

LORD'S DAY | April 21, 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: Psalm 67

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. 77, "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

*GREETING:

From where does our help come?

From the LORD, the creator of the heavens and the earth.

Receive God's Greeting. "To all who are loved by God and called to be his holy people: Grace and peace to you from God our Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. Amen."

*HYMN: No. 449, "We Rest on Thee"

*PRAYER/INVOCATION

THE LORD CLEANSES US IN HIS SON

CALL TO REPENTANCE: Psalm 31:1-5

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN:

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their sins. Restore those who repent, according to Your promises declared to us in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION

*PROMISE OF COMFORT AND FORGIVENESS: Romans 8:31-39

*HYMN OF THANKSGIVING: No. 465, "Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord"

*PROFESSION OF FAITH: The Nicene Creed (page 846 in red Trinity Hymnal)

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

THE LORD CONSECRATES US WITH HIS WORD

*THE GRACE OF GOD'S LAW: Matthew 7:15-27

*GLORIA PATRI: No. 734

COLLECTION OF GOD'S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS

CONGREGATIONAL PETITIONS

OLD TESTAMENT: <u>Isaiah 43:1-12</u>

NEW TESTAMENT: Matthew 28:1-10, 16-20

SERMON: "Move Out!": The King's Prescription

*CLOSING HYMN: No. 162, "Of the Father's Love Begotten"

THE LORD COMMISSIONS US WITH HIS BLESSING

*CLOSING PRAYER

*DOXOLOGY: No. 731

POSTLUDE