

Sunday Covenant Renewal Worship

14 September 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, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you. Bring the nations into your fold. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon all flesh. Hasten the coming of your kingdom through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. *The Book of Common Prayer, 1979*

* Apostolic Salutation ** Congregation Standing*

Minister: *The Lord be with your spirit.*

People: *And grace be with you.*

* Call to Worship *Psalm 118, #828-9*

* Hymn All Things Bright and Beautiful, #120

* The Law of God *Numbers 12:1-9*

Prayer of Confession *Kneel (as able)*

O God, guide of our youth, light of the blind, teacher of the ignorant: You enlighten the simple, lead the wanderer back into the right path, and draw praise from the mouths of children. In the light of these truths, we confess our proneness to sin and willful disobedience, knowing that the penitent fully framed in accounts made complete will find forgiveness made complete in the Savior, our Lord Jesus Christ. Teach us your ways and draw us away from the paths of the world. Tarry not, so that we may make haste; we give you humble thanks for no longer leaving us in the world and in sin. Our Savior and God, by pouring your grace into our souls, make our hearts desire you, and in desiring, seek you, and in seeking, find you, and in finding, love you more. Amen. *Pierre Jurieu AD 1637-1713, French Huguenot Pastor*

* 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 O Worship the King, #2

* Hymn Great is Thy Faithfulness, #32

* The Word of God

Old Testament Lesson *Nehemiah 9:1-8*

New Testament Lesson *Colossians 1:24-29*

Minister: *This is the Word of the Lord.*

People: *Thanks be to You, O God.*

* Gloria Patri *#735*

Prayer for the Sermon

O God, whose name is holy of itself, we pray that it may be hallowed also by us. To this end help us, O blessed Father in heaven, that your Word may be taught in truth and purity and that we, as your children, may lead holy lives in accordance with it. Through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen. *Martin Luther, AD 1483 - 1546*

Sermon

Steward *Ephesians 3:1-6*

Response to the Word of God

The Lord's Supper

Instruction on the Supper

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Merciful God and Father, whose grace abounds beyond all our sins, we pray that in this Supper, in which we commemorate the death of your dear Son, you will so work in our hearts that we may yield ourselves ever more fully to Jesus Christ. May our contrite hearts, through the power of the Holy Spirit, be nourished and refreshed with His body and blood in the bread and wine, yea, with Him, true God and man, the only heavenly bread, so that we may no longer live in our sins, but he in us and we in him. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Psalter Hymnal of the Christian Reformed Church, AD 1959

Giving of the Body and Blood of Christ

Minister: *He is risen!*

People: *He is risen, indeed!*

* Hymn Psalm 119X

Prayer for Alms and Offerings

* We Give Thee But Thine Own *#432*

* Our Mutual Confession of Faith

The Heidelberg Catechism

Q. 54: What believest thou concerning the "holy catholic Church" of Christ?

A: That the Son of God from the beginning to the end of the world, gathers, defends, and preserves to Himself by His Spirit and Word, out of the whole human race, a Church chosen to everlasting life, agreeing in true faith; and that I am and for ever shall remain, a living member thereof.

* Doxology *#731*

* Benediction

* Threefold Amen *#740*

Sermon Outline

Steward

Ephesians 3:1-6

- I. Steward: As a Steward of God's Grace to Us Gentiles, The Apostle Paul Had Revealed to Him the Mystery of the Church. *v1-3*

- II. Steward: As Stewards of God's Grace to Us Gentiles, The Apostles - Paul in Particular - Have Had Made Known That Previously Hidden. *v4-5*

- III. Steward: As a Steward of God's Grace to Us Gentiles, The Apostle Paul Outlines a Three Fold Component to the Mystery. *v6*

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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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