S DAY | October 20, 2024

A Service of Covenant Renewal

PRELUDE

Habakkuk 2:20: But the LORD is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him.
We encourage you to use the prelude as a time to prepare your heart and mind for worship.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LORD CALLS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

CALL TO WORSHIP: from Psalm 71
(Responsive - **Congregation in bold**)

*O God, from my youth you have taught me,
and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds.*

**So even to old age and gray hairs,
O God, do not forsake me,
until I proclaim your might to another generation,
your power to all those to come.**

*Your righteousness, O God,
reaches the high heavens.
You who have done great things,
O God, who is like you?*

**My lips will shout for joy,
when I sing praises to you;
my soul also, which you have redeemed.**

*Lift up your hearts!
We lift them up to the Lord!
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.
Let us worship the Triune God.*

OPENING HYMN: No. 80, "[Lord, with Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee](#)"

GREETING:

From where does our help come?
From the LORD, the creator of the heavens and the earth.

PRAYER/INVOCATION

THE LORD CLEANSSES US IN HIS SON

CALL TO REPENTANCE: Hebrews 4:12-13

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN: based on Daniel 9

“O Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, we have sinned and done wrong and acted wickedly and rebelled, turning aside from your commandments and rules. We have not listened to your servants the prophets, who spoke in your name. To you, O Lord, belongs righteousness, but to us open shame, as at this day, because of the treachery that we have committed against you. And now, O Lord our God, who brought your people out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and have made a name for yourself, as at this day, we have sinned, we have done wickedly. Now therefore, O our God, listen to the prayer of your servant and for your own sake, O my God, incline your ear and hear. For we do not present our pleas before you because of our righteousness, but because of your great mercy. O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive. O Lord, pay attention and act.” We pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.

SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION

PROMISE OF COMFORT AND FORGIVENESS: Romans 8:1-4

HYMN OF THANKSGIVING: No. 535, [“O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!”](#)

PROFESSION OF FAITH: Heidelberg Catechism, Questions 116-118
(Responsive - **Congregation in bold**)

Why is prayer necessary for Christians?

Because prayer is the most important part of the thankfulness which God requires of us. Moreover, God will give his grace and the Holy Spirit only to those who constantly and with heartfelt longing ask him for these gifts and thank him for them.

What belongs to a prayer which pleases God and is heard by him?

First, we must from the heart call upon the one true God only, who has revealed himself in his Word, for all that he has commanded us to pray. Second, we must thoroughly know our need and misery, so that we may humble ourselves before God. Third, we must rest on this firm foundation that, although we do not deserve it, God will certainly hear our prayer for the sake of Christ our Lord, as he has promised us in his Word.

What has God commanded us to ask of him?

All the things we need for body and soul, as included in the prayer which Christ our Lord himself taught us.

THE LORD CONSECRATES US WITH HIS WORD

THE GRACE OF GOD’S LAW: [Matthew 5:1-16](#)

GLORIA PATRI: [No. 734](#)

COLLECTION OF GOD’S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS

CONGREGATIONAL PETITIONS

OLD TESTAMENT: [Daniel 9](#)

NEW TESTAMENT: [Matthew 6:5-14](#)

SERMON: *The Process of Finding Lost Hope*

THE LORD COMMUNES WITH US AT HIS TABLE

MEANING AND FENCING OF THE TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

INSTITUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

BREAD: No. 599, "[Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us](#)"

WINE: No. 522, "[My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less](#)"

***CLOSING HYMN:** No. 384, "[Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing](#)"

THE LORD COMMISSIONS US WITH HIS BLESSING

***BENEDICTION**

***DOXOLOGY:** [No. 731](#)

POSTLUDE