

## Sunday Covenant Renewal Worship

January 5, 2025

### Prayer for Silent Meditation

We encourage you to use the moments preceding the commencement of holy worship in quiet meditation and preparation. Toward that end we offer the prayer below as food for thought.

O God, deliver us from earthly desires that no sin may reign in us, but that we may with free spirits serve you, our only Lord; through Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Gelasian Sacramentary, 5th C*

### \* Apostolic Salutation

*\* Congregation Standing*

Minister:

*The Lord be with your spirit.*

People:

*And grace be with you.*

### \* Call to Worship

*Psalm 16, #788*

### \* Hymn How Lovely Shines the Morning Star! #515

### \* The Law of God

*Exodus 4:18-31*

### Prayer of Confession

*Kneel (as able)*

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men, we acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness which we from time to time most grievously have committed by thought, word, and deed, against your divine majesty, provoking most justly your wrath and indignation against us: we do earnestly repent and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. The remembrance of them is grievous to us; the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father, for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake. Forgive us all that is past and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. *The First English Prayer Book, 1549*

### \* Assurance of Pardon

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

*Colossians 1:13-14*

Minister:

*Herein is the pardon of the Savior.*

People:

*Thanks be to You, O Lord.*

### Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

### \* Hymn

Shine Thine Upon Us, Lord, #411

### \* Hymn

Baptized Into Your Name Most Holy, #415

### \* The Word of God

Old Testament Lesson

*Ezekiel 37:1-14*

New Testament Lesson

*Colossians 2:1-15*

Minister:

*This is the Word of the Lord.*

People:

*Thanks be to You, O God.*

### \* Gloria Patri

*#735*

### Prayer for the Sermon

Deal bountifully with your servants that we may live and keep your word. Open our eyes that we may behold wondrous things out of your law. We are but sojourners on earth; hide not your commandments from us! Our souls are consumed with longing for your rules at all times. Amen.

*Adapted from Psalm 119:17-20*

### Sermon

Covenant Transition

*Colossians 2:11-12*

## Response to the Word of God

### The Lord's Supper

Instruction on the Supper

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord Jesus Christ, our only comfort, our hope, our righteousness, our strength and sure defense, kindle in our hearts a desire, hunger, and thirst for the eternal food of the soul, your true body and blood, that we may gladly and frequently receive the Supper in bread and wine, confessing our sins, relying on you to strengthen and assure us until life's journey ends and we come to you in our heavenly homeland to see you face to face and dwell with you forevermore. Amen. *Wilhelm Löhe 1808-1872, Lutheran pastor, a founding member of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod*

### Giving of the Body and Blood of Christ

Minister:

*He is risen!*

People:

*He is risen, indeed!*

### \* Hymn

Psalm 16B

### Prayer for Alms and Offerings

\* We Give Thee But Thine Own

*#432*

### \* Our Mutual Confession of Faith

The Heidelberg Catechism, Question 74

Q: Are infants also to be baptized?

A: Yes, for since they, as well as the adult, are included in the covenant and church of God; and since redemption from sin by the blood of Christ, and the Holy Ghost, the author of faith, is promised to them no less than to the adult; they must therefore by baptism, as a sign of the covenant, be also admitted into the Christian church, and be distinguished from the children of unbelievers as was done in the old covenant or testament by circumcision, instituted in the new covenant.

\* Doxology

*#731*

\* Benediction

\* Threefold Amen

*#740*

## Sermon Outline

### Covenant Transition

*Colossians 2:11-12*

I. Covenant Transition: The Transition from Circumcision to Baptism Continues to Represent New Life as a Cutting Off of the Dead Nature. *v11*

II. Covenant Transition: The Transition from Circumcision to Baptism Now Also Represents New Life as a Burial and Resurrection. *v12*

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**This is what the LORD says  
Stand at the crossroads and look  
ask for the ancient paths  
ask where the good way is and walk in it  
and you will find rest for your souls**  
*Jeremiah 6:16*

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