



LORD'S DAY | September 22, 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 108:1-5
(Responsive - **Congregation in bold**)

*My heart is steadfast, O God;
I will sing and make music with all my soul.*

**Awake, harp and lyre!
I will awaken the dawn.
I will praise you, O Lord, among the nations;
I will sing of you among the peoples.**

*For great is your love, higher than the heavens;
your faithfulness reaches to the skies.*

**Be exalted, O God, above the heavens,
and let your glory be over all the earth.**

*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. 111, "[This Is My Father's World](#)"

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

***PRAYER/INVOCATION**

THE LORD CLEANSSES US IN HIS SON

CALL TO REPENTANCE: Matthew 11:28-30

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN:

Our God and Father, we have sinned times without number, and have been guilty of pride, unbelief, neglect, and failure to seek you in our daily lives. Our sins and shortcomings present us with a list of accusations, but we thank you that they will not stand against us, for all have been laid on Christ. Deliver us from every evil habit, every interest of former sins, everything that dims the brightness of your grace in us, everything that prevents us taking delight in you. We pray in Jesus Name, Amen.

SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION

***PROMISE OF COMFORT AND FORGIVENESS:** Romans 8:15-17

***HYMN OF THANKSGIVING:** No. 470, "[How Vast the Benefits Divine](#)"

***PROFESSION OF FAITH:** Heidelberg Catechism, Questions 116-118
(Responsive - **Congregation in bold**)

Why is prayer necessary for Christians?

Because prayer is the most important part of the thankfulness which God requires of us. Moreover, God will give his grace and the Holy Spirit only to those who constantly and with heartfelt longing ask him for these gifts and thank him for them.

What belongs to a prayer which pleases God and is heard by him?

First, we must from the heart call upon the one true God only, who has revealed himself in his Word, for all that he has commanded us to pray. Second, we must thoroughly know our need and misery, so that we may humble ourselves before God. Third, we must rest on this firm foundation that, although we do not deserve it, God will certainly hear our prayer for the sake of Christ our Lord, as he has promised us in his Word.

What has God commanded us to ask of him?

All the things we need for body and soul, as included in the prayer which Christ our Lord himself taught us.

THE LORD CONSECRATES US WITH HIS WORD

***THE GRACE OF GOD'S LAW:** [James 4:1-10](#)

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

COLLECTION OF GOD'S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS

CONGREGATIONAL PETITIONS

OLD TESTAMENT: [Daniel 6](#)

NEW TESTAMENT: [Acts 8:1-8](#)

SERMON: *Worship As Rebellion*

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. 422, "['Twas on That Night When Doomed to Know](#)"

WINE: No. 648, "[My Jesus, I Love Thee](#)"

*CLOSING HYMN: No. 94, "[How Firm a Foundation](#)"

THE LORD COMMISSIONS US WITH HIS BLESSING

*BENEDICTION

*DOXOLOGY: [No. 731](#)

POSTLUDE