

MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE Chanson de Matin *Edward Elgar*

INTROIT “The Lord Is in His Holy Temple” *Eric DeLamarter*
The Lord is his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him. Amen.

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

***HYMN 464** “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” *Tune: BUNESSAN*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Lord, you asked for our hands,
that we might use them for your purpose,
but we withdrew them when the work was hard.
You asked for our mouths,
that we might speak out against injustices,
but we stayed silent that we might not be accused.
You asked for our eyes,
that we might see the pain of poverty,
but we closed them and did not want to see.
Forgive us, O gracious God,
and renew us as we once again hear your call.
Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

MINUTE FOR MISSION

PSALTER Psalm 126 (*responsively*) (page 541, O.T.)

ANTHEM	“My Eyes for Beauty Pine” My eyes for beauty pine, my soul for God’s grace, no other care nor hope is mine, to heaven I turn my face. One splendor thence is shed from all the stars above: ’tis named when God’s name is said, ’tis love, ’tis heavenly love. And every gentle heart that burns with true desire is lit from eyes that mirror part of that celestial fire.	<i>Herbert Howells</i>
FIRST LESSON	Genesis 32:22–31	(page 29, O.T.)
	Minister: The Word of the Lord.	
	People: Thanks be to God.	
*GLORIA PATRI		(The Hymnal, 579)
SECOND LESSON	Matthew 14:13–21	(page 15, N.T.)
SERMON	Waiting for Clark Kent	MATTHEW J. HELMS
*HYMN 422	“God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending” <i>Tune: BEACH SPRING</i>	
*APOSTLES’ CREED	<i>(unison)</i> 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.	

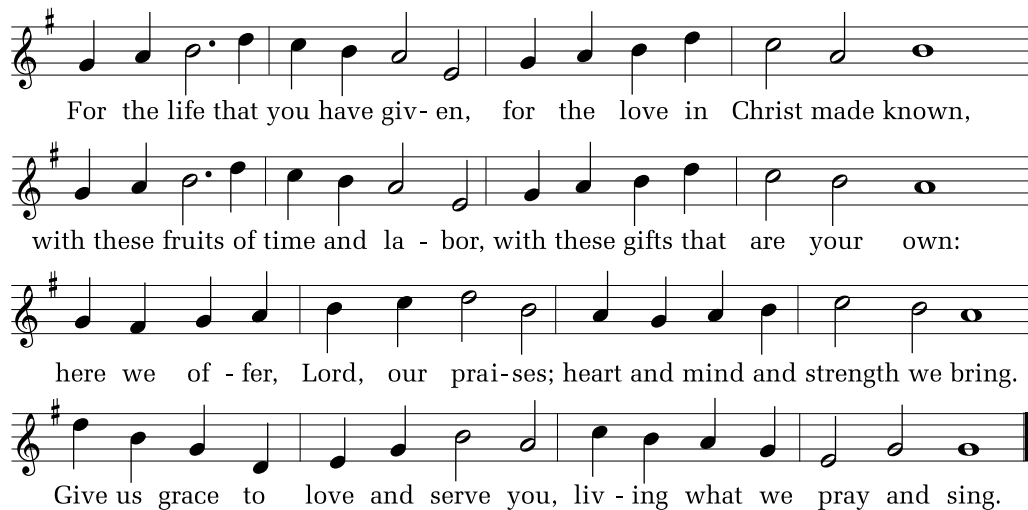
OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO “Litany to the Holy Spirit”

Peter Hurford

In the hour of my distress, when temptations me oppress,
and when I my sins confess, sweet Spirit, comfort
me! When I lie within my bed, sick in heart and sick in
head, and with doubts discomfited, sweet Spirit, comfort
me! When the house doth sigh and weep, and the world is
drowned with sleep, yet mine eyes the watch do keep,
sweet Spirit, comfort me!

*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.

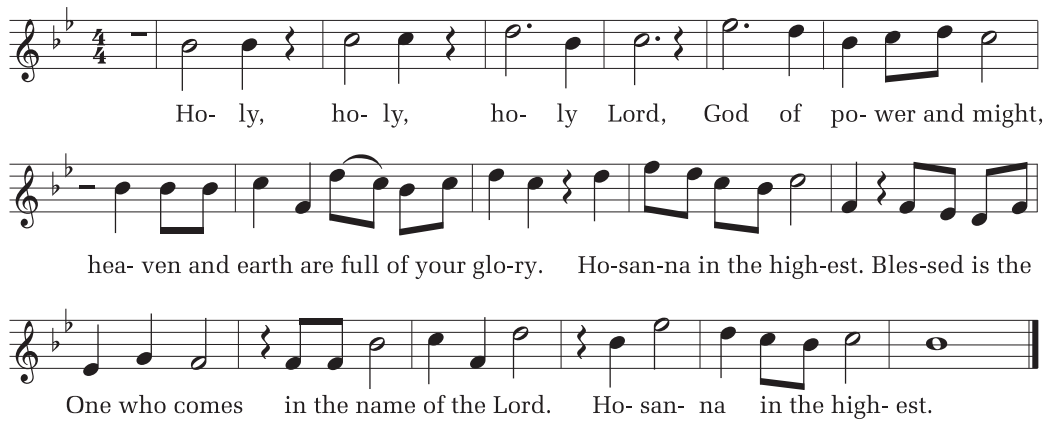
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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 “Now the Silence”

Carl Schalk

Now the silence; now the peace; now the empty hands
uplifted. Now the kneeling; now the plea; now the Father’s
arms in welcome. Now the hearing; now the power; now
the vessel brimmed for pouring. Now the body; now the
blood; now the joyful celebration. Now the wedding; now
the songs; now the heart forgiven leaping. Now the Spirit’s
visitation; now the Son’s epiphany; now the Father’s
blessing. Now. Now. Now.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (*unison*)

**Generous God,
we thank you that in this sacrament
we are not strangers to one another,
but brothers and sisters in Christ;
we are not strangers to you,
but a welcome face at your table.
May sharing this bread together
open our eyes so that we can see
the risen Christ in our midst,
in this church, in this city, in our world.
Amen.**

***HYMN 343**

“Called as Partners in Christ’s Service”

Tune: BEECHER

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

The Rejoicing from *Royal Fireworks*

George Frideric Handel

WORSHIP LEADERS

Thomas C. Rook, Kerri N. Allen, Matthew J. Helms

THE MUSIC TODAY

Women of the Morning Choir

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist and Handbell Director

WORSHIP NOTES

This morning's Minute for Mission is presented by Karen Otto on behalf of the Resource Development Committee.

Fourth Church is grateful to the women of the Morning Choir, who have sung during morning worship services in July, for their music leadership. The men of the Morning Choir will sing in August, and the full choir will return in September.

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