

LORD'S DAY | July 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 86:8-10 (responsive)

Leader: Among the gods there is none like you, O Lord; no deeds can compare with yours.

People: All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, O Lord; they will bring glory to your name.

All: For you are great and do marvelous deeds; you alone are God.

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. 43, "You Righteous, in the Lord Rejoice"

*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: from Isaiah 64 and Proverbs 28

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN: (responsive)

Leader: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. You shall have no other gods before me.

People: I acknowledge there is only one true God, and I trust Him alone, and look to him for Salvation.

All: We confess our sins of looking to friends, money, security, and self instead of worshiping God alone.

Leader: You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above, or on the earth beneath, or in the waters below.

People: I will worship God only as He commands in His word.

All: We confess our worship is often not from our hearts.

Leader: You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.

People: I will use the holy name of God with reverence, so that I may properly confess Him, pray to Him, and give Him praise in everything I do.

All: Forgive us for not holding up God's name as holy.

Leader: Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

People: I will set aside Sunday as a day for worship with God's people. In it I will learn what God's word teaches, participate in the sacraments, pray, and give back a portion of what God has given to me.

All: Forgive me for the ways in which I treat the Sabbath as any other day.

Leader: Honor your Father and your Mother.

People: I will honor, love, and serve my parents and all those in authority over me. I will obey and submit to them as is proper in the Lord.

All: Forgive us for the ways in which we fail to give honor to those in authority over us.

Leader: You shall not murder.

People: I will not insult, hate, or kill my neighbor, with thoughts, words, or deeds. I will put away any desire for revenge, and will not harm or endanger myself.

All: Forgive us for harboring hate and anger in our hearts.

Leader: You shall not commit adultery.

People: I will flee immorality in thought and in action.

All: Forgive us for the sins of our hearts, the sins of our eyes, and the sins of our actions.

Leader: You shall not steal.

People: I will treat my neighbors possessions with respect, working faithfully so that I may care for my own needs and have the ability to help those in need.

All: Forgive us for not working as we should and for taking what belongs to others.

Leader: You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

People: I will love the truth, speak it clearly, and will guard the good name of my neighbor.

All: Forgive us for gossip, slander, hedging the truth, white lies, and speaking what is clearly not true.

Leader: You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

People: I will be content with what God has given me, and will not seek after what God has given my neighbor.

All: Forgive us for discontent, for striving after worldly things, and for wanting when we have been given great riches in Jesus.

SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION

*PROMISE OF COMFORT AND FORGIVENESS: Romans 5:1-2

*HYMN OF THANKSGIVING: No. 334, "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

*PROFESSION OF FAITH: Westminster Shorter Catechism #4-7 (Responsive - Congregation in bold)

Question #4: What is God?

Answer: God is a Spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable, in his being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth.

Question #5: Are there more Gods than one?

Answer: There is but one only, the living and true God.

Question #6: How many persons are there in the Godhead?

Answer: There are three persons in the Godhead; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; and these three are one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory.

Question #7: What are the decrees of God?

Answer: The decrees of God are, his eternal purpose, according to the counsel of his will, whereby, for his own glory, he hath fore-ordained whatsoever comes to pass.

THE LORD CONSECRATES US WITH HIS WORD

*THE GRACE OF GOD'S LAW: <u>Deuteronomy 6:4-9</u> *GLORIA PATRI: <u>No. 734</u> COLLECTION OF GOD'S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS CONGREGATIONAL PETITIONS OLD TESTAMENT: <u>Daniel 2:31-48</u> NEW TESTAMENT: <u>John 12:27-36</u> SERMON: What Is Coming

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. 93, "The Tender Love a Father Has" WINE: No. 163, "At the Name of Jesus" *CLOSING HYMN: No. 498, "Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!"

THE LORD COMMISSIONS US WITH HIS BLESSING

*BENEDICTION *DOXOLOGY: <u>No. 731</u> POSTLUDE