

LORD'S DAY | July 28, 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 24 (Responsive - Congregation in bold)

Who may ascend the hill of the Lord? Who may stand in his holy place?

He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to an idol or swear by what is false.

He will receive blessing from the Lord and vindication from God his Savior.

Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek your face, O God of Jacob.

Lift up your heads, O you gates!

Be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?

The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.

Who is he, this King of glory?

The Lord Almighty— He is the King of glory.

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. 198, "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates!"

*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: James 1:19-22

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN:

Heavenly Father, save me entirely from sin. I am your child and I should bear your image. Enable me to recognize my death unto sin. When it tempts me, may I be deaf to its voice. Deliver me from the invasion as well as the dominion of sin. Grant me to walk as Christ walked, to live in the newness of his life, the life of love, the life of faith, the life of holiness. Forgive and kill these vices, have mercy on my unbelief, on my corrupt and wandering heart.

(taken from The Valley of Vision)

SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION

*PROMISE OF COMFORT AND FORGIVENESS: Joel 2:32, 3:16

*HYMN OF THANKSGIVING: No. 87, "The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want"

*PROFESSION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed (page 845 in red Trinity Hymnal)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE LORD CONSECRATES US WITH HIS WORD

*THE GRACE OF GOD'S LAW: Romans 1:18-32

*GLORIA PATRI: No. 734

COLLECTION OF GOD'S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS

CONGREGATIONAL PETITIONS

OLD TESTAMENT: Daniel 3

NEW TESTAMENT: 1 John 5:13-21

SERMON: The Cost of Christian Testimony

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. 428, "Not Worthy, Lord!"

WINE: No. 509, "Jesus, Lover of My Soul"

*CLOSING HYMN: No. 92, "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

THE LORD COMMISSIONS US WITH HIS BLESSING

*BENEDICTION

*DOXOLOGY: No. 731

POSTLUDE