



THE LORD'S DAY  
A SERVICE OF WORSHIP  
AND COVENANT RENEWAL

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The Lord's Day, August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011

## ENTRANCE

Prelude

† Salutation

Leader: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: **And also with you.**

Leader: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Congregation: **And blessed be God's kingdom forever and ever.**

† Call to Worship: Psalm 67:1-7

† Entrance Hymn: Cantus 192, Psalm 148, *From Heav'n O Praise the LORD*

† Prayer (Collect for purity)

† Song of Praise: *Doxology*

## PURIFICATION

Reading of the Law

Leader: 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.

Congregation: **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.**

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on us sinners.

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† Congregation stands

**Call to Confession:** Proverbs 28:13-14; James 4:6-7

## **Corporate Confession**

*The people are invited to kneel if they are able.*

**Almighty and most merciful Father; we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed; that we have not loved You with all our heart and soul, with all our mind and strength; and that we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have strayed from your righteous ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the desires of our own hearts. We have left undone the things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. We ask of You, O Lord, to forgive what we have been, to help us to amend what we are, and of Your mercy to direct what we shall be; So that we may hereafter walk in the way of your commandments, and do those things which are pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.**

† **Assurance of Forgiveness:** Micah 7:18-20

## **ASCENSION**

† **Sursum Corda ('Lift up your hearts')**

Leader: Lift up your hearts!

**Congregation: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**Congregation: It is fitting and right to give Him thanks and praise.**

† **Acclamation**

† **Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy):** See Insert

**(Singing): Holy, holy, holy, LORD God of Hosts!  
The whole earth is full of His glory!  
Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD God Almighty,  
Who was, and is, and is to come (and is to come)!  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Hosanna in the highest!**

## † The Great Commandment

Leader: Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one.

**Congregation: You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment.**

Leader: And the second is like it:

**Congregation: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the prophets.**

Leader: And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up.

All of you stand today before the LORD your God that you may enter into covenant with the LORD your God, and into His oath, which the LORD your God makes with you today, that He may establish you today as a people for Himself.

**Congregation: The LORD our God we will serve, and His voice we will obey.**

## † Hymn of Ascension:

*Cantus 326, Rejoice, the Lord is King*

## CONSECRATION BY THE WORD

### † Prayer (Collect for illumination)

**Old Testament Reading:** Psalm 145

**Apostolic Reading:** James 1:1-18

† **Gospel Reading:** Matthew 21:12-17

*After each reading:*

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon:** Elder Dave Rapp, Psalm 145:8-9; 14-20, “Call on Him in Truth”

**Pastoral prayer**

† **Hymn of Response:** Insert, God Moves in a Mysterious Way

† **The Nicene Creed**

Leader: Christian, in whom do you believe?

**Congregation: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who, for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. AMEN.**

## TRIBUTE OFFERING

### Prayers of God's People

*The prayers of God's people closes with The Lord's Prayer:*

Leader: Lord, we offer to you all these prayers, in and through your Spirit, in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, praying as he taught us to pray:

**Congregation: Our Father who art in heaven . . .**

**Presenting of tithes and offerings:** 1 Chronicles 29:13-18

*Cantus 120, Psalm 84, How Lovely, LORD of Hosts, to Me*

# COMMUNION

## Invitation

### † Dialog

Leader: The Peace of the Lord be with you.

Congregation: **And with your spirit.**

### † Prayer of Thanksgiving and Memorial

#### † Alleluia (Revelation 19:6-8): See Insert

Leader: Alleluia! Surely, salvation, glory, honor, and power belong to the Lord our God! Praise our God, all you His servants and those who fear Him, both small and great!

(Singing): **Alleluia!**

**For the Lord our God Almighty reigneth.  
Let us rejoice, exult, and give all glory to his name,  
For the marriage of the Lamb has come,  
His Bride has made herself ready.  
The finest linen has she been given,  
with a shining raiment she has been clothed:  
The righteous deeds of the holy ones.**

Leader: Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

*When the bread and cup are passed, the people may eat and drink as they are served.*

### **Partaking of the Bread:**

*Cantus 204, At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing*

### **Partaking of the Cup:**

*Cantus 258, How Sweet and Awful is the Place*

## † Proclamation

Leader: People of God, let us therefore stand together and proclaim our faith!

**Congregation: Christ has died!  
Christ is risen!  
Christ is coming again!**

Leader: He who testifies to these things says, 'Surely I am coming soon.'

**Congregation: Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.**

## † Hymn of Thanksgiving:

*Cantus 34, Psalm 22, To All My Brothers I'll Declare*

## COMMISSION AND BLESSING

### † Word of Commission

### † Benediction

### † Recession: *Cantus 428, Song of Simeon*

*With arms raised during the Gloria:*

**Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word; for mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people: a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of thy people Israel.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen!**

## † Dismissal

Leader: Now go forth into the world to love and to serve the Lord Jesus Christ.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

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Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 1

1. Q: **What is thy only comfort in life and death?**

A: That I with body and soul, both in life and death, am not my own, but belong unto my faithful Savior Jesus Christ; who, with His precious blood, hath fully satisfied for all my sins, and delivered me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me that without the will of my heavenly Father, not a hair can fall from my head; yea, that all things must be subservient to my salvation, and therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me sincerely willing and ready, henceforth, to live unto Him.

2. Q: **How many things are necessary for thee to know, that thou, enjoying this comfort, mayest live and die happily?**

A: Three: the first, how great my sins and miseries are; the second, how I may be delivered from all my sins and miseries; the third, how I shall express my gratitude to God for such deliverance.

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