

MORNING WORSHIP

The beginning of the prelude is a call to silent, personal preparation for the worship of God.

PRELUDE Children of the Heavenly Father *Aaron David Miller*

INTROIT “Maker, in Whom We Live” *Morgan Simmons*
Maker, in whom we live, in whom we are and move,
the glory, power, and praise receive for thy
creating love. Spirit of holiness, let all thy saints adore
thy sacred energy and bless thine heart-renewing grace.

***DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION** (The Hymnal, 592)

***HYMN 474** “O Splendor of God’s Glory Bright”
Tune: PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

**God of grace,
under whose loving scrutiny we live,
we confess that we have failed to love you
and our neighbor while indulging ourselves.
We have strayed from your way of
compassion and mercy and have followed
the gods of violence and vengeance.
Have mercy on us and forgive us.
Raise us to new life,
that we may serve you faithfully
and witness to your redeeming love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.
People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ANTHEM “Jesu, Joy of All Desiring” *Johann Sebastian Bach*
Jesu, joy of all desiring, holy wisdom, love most bright;
drawn by thee, our souls, aspiring, soar to uncreated
light. Word of God, our flesh that fashioned with the
fire of life impassioned. Striving still to truth unknown,
soaring, dying, round thy throne.

PSALTER Psalm 139:1–12, 19–24 (page 545, O.T.)
(responsively)

***GLORIA PATRI** (The Hymnal, 579)

SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 Peter 3:8–12 (page 220, N.T.)
Minister: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON by John H. Boyle
UNDER THE EYE OF THE CLOCK
“For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous,
and his ears are open to their prayer.”
1 Peter 3:12a (NRSV)

***HYMN 326** “Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart”
Tune: MORECAMBE

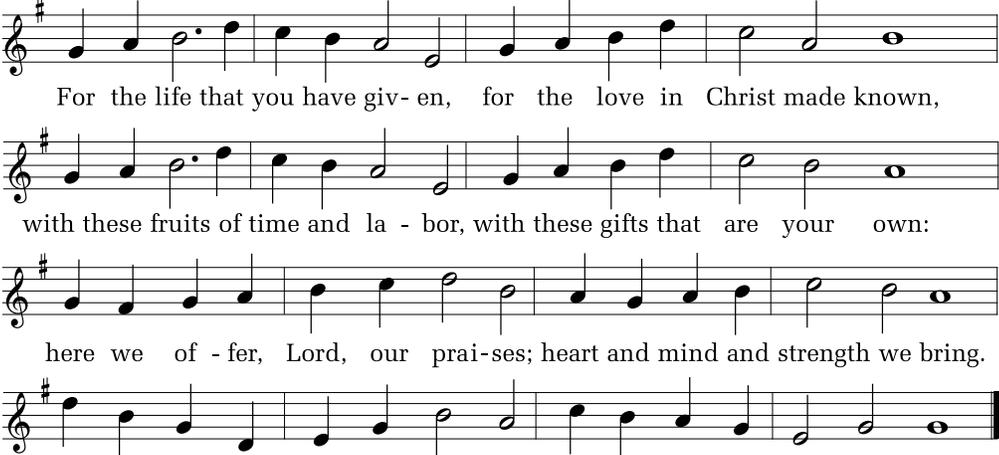
***APOSTLES’ CREED** *(unison)*
**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the
right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge
the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;**

**the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO “How Fair and How Pleasant Art Thou” *Marcel Dupré*

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE



For the life that you have giv- en, for the love in Christ made known,
with these fruits of time and la - bor, with these gifts that are your own:
here we of - fer, Lord, our prai-ses; heart and mind and strength we bring.
Give us grace to love and serve you, liv - ing what we pray and sing.

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THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

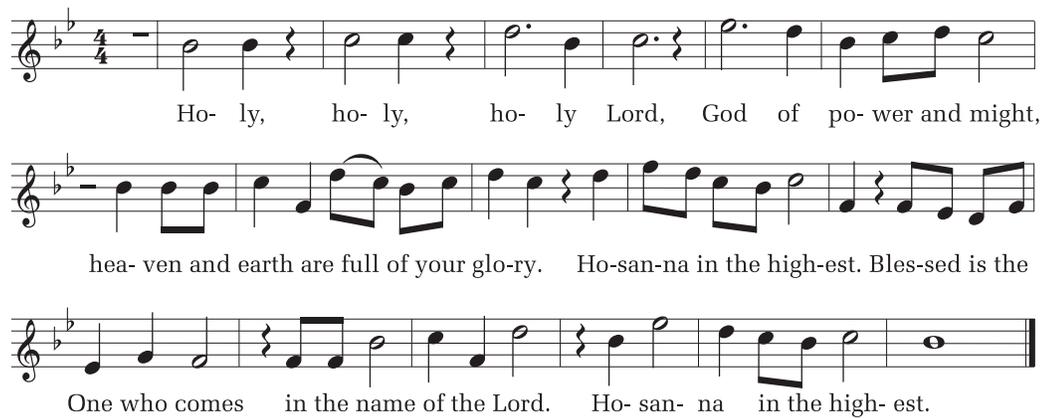
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

PRAYER

Minister: It is truly right and our greatest joy . . .
. . . who forever sing to the glory of your name:



Ho- ly, ho- ly, ho- ly Lord, God of po- wer and might,
hea- ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bles-sed is the
One who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho- san- na in the high- est.

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THE LORD'S PRAYER (*unison*)

**Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory forever. Amen.**

THE COMMUNION

COMMUNION ANTHEM "Hitotsubu no" *Ushio Takahashi*

When a grain of wheat into the ground has fallen,
into the cold ground, and lies in waiting for the spring,
this fallen grain will rise to life.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (*unison*)

**Gracious God, you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
You have fed us with the bread of life
and renewed us for your service.
Help us, who have shared Christ's body
and received his cup, to be faithful disciples,
so that our daily living may be part of the life
of your kingdom, and our love be your love
reaching out into the life of the world;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

***HYMN 298**

“There's a Wideness in God's Mercy”

Tune: IN BABILONE

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Voluntary in D Major

William Mathias

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THE MUSIC TODAY

The Chancel Choir

John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

WORSHIP NOTES

This morning, Communion is served by intinction. The congregation will come forward by the center aisle to receive the bread, which they will then dip into the chalice of grape juice. Worshipers will return to their pews by the side aisles. The invitation to the Lord's Supper is not just for Presbyterians or "members of the church." All who confess Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper. Even one who doubts or whose trust is wavering may receive the bread and grape juice (in place of wine) in order to be assured of God's love and grace in Jesus Christ.

The textile banners and pulpit parament, "Unweavings" created by Laurie Wohl, were commissioned by Fourth Church for use during the liturgical season of Ordinary Time, the longest season of the church year (the season between Epiphany and Lent and between Pentecost and Advent).

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