

# Covenant Renewal Service

## 2026

### Opening Prayer

God of new hope, searcher of all our hearts, we come to acknowledge Your sovereignty and grace, and to enter anew into covenant with you. Reveal any reluctance or falsehood within us. Let Your Spirit impress Your truth on our inmost being. Receive us today in mercy for the sake of Christ. Amen

### Litany of Thanksgiving

**Let us give thanks for all of God's mercies.**

**O God, our covenant friend, you have been gracious to us throughout our lives. We thank You for Your loving care, which has brought us to this time and place. We praise Your Holy Name. You have given us life and reason. You have comforted us with Your people and ministered to us through the hands of our sisters and brothers. You have redeemed us and called us to a higher place. You are our light in the midst of darkness, and a rock of strength in adversity. You are the very Spirit of Joy that fills the earth.**

### Pastoral Proclamation

Commit yourselves to Christ as His servants today. Give yourselves to Him, that you may belong to Him. In our commitments, some may please Christ and please ourselves. There are other works of Christ where we cannot please Him without denying ourselves. It is necessary, therefore, that we consider what it means to be a servant of Christ. Under Your command, I will no longer be my own. I will give up myself to Your will. I will be satisfied to receive my place in Your work. Make me what You will, as I put myself fully in Your hands.

### Covenant Prayer in Unison

**Let me be employed for You and laid aside for You. Let me be full, and let me be empty. Let me have all things, and let me have nothing. I freely and with a willing heart give it all to Your pleasure and disposal. In human fear and hesitation, I release myself to You with trust. You are the source of rescue.**

### Pastoral Admonition

Feed your covenantal commitment in these ways: First, set apart a time for the Lord each day. A time alone seeking God's special assistance. Allow Him to search your heart. Second, set in holy awe and reverence. Appreciate the fullness of His character. Be still and know that He is God. Claim God's covenant and rely on His grace and strength. Third, resolve to be faithful. You have given to the Lord your hearts. You have opened your mouths to the Lord. You have dedicated yourself to God. Trust in the mercies of the Lord.

### Declaration of the People

**O righteous God, see me as I fall down before you. Forgive me for past unfaithfulness to Your will. For You have promised mercy to me. I renounce today that which I have placed ahead of You. Before all heaven and earth, I acknowledge You as my Lord and God. I take You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, to be my portion. I come to You, imperfect and hungry, and renounce my wisdom for Yours. I take Your will as mine. May the covenant I have made on earth be ratified today in heaven.**

### Silent Time of Prayer and Petition

#### Gratitude of the People

**Christ our Lord, I covenant with You today. Through Your grace, neither life nor death shall part me from You. I place myself under Your yoke. Your laws are holy, good, and just. I take them as the rule of my life. I will strive to order my life according to Your direction. I will not neglect that which is my duty, for Your purpose.**

#### Pastoral Blessing

Hear our covenant to You, and now, all glory, honor, and praise belong to You. You have loved Your people and wash them of all sin. By Your power and infinite grace, You have received us in this covenantal agreement today. Amen.

# A New Year Covenant Renewal

Wesleyan Covenant



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