

LORD'S DAY | May 25, 2025

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 146:1-2

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. 97, "We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator"

GREETING:

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

PRAYER/INVOCATION

THE LORD CLEANSES US IN HIS SON

CALL TO REPENTANCE: <u>Joel 2:12-13</u>

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN:

Almighty God, we are unworthy to come into Your presence, because of our many sins. We do not deserve any grace or mercy from You, if You dealt with us as we deserve. We have sinned against You, O Lord, and we have offended You. And yet, O Lord, as we acknowledge our sins and offenses, so also do we acknowledge You to be a merciful God, a loving and favorable Father, to all who turn to You. And so we humbly ask You, for the sake of Christ Your Son, to show mercy to us, and forgive us all our offenses. Forgive the sins of our youth, and the sins of our old age. By Your Spirit, O God, take possession of our hearts, so that, not only the actions of our lives, but also the words of our mouths, and the smallest thought of our minds, may be guided and governed by You. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with You and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION

PROMISE OF COMFORT AND FORGIVENESS: Psalm 103:8-12

HYMN OF THANKSGIVING: No. 336, "Spirit, Strength of All the Weak"

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: Romans 12:9-21

GLORIA PATRI: No. 734

COLLECTION OF GOD'S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS

CONGREGATIONAL PETITIONS

OLD TESTAMENT: <u>Habakkuk 1:1-11</u>

NEW TESTAMENT: 2 Thessalonians 1:5-12

SERMON: Justice Delayed or Justice Designed?

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. 242, "Not All the Blood of Beasts"

WINE: No. 510, "Thou Hidden Source of Calm Repose"

CLOSING HYMN: No. 108, "Whate'er My God Ordains Is Right"

THE LORD COMMISSIONS US WITH HIS BLESSING

BENEDICTION

DOXOLOGY: No. 731

POSTLUDE