



LORD'S DAY | April 7, 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 145:1-3, 8-13

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. 53, "[Praise to the Lord, the Almighty](#)"

***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."

***PRAYER/INVOCATION**

THE LORD CLEANSSES US IN HIS SON

CALL TO REPENTANCE: James 2:10

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN:

Lord God, eternal and almighty Father: We acknowledge before your holy majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in guilt and in corruption, prone to do evil, unable of our own power to do good. Because of our sin, we endlessly violate your holy commandments. But, O Lord, with heartfelt sorrow we repent and turn away from all our offenses. We condemn ourselves and our evil ways, with true sorrow asking that your grace will relieve our distress. Have compassion on us, most gracious God, Father of mercies, for the sake of your son Jesus Christ our Lord. And in removing our guilt, also grant us daily increase of the grace of your Holy Spirit, and produce in us the fruits of holiness and of righteousness pleasing in your sight: Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(John Calvin)

SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION

***PROMISE OF COMFORT AND FORGIVENESS:**
from Romans 5 & Ephesians 1

***HYMN OF THANKSGIVING:** No. 306, "[Jesus, My Great High Priest](#)"

***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:** Ephesians 6:10-20

***GLORIA PATRI:** [No. 734](#)

COLLECTION OF GOD'S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS

CONGREGATIONAL PETITIONS

OLD TESTAMENT: [Proverbs 16:1-9](#)

NEW TESTAMENT: [James 4:1-3](#)

SERMON: *Spiritual Warfare*

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. 182, "[My Song Is Love Unknown](#)" (vv. 1-3)

WINE: No. 182, "[My Song Is Love Unknown](#)" (vv. 4-7)

***CLOSING HYMN:** No. 521, "[My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less](#)"

THE LORD COMMISSIONS US WITH HIS BLESSING

***BENEDICTION**

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

POSTLUDE