

Sunday Covenant Renewal Worship

30 November 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, who has folded back the mantle of the night, so clothe us in the golden glory of the day, chase from our hearts all gloomy thoughts, and make us glad with the brightness of hope, that we may effectively aspire to thus far un-won virtues. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Ancient Collect, circa 7th C.

* First Sunday in Advent *Isaiah 2:1-5*

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility. So that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal. Through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Book of Common Prayer, 1975

* Apostolic Salutation ** Congregation Standing*

Minister: *The Lord be with your spirit.*

People: *And grace be with you.*

* Call to Worship *Psalms 122, #831*

* Hymn The Son of God Goes Forth to War, see insert

* The Law of God *Genesis 6:1-8*

Prayer of Confession *Kneel (as able)*

O God, we confess that our hearts are vain hearts, vagabond and unstable in all their ways. O most blessed Spirit, fill full the hearts of your faithful people. Without your influence there is nothing in man which is not weakness and guilt. Cleanse that which is sordid; refresh that which is dried up; heal that which is wounded; bend that which is stubborn; warm that which is cold; guide that which is wandering, and grant to your servants – trusting in you – the merit of your

righteousness. Grant us salvation and joy, hearing our prayer in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Bernard of Clairvaux, AD 1090 - 1153

* Assurance of Pardon

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:9*

Minister: *Herein is the pardon of the Savior.*

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

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

* Hymn All Praise to Thee, Eternal Lord, #219

* Hymn Amazing Grace, #460

* The Word of God

Old Testament Lesson *1 Chronicles 20:4-8*

New Testament Lesson *Galatians 3:15-18*

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

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

* Gloria Patri *#735*

Prayer for the Sermon

Almighty God, we pray you, sow the seed of your Word in our hearts and send down upon us your heavenly grace, that we may bring forth the fruits of the Spirit and at the great day of harvest may be gathered by your holy angels into your garner. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Canterbury Convocation, AD 1862

Sermon

Christ to Come in the Covenants of the Old

Testament: The Covenant of Grace *Genesis 3:15*

Response to the Word of God

The Lord's Supper

Instruction on the Supper

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord Jesus Christ, we come to your banquet table in fear and trembling; we dare not rely on our own worth but only on your goodness and mercy. Gracious God of majesty and awe, we seek your protection and look for your healing. Our Lord Jesus Christ, look upon us with mercy and hear our prayer, for we trust in you. Praise to you, saving sacrifice, offered on the wood of the cross for us. Praise to the noble and precious blood flowing from the wounds of our crucified Savior, washing away the sins of the whole world. Remember, O Lord, your creatures, whom you have redeemed with your blood. May your body and blood which we here receive as emblems in bread and wine, be for us the remission of sins.

Adapted from St. Ambrose of Milan, AD 339-397

Giving of the Body and Blood of Christ

Minister: *He is risen!*

People: *He is risen, indeed!*

* Hymn *Psalm 21B*

Prayer for Alms and Offerings

* We Give Thee But Thine Own *#432*

* Our Mutual Confession of Faith

The Westminster Shorter Catechism, Q. 20 *#870*

* Doxology *#731*

* Benediction

* Threefold Amen *#740*

Sermon Outline

Christ to Come in the Covenants of the Old Testament: The Covenant of Grace

Genesis 3:15

I. The Covenant of Grace: In Order That There Be Redemption of a Now Fallen Seed of Man, God Has Ordained a Bitter Contest Between the Respective Seeds of Satan and Eve. *v15a*

II. The Covenant of Grace: In Order That There Be Redemption of a Now Fallen Seed of Man, God Has Ordained the Bitter Death of a Seed From Each, One Fatal, One Final. *v15b*

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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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