LORD's Day Service of Worship and Covenant Renewal - August 4, 2024

Preparation for Worship: Isaiah 41:10-14

Entrance - God Calls Us into His presence; we respond with praise

* Entrance Hymn Doxology

* Call to Worship Psalm 138

Minister: Grace, mercy and peace to you, from God the Father, Son and Holy

Spirit.

Congregation: Amen!

Minister: Our help is in the Name of the Lord!

Congregation: Who made heaven and earth!

Minister: O Lord, open our lips,

Congregation: And our mouth shall show forth Your praise.

* Hymn Psalter, #148

From Heav'n O Praise the LORD

Purification - God Cleanses Us; we confess our sins to Him

Reading of the Law

And God spoke all these words, saying: I am the LORD your God, Who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

You shall have no other gods before Me. You shall not make for yourself a carved image. You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Honor your father and mother, that your days may be long upon the land which the LORD your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet.

Call to Confession Philippians 2:4-5

Response to God's Law Trinity Hymnal, #iv Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us

Let us kneel before the Lord our God and humbly confess our sins unto Him.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against You, opposing Your will in our lives and breaking Your law. We have denied Your goodness in our thoughts. We get jealous and envy others. We do not love others as we love ourselves, and in so doing, we fail to love You, the Creator of all. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, and the evil we have done. Father, forgive us, and in Your mercy change our hearts and put our sins out of Your sight. We ask this in the name of our Lord Jesus, Who bore our sins on the cross, that we may abide in Your love and serve only Your will. Amen!

Prayer Response Trinity Hymnal, #xiv
Hear Our Prayer, O Lord

Assurance of Pardon Philippians 3:9-10

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of His Holy Spirit.

Thanks be to God! Our sins are forgiven in Jesus' name. AMEN!

Ascension - God Consecrates us by His Word; we listen & offer ourselves to Him

Minister: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!

Congregation: We lift them up to the Lord!

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

Congregation: It is proper and right to do so!

Minister: Truly it is proper, right and our bound duty, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto You, O Lord, holy Father, Almighty, everlasting God, Creator of the light and source of life, Who has made us in Your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, and with the Church on earth, we praise and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You, singing:

* Sanctus Songbook, #79

Hymn Psalter, #39B

And Now, O Lord, What Wait I Longer For?

Let us pray: Let Your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend Your Church; and because Your Bride cannot continue in safety without Your help, protect and govern Your people always by Your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen!

Old Testament Lesson Job 18-19

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Epistle Lesson Philippians 3:17-21

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

* Gospel Lesson Luke 24:32, 36-43

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon "Bildad's Second Speech and Job's Answer:

I know that my Redeemer lives..."

* Hymn Songbook, #32
I Know That My Redeemer Lives

* Dedication of Tithes & Offerings

Prayers of the Church Petitions & the Lord's Prayer

Peace - God Communes with us; we eat with joy at His Table

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

We Confess Our Faith in the Triune, Incarnate God

* Hymn Songbook, #131 Who Shall the Lord's Elect Condemn?

Dismissal - God Commissions & Blesses Us; we go out to serve Him

* The Lord's Commission of Us Philippians 3:13-14

* We Receive God's Blessing, His Good Word to Us 1 Thessalonians 5:23

* We bless the Lord, lifting hands and voices to Him Psalter, #72D

Blessed Be the LORD

Announcements

LORD'S SUPPER

We observe Communion, or the Lord's Supper, weekly in our midst.

We believe it is worthily received by those who:

- 1. Have been baptized in the name of the Triune God (Matt 28:18-20);
- 2. Do profess faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel (Ro 10:9-10);
- 3. Do live in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit and endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Jesus Christ (Gal 5:16-26); and
- 4. Are communing members in good standing in an evangelical church (1 Cor 10:1-6)

If these things are all true, we rejoice with you and invite you to commune with us at the Lord's Supper. If any of these are not true of you, we ask that you refrain. We invite you to speak to one of the Elders if you have doubts or questions regarding any of these beliefs, or if you are interested in learning more about Trinity.

Though collections are not ordinarily taken during a service, giving is a vital element of worship. Tithes and offerings may be placed in the wood box on the rear wall of the sanctuary.

(2 Corinthians 9:6-11)



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The Tree of Life

In the Bible, trees are given to man for food and medicine as well as beauty and shade. Trees are an emblem of God's glory in the world and so are fitting symbols of God's people. We can flourish "like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither" (Psalm 1:3). The growth of the kingdom is likened to a rising, spreading tree (Ezek. 17; Matt. 13:31-32). Adam's fall severed us from access to the Tree of Life, but united to Christ we again have access to its life-giving fruit (Rev. 22:2). The Tree of Life is a symbol of Jesus. The time between Pentecost and Advent is called Trinity Season. The color green is used to symbolize life, growth, and the maturation of Jesus' kingdom.