

Lord’s Day Worship

A DIVINE SERVICE OF COVENANT RENEWAL

ORDINARY TIME

August 21, 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

Psalm 62:5-7

†HYMN OF PRAISE

"Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim" Selection 165

†SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF PRAISE

Pastor: We gather to worship in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit!

People: Amen!

The LORD be with you!

And also with you! Ruth 2:4

The Lord of hosts is with us;

The God of Jacob is our fortress! Ps 46:7

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

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

Let us pray together:

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us the sons of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may be made pure even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen!

GOD CLEANSSES US

†PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God and Father, we confess to you, to one another, and before the whole company of heaven, that we have sinned; through our own fault, in thought, and word, and deed, and in what we have left undone.

+Silent Prayer of Confession +

For the sake of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and by the power of the Holy Spirit raise up to serve you in the newness of life, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

†DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

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

“For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.” John 6:40

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

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 62

Pastor: For God alone my soul waits in silence;

People: From him alone comes my salvation.

He alone is my rock and my salvation,

My fortress; I shall not be greatly shaken.

How long will all of you attack a man to batter him,

Like a leaning wall, a tottering fence?

They only plan to thrust him down from his high position.

They take pleasure in falsehood. They bless with their mouths, but inwardly they curse.

For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence,

For my hope is from him.

He only is my rock and my salvation,

My fortress; I shall not be shaken.

On God rests my salvation and my glory;

My mighty rock, my refuge is God.

Trust in him at all times, O people;

Pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us.

Those of low estate are but a breath; those of high estate are a delusion;

In the balances they go up; they are together lighter than a breath.

Put no trust in extortion; set no vain hopes on robbery;

If riches increase, set not your heart on them.

Once God has spoken; twice have I heard this:

That power belongs to God,

And that to you, O Lord, belongs steadfast love.

For you will render to a man according to his work.

EPISTLE READING 1 Peter 1:1-9

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

†GOSPEL READING Matthew 9:18-30a

This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ!

Praise be to you, O Christ!

†HYMN OF PRAISE

“How Firm a Foundation” Selection 94

†We Respond by Confessing Our Faith. *The Nicene Creed*

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made.

Who, for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us, under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and is seated on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. 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 62

“God Alone Is My Hope” Pastor Josh Anderson
LXII. Summer in the Psalter: Exposition of the Psalms

†PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Pr: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. For all people in their daily life and work;

P: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the gospel, and all who seek the truth.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation...

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life...

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name forever and ever.

We give you thanks for all those who have died in Christ and whose souls are now in your presence as their bodies wait for the resurrection...

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

All these prayers, and even the desires of our hearts that are known only by your Holy Spirit, we offer to you, our Heavenly Father;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen!

GOD COMMUNES WITH US

†”*We Rest on Thee*” Selection 449

†The Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you!

People: **And also with you!**

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 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!**

†”*O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!*” Selection 535

†Pastoral Benediction

Psalm 62

To the choirmaster: according to Jeduthun. A Psalm of David.

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