
COVENANT RENEWAL WORSHIP

The Morning Service

The Lord's Day — May 30, 2004

Pentecost Sunday

Preparation For Worship: Psalm 104:24-35

Organ - Mr. Bill Hoover

Welcome & Announcements - Pastor Jeffrey J. Meyers

The Lord Calls Us

Silent Preparation

Call to Worship: *Psalm 104:30-35*

Pastor Jeffrey J. Meyers

†Hymn #247 "Come, O come . . ."

Trinity Hymnal (Tune of #127)

†Salutation & Responsive Scripture

Pastor: In the Name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit!

Congregation: **Amen!**

The Lord be with you!

Ruth 2:4

And also with you!

When the Lord sends forth his Spirit,

Psalm 104:30

He renews the face of the earth!

†Pastor: Let us pray to the Lord:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, send your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that he may rule and direct us according to your will, comfort us in all our temptations and afflictions, defend us from all error, and lead us into all truth; that we, being steadfast in the faith, may increase in love and in all good works, and in the end obtain everlasting life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, age after age. Amen!

The Lord Purifies Us

†Pastor: Let us humbly bow our heads before the Lord and confess our sins.

If we say we have no sin,

We deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins

And to cleanse us from all unrighteousness! *1 John 1:8-9*

Almighty God, you poured out your Spirit upon the gathered disciples creating open ears and bold tongues, and a new living temple to show forth your glory to the world. We confess that we have often grieved

†Congregation Stands

your Spirit. We have not heeded your life-giving Word, nor have we spoken the good news of Christ's lordship to our neighbor, nor lived gloriously as the new temple of the Spirit, as your people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us, O God; transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit, and fill us with an ardent desire to be your faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Silent Prayer. Amen!*

†Pastor: Now lift up your heads and hear the good news . . . !

The Rite of Holy Baptism

Pastor Jeffrey Meyers

The Old Testament Reading: *Joel 2:28-32*

The New Testament Reading: *Acts 2:1-16*

Parental Vows: *Nate & Emily Smith*

Congregational Vows & Admonition

Holy Baptism: *Thomas Lyth Smith*

Prayer of Thanksgiving: *Elder John Moore*

†We Confess our Faith & Renew Covenant: *The Lorica*

(see insert)

The Lord Consecrates Us

†The Gospel Reading: *Matthew 14:1-21*

Sermon: **A TALE OF TWO KINGS**

Pastor Jeffrey J. Meyers

We Offer Ourselves Through Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "O sing unto the LORD" (*Psalm 96:1-3*)

(see insert)

†Prayer of Dedication & The Lord's Prayer

†The *Gloria Patri*

The Lord Installs New Officers

Ordination & Installation Vows

(see insert)

Ruling Elders: *John Keane & John McGowan*

Deacons: *Bryan Carter, Tom Hanley, Allan Wamsley, & Tim Werkema*

Congregational Vows

The Laying On of Hands & The Right Hand of Fellowship

Declaration of Installation

†Hymn "Come down, O Love divine"

(see insert)

The Lord Communes With Us

†Prayer of Thanksgiving & Memorial

The Words of Institution & Invitation

Communion Hymn: #246 "Holy Ghost, dispel our sadness" *Trinity Hymnal*

Pastoral Benediction

The body and blood of our Lord strengthen and preserve you steadfast in the true faith to life everlasting. In the Name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Congregation: **Amen!**

†The Song of Simeon (*Nunc Dimittis*): *Luke 2:30-32*

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word; for mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou has 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.

†Pastor: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

Congregation: **And his mercy endures forever!**

Pastoral Prayer: O Lord, you taught the hearts of your faithful people, by sending them the light of your Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, age after age.

Congregation: **Amen!**

The Lord Blesses Us & Sends Us Out

†Hymn #253 "O Spirit of the living God" *Trinity Hymnal* (Tune of #54)

†Benediction: *Numbers 6:24-26*

†Three-fold Amen

†Postlude

The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is observed every Lord's Day as the climax of covenant renewal worship. We invite to the Lord's Table all those who are baptized disciples of Jesus Christ, under the authority of Christ and His body, the Church. By eating the bread and wine with us as a visitor, you are acknowledging to the elders of this local church that you are in covenant with God and an active member of a congregation in which the gospel is faithfully confessed, taught, and believed. You also acknowledge that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Jesus Christ alone for salvation. If you have any doubt about your participation, please speak to one of the elders or the pastor before or after the service.

Note: The middle circle of cups in each tray contains grape juice, the larger outer ring contains wine. (The grape juice has a darker color than the wine.)

Our Evening Sacrifice of Praise

May 30, 2004 — 6:00 PM

Tonight Pastor Chris Smith will continue his exposition and application of Paul's First Epistle to the Thessalonians.