

New Year's Day - The Lord's Supper

January 1, 2017

11:00 a.m.

Prelude Wilson

By the Cross

Silent Meditation **Mark 13:5-6**

And Jesus began to say to them, "See that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray."

Welcome and Announcements

Chimes

Introit arr. Vincent

Peace, Perfect Peace

Call to Worship **Psalms 145**

Prayer of Adoration, Approach, Confession

Hymn **#108**

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Offertory Frick

The Sacred Heart

Presentation of Gifts and Doxology **#625**

Prayer of Dedication

Pastoral Prayer and Intercession

Hymn **#163**

As with Gladness Men of Old

Scripture Reading **(p. 894)**

John 8:21-30

Sermon Revd. John Flanagan

The Person of Christ

Action and Communion

Acclamation

MINISTER: Your death, O Lord, we commemorate. Your resurrection we confess. Your final coming we await. Glory be to you, O Christ.

RESPONSE: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

New Year Covenanting Together

We Covenant Together

Commit yourselves to Christ as his servants. Give yourselves to him, that you may belong to him. Christ has many services to be done. Some are more easy and honorable, others are more difficult and disgraceful. Some are suitable to our inclinations and interests, others are contrary to both. In some we may please Christ and please ourselves. But then there are other works where we cannot please Christ except by denying ourselves. It is necessary, therefore, that we consider what it means to be a servant of Christ. Let us, therefore, go to Christ, and pray:

Creating and redeeming God, we give you thanks and praise.

Your covenant of grace was made for our salvation in Jesus Christ our Lord.

We come this day to covenant with you and with our companions in discipleship: to watch over each other and to walk together before you in ways known and still to be made known.

Pour your Spirit upon us.

Help us so to walk in your ways that the promises we make this day, and the life that we live together, may become an offering of love, our duty and delight truly glorifying to you - Father Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

This day, we give ourselves again to the Lord and to each other to be bound together in fellowship, and to work together in the unity of the Spirit for the sake of God's mission.

Hymn **#567**

Another Year is Dawning

Closing Words

Choral Response

**O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal home! Amen**

Benediction

Postlude Cohn

Festal March

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