

# Lord’s Day Worship

A DIVINE SERVICE OF COVENANT RENEWAL

FIFTH SUNDAY BEFORE EASTER

March 13, 2022

PRELUDE

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

*Quiet our minds, O God, and gladden our hearts; that, as we come together to worship you, we may draw near to your presence and find that this place is indeed the very gate of heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

SILENT PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

## GOD CALLS US

CALL TO WORSHIP

*Psalms 145:10-13*

†HYMN OF PRAISE

*“All Creatures of Our God and King”* . . . . . Selection 115

†SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF PRAISE

Pastor: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**People: And blessed be his Kingdom, now and forever!**

The LORD be with you!

**And also with you!** Ruth 2:4

Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!

**Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!** Ps. 34:8

For we have died, and our life is hidden with Christ in God.

**When the Christ who is our life appears,** Col. 3:3-4  
**we also will appear with him in glory. Alleluia!**

Let us pray together:

**Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son Jesus Christ, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed from their bondage and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen!**

## GOD CLEANSSES US

†PRAYER OF CONFESSION . . . . . PSALM 139:23-24

**Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.**

*+Silent Prayer of Confession +*

**Have mercy on me, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive me my sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold me by your Spirit that I may live and serve you in newness of life to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

†DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Now lift up your heads, and hear these words of comfort and good news from the Scriptures...

*“Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.”*

*Psalms 32:1-2*

Our heavenly Father, in his great mercy, has given his only Son to die for you, and for his sake forgives you all your sins; wherefore as Christ's minister and by his authority, I declare to you that all of your sins are forgiven, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen!**

†“Doxology” . . . . . Selection 733

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below: Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise him above, ye heavenly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

## GOD CONVERSES WITH US

FIRST READING . . . . . Psalm 72:1-14

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

SECOND READING . . . . . Isaiah 11:1-10

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

†GOSPEL READING . . . . . Matthew 28:16-20

This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ!

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

†HYMN OF PRAISE

*“Shout, for the Blessed Jesus Reigns” (Verses 1, 3-5).* . . . . . Selection 369

†We Respond by Confessing Our Faith . . . . . *Apostles' Creed*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.**

†“Gloria Patri” . . . . . Selection 735

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end. Amen, Amen.

SERMON TEXT . . . . . Psalm 9

*“Praying for Ukraine, the Church & the World”* . . . . . Pastor Josh Anderson

†PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE . . . . . PSALM 9

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart;

**I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.**

I will be glad and exult in you;

**I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.**

When my enemies turn back,

**They stumble and perish before your presence.**

For you have maintained my just cause;

**You have sat on the throne, giving righteous judgment.**

You have rebuked the nations; you have made the wicked perish;

**You have blotted out their name forever and ever.**

The enemy came to an end in everlasting ruins;

**Their cities you rooted out; the very memory of them has perished.**

But the LORD sits enthroned forever; he has established his throne for justice,

**And he judges the world with righteousness; he judges the peoples with uprightness.**

The Lord is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble.

**And those who know your name put their trust in you, for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek you.**

Sing praises to the LORD, who sits enthroned in Zion!

**Tell among the people his deeds!**

For he who avenges blood is mindful of them;

**He does not forget the cry of the afflicted.**

Be gracious to me, O LORD! See my affliction from those who hate me,

**O you who lift me up from the gates of death,**

That I may recount all your praises,

**That in the gates of the daughter of Zion I may rejoice in your salvation.**

The nations have sunk in the pit that they have made;

**In the net that they hid, their own foot has been caught.**

The LORD has made himself known; he has executed judgment;

**The wicked are snared in the work of their own hands.**

The wicked shall return to Sheol,

**All the nations that forget God.**

For the needy shall not always be forgotten,

**And the hope of the poor shall not perish forever.**

Arise, O LORD! Let not man prevail;

**Let the nations be judged before you!**

Put them in fear, O LORD!

**Let the nations know that they are but men!**

*Prayer for Ukraine, the Church, & the World*

## GOD COMMUNES WITH US

†COMMUNION HYMN

*“Hail to the Lord’s Anointed” (Psalm 72)* . . . . . Selection 311

†The Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to the Lord!**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise!**

Pastor: It is indeed right and good and a joyful thing, always and everywhere, to give thanks unto you, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore, in union with the saints who have gone before us and the whole church on earth, we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

All: *Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts; heaven and earth are full of your glory. Glory be to you, O Lord Most High!*

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

Prayer of Preparation & Faith

**We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your steadfast love, which endures forever. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord, whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Father, to partake of the body and blood of your son Jesus Christ, that we may grow into his likeness, and evermore abide in union with him, and he with us. Amen.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving for the Bread

Pastor: Alleluia, Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us:

All: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

‡Prayer of Thanksgiving for the Wine

Pastor: Let us confess the mystery of our faith:

All: **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!**

GOD COMMISSIONS US

†Prayer of Dedication

**All gracious God, who of your infinite love gave your only begotten son, Jesus Christ, to die for our sins and rise again for our justification, and have made us partakers of your divine nature through the gift of the Holy Spirit; accept the fruits of our labors which we now present to you in this offering and also our very selves as we stand before you; and hear us as we pray as your Son taught us: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen!**

†Hymn of Praise

*“Crown Him with Many Crowns”*. . . . . Selection 295

†Pastoral Benediction

Pastor: The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace.

People: **Amen!**

†Those who are able are invited to stand.

*Psalm 9*

*To the choirmaster: according to Muth-labben. A Psalm of David.*

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- [19] Arise, O LORD! Let not man prevail;  
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Let the nations know that they are but men! *Selah*

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