

Lord’s Day Worship

A DIVINE SERVICE OF COVENANT RENEWAL

SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE EASTER

March 26, 2023

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Quiet our minds, O God, and gladden our hearts; that, as we come together to worship you, we may, by your Spirit, be drawn 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 66:1-4

†HYMN OF PRAISE

"Come, Thou Almighty King" Selection 101

†SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF PRAISE

Pastor: We are called together 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

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 God, our heavenly Father, you are slow to anger and full of mercy, welcoming sinners who return to you with penitent hearts, receiving in your loving embrace all who come home to you. Seat us at your bountiful table of grace, that, with all your children, we may feast with delight on all that satisfies our hunger and thirst for righteousness; through your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen!

GOD CLEANSSES US

Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love;

According to your abundant mercy blot out our transgressions.

Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity,

And cleanse us from our sin! Ps. 51:1-2

†PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we confess to you that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed—not only by our outward transgressions, but also in our secret thoughts and desires, which we cannot understand, but which are all known unto you.

+Silent Prayer of Confession +

And so we flee for refuge to your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring your grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

†DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

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

"You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on you, because he trusts in you. Trust in the LORD forever, for the LORD God is an everlasting rock."

Isaiah 26:3-4

Pastor: 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 16

Pastor: Preserve me, O God,

People: For in you I take refuge.

I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord;

I have no good apart from you."

As for the saints in the land,

They are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight.

The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply;

Their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names on my lips.

The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup;

You hold my lot.

The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;

Indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.

I bless the LORD who gives me counsel;

In the night also my heart instructs me.

I have set the LORD always before me;

Because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;

My flesh also dwells secure.

For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,

Or let your holy one see corruption.

You make known to me the path of life;

In your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 2:22-36

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

†GOSPEL READING Matthew 6:19-21, 25-33

This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ!

Praise be to you, O Christ!

†HYMN OF PRAISE

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" Selection 164

†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

SERMON TEXT. Psalm 16

"Covenant Faithfulness & Blessing". Pastor Jeff Prager

†PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Pr: Let us adore the Father, the God of love; who created us; who every moment preserves and sustains us; who has loved us with an everlasting love, and has given us the light of the knowledge of his glory in the face of Jesus Christ...*Silent prayer*

P: We adore thee, O God, we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.

Let us glory in the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ; who, though he was rich, yet for our sakes became poor; who was tempted in every respect as we are, yet without sin; who went about healing and preaching the good news of the kingdom of God; who became obedient unto death, even death on the cross; who was dead and is alive now forevermore; who has opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers; who sits at the right hand of God in the glory of the Father; who shall come again as Judge and King...*Silent prayer*

Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ.

Let us rejoice in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of life, by whom we are born into the family of God, and has made us members of the body of Christ; whose witness confirms us; whose wisdom teaches us; whose power enables us; who is ready to do for us exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or desire...*Silent prayer*

All praise to thee, O Holy Spirit.

And now, for the special needs and concerns of this congregation...

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

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

†COMMUNION HYMN

"To You, O Lord, I Fly" (Psalm 16) Selection 692

†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!

†Hymn of Praise

"Lead On, O King Eternal" Selection 580

†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 16

A Miktam of David.

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- [2] I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord;
I have no good apart from you."
- [3] As for the saints in the land, they are the excellent ones,
in whom is all my delight.
- [4] The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply;
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because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.
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