

LORD's Day Service of Worship and Covenant Renewal – September 1, 2024

Preparation for Worship: *Malachi 3:2-3; Revelation 3:18*

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

- * *Entrance Hymn* *Gloria Patri*
- * *Call to Worship* Psalm 67
- 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* Songbook, #58 (Psalm 67)
O God, Show Mercy to Us

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

- Call to Confession* James 1:2-3, 27
- Hymn of Confession* Trinity Hymnal, #409
Before Thee, God, Who Knowest All

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

Eternal God and our heavenly Father, in You we live and move and have our being; Do not hide Your face from us because of our sins, but have compassion on us, and subdue our iniquities. Cleanse us from all our offenses; deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires. Grant that we may draw near to You, in lowliness and meekness. Confessing our sins, we confide in Your grace and mercy through Christ, Your Son, our Lord and Savior. Amen! *(Silent prayer)*

Assurance of Pardon 1 John 1:9

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.**
- Minister: 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* Songbook, #14
Be Thou My Vision

Let us pray: **Lord of all power and might, the Author and Giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of Your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; 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 22-24
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

- Epistle Lesson* 1 Peter 1:6-9, 15-19, 22-23
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

- * *Gospel Lesson* Matthew 25:31-46
The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon *“One of the least of these My brethren – more precious than gold that perishes: Job Answers Eliphaz's Third Speech”*

- * *Hymn* Psalter, #34B
O Come, My Sons, Give Heed to Me

* *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, #130
When the Enemy Comes In

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

- * *The Lord's Commission of Us* Psalm 34:1, 3, 14

* We Receive God's Blessing, His Good Word to Us

Numbers 6:24-26

* 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.