



LORD'S DAY | September 7, 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 67](#)

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. 4, "[All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above](#)"

GREETING

PRAYER/INVOCATION

THE LORD CLEANSSES US IN HIS SON

CALL TO REPENTANCE: [Psalm 31:1-5](#)

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN:

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their sins. Restore those who repent, according to Your promises declared to us in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION

PROMISE OF COMFORT AND FORGIVENESS: [Romans 8:31-39](#)

HYMN OF THANKSGIVING: No. 349, "[O Thou Who the Shepherd of Israel Art](#)"

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: [Exodus 20:1-17](#)

GLORIA PATRI: [No. 734](#)

COLLECTION OF GOD'S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS

CONGREGATIONAL PETITIONS

OLD TESTAMENT: [1 Samuel 6:1-7:1](#)

NEW TESTAMENT: [Hebrews 10:19-22](#)

SERMON: *The Return of the Ark*

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. 251, "[Beneath the Cross of Jesus](#)"

WINE: No. 524, "[Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ](#)"

CLOSING HYMN: No. 679, "[Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus](#)"

THE LORD COMMISSIONS US WITH HIS BLESSING

BENEDICTION

DOXOLOGY: [No. 731](#)

POSTLUDE