

# Lord's Day Worship

A DIVINE SERVICE OF COVENANT RENEWAL

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 30, 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

**Pastor:** But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who have fallen asleep,

**People:** **That you may not grieve as others do who have no hope.**

For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again,

**Even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep!**

For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God.

**And the dead in Christ will rise first.**

And then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air,

**And so we will always be with the Lord. Therefore encourage one another with these words! Alleluia!**

1 Thess. 4:13-14, 16-18

### †HYMN OF PRAISE

*"Alleluia! Alleluia!"* ..... Selection 283

### †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

O death, where is your victory?

**O death, where is your sting?** 1 Cor 15:55

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

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

Let us pray together:

**Almighty God, grant us, with all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, the fullness of life in your eternal and everlasting kingdom, and, with all your saints, to receive the crown of life promised to all who share in the victory of your Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen!**

## GOD CLEANSSES US

Blessed be the Lord, who daily bears us up;

**God is our salvation.**

Our God is a God of salvation,

**And to God, the Lord, belong deliverances from death.**

Ps 68:19-20

### †PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*+Silent Prayer of Confession +*

**Have mercy on us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we 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...

*"Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us."*

Romans 8:34

**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!**

*All praise be Thine, O Risen Lord, from death to endless life restored:*

*Christ is risen! Alleluia!*

*To Father, Son, and Spirit be all power and praise eternally!*

*Christ is risen! O praise Him! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

## GOD CONVERSES WITH US

OLD TESTAMENT READING ..... Deuteronomy 5:16, 32-33

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

NEW TESTAMENT READING ..... Ephesians 6:1-9

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

†GOSPEL READING ..... Matthew 15:1-9

This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ!

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

### †HYMN OF PRAISE

*"Join All the Glorious Names"..... Selection 301*

†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

SERMON TEXT ..... Genesis 9:18-29

### PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD

*"The Sin of Ham"..... Pastor Josh Anderson*

XIII. Exposition of Genesis 4-12: The True History of the World

### †PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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

**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

### †COMMUNION HYMN

*"Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face"..... Selection 378*

### †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.**

*"The Lamb"* ..... The Choir

Please join in singing the refrain:



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

*"At the Name of Jesus"* ..... Selection 163

†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.

*Genesis 9:18-29*

[18] The sons of Noah who went forth from the ark were Shem, Ham, and Japheth. (Ham was the father of Canaan.) [19] These three were the sons of Noah, and from these the people of the whole earth were dispersed.

[20] Noah began to be a man of the soil, and he planted a vineyard. [21] He drank of the wine and became drunk and lay uncovered in his tent. [22] And Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father and told his two brothers outside. [23] Then Shem and Japheth took a garment, laid it on both their shoulders, and walked backward and covered the nakedness of their father. Their faces were turned backward, and they did not see their father's nakedness. [24] When Noah awoke from his wine and knew what his youngest son had done to him, [25] he said,

“Cursed be Canaan;  
a servant of servants shall he be to his brothers.”

[26] He also said,

“Blessed be the LORD, the God of Shem;  
and let Canaan be his servant.  
[27] May God enlarge Japheth,  
and let him dwell in the tents of Shem,  
and let Canaan be his servant.”

[28] After the flood Noah lived 350 years. [29] All the days of Noah were 950 years, and he died.



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