

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

Gathering around the Word

Prelude

Toccata Undecima Georg Muffat

Introit

“Even Now, Says the Lord” Richard Proulx
*Even now, says the Lord, return to me with your whole heart,
for I am gracious and merciful.*

*Doxology (*sung*) The Hymnal, 606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Call to Worship

Leader: *Let us worship God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ.*

People: **We are new creations; the old has gone, the new has come!**

Leader: *Let us worship God as Christ’s ambassadors.*

People: **Through us and through our worship
may we announce the good news to all.**

Leader: *Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.*

People: **Praise God! We are reconciled, redeemed, renewed!**

*Opening Prayer

*Hymn 435 “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”

Prayer of Lenten Confession (*unison*)

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost.
We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way.
We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained
and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice,
and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return
us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Extinguishing the Fifth Lenten Candle

Kyrie (*sung*) The Hymnal, 576
Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on us.

Declaration of Pardon

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

Concerns of the Church

Anthem

“Wondrous Love” American folk hymn
arr. Alice Parker
Anthem text: The Hymnal, 215

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Psalter (*responsively*)

Psalms 84 Old Testament, page 513

*Gloria Patri (*sung*) The Hymnal, 581

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. Amen.

Scripture Lesson

Luke 19:1–10 New Testament, page 77

Minister: *The Word of the Lord.*
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Like It or Not Layton Williams

Responding to the Word

*Hymn 726 “Will You Come and Follow Me”

*Affirmation of Faith (*unison*) Apostles’ Creed

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 Voluntary

Antiphon André Fleury

*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.

Sealing the Word

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:

Sanctus (*sung*) The Hymnal, 552

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Minister: . . . *Great is the mystery of faith:*

Memorial Acclamation (*sung*) The Hymnal, 553

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

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

“Jesu, Dulcis Memoria” Tomás Luis de Victoria
*Jesu, the very thought of thee with sweetness fills my breast,
but sweeter far thy face to see, and in thy presence rest.*

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

Loving Christ, here at your table you have gathered us
to share in your truth and blessing.
In sharing bread and cup you have made us one body.
Having been nourished by your saving love,
now send us forth as agents of your grace
to share your truth and blessing with your whole beloved world. Amen.

Bearing the Word into the World

*Hymn 727 “Will You Let Me Be Your Servant”

*Benediction and Response

Postlude

Carillon-Sortie Henri Mulet

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The Music Today

The Chancel Choir

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Worship Notes

EACH SUNDAY DURING LENT we are extinguishing a candle at the front of the Sanctuary. Just as we lit candles on the Advent wreath to symbolize the light coming into the world through the birth of Christ, so now our extinguishing of candles points to the Lenten progression from light to darkness as we make our way to Good Friday and the crucifixion.

THE SEASON OF LENT calls Christians to embrace the faith journey by reflecting upon and deepening their relationship with God and by acting upon their Christian beliefs. During this season, we are invited to thoughtfully take up the gifts of faith—worship, study, prayer, and service—in preparation for Holy Week and Christ’s journey to the cross.

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