

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

Gathering around the Word

Prelude

- A Little Suite Gabriel Pierné; arr. Craig A. Penfield
1. Pastorale
 2. Guardian Angels
 3. Petite Gavotte

Introit

- “Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart” Arthur Henry Messiter
arr. Norman J. Clayton

*Rejoice, ye pure in heart; rejoice, give thanks and sing;
your festal banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.
Rejoice, give thanks and sing.*

- *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: *People of God, worship the living God today!*

People: **Remember that out of nothing
God created the heavens and earth.
Remember that God raised Jesus
from the powerlessness of death
to the power of God’s right hand.
Remember that not even the gates of hell
can stand against God’s purposes.**

Leader: *Behold your God, who reigns now and forever!*

- *Hymn 623 “I’ve Got Peace like a River”

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Jesus, who sat at the table with outcasts and sinners,
we confess that too often our words and actions
are not consistent with our beliefs.
Often we ignore the needy,
show indifference to the lonely,
and reject those who seem different from us.
Forgive us, we pray.
Empower us to reach out in love and acceptance
through your name. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

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

*Exchange of Peace

Leader: *The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.*
People: And also with you.

We invite you to greet those around you, wishing them "peace" or "the peace of Christ."

Concerns of the Church

Anthem

"Alleluia" from *Exsultate Jubilate*. Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
arr. Bryceson Treharne

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Psalter (*responsively*)

Psalms 138 Old Testament, page 545

*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

Romans 12:1-8 New Testament, page 151

Minister: *The Word of the Lord.*

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Rocky Supinger

Responding to the Word

*Hymn 749 "Come! Live in the Light!"

*Affirmation of Faith 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.

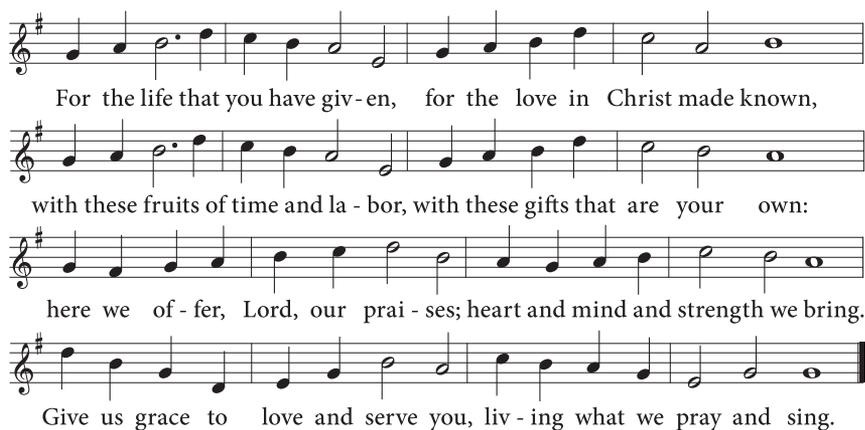
Offering

Offertory Voluntary

A Spiritual Pair African American spiritual; arr. Dan Locklair

1. Swing Low

*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 up 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 . . .*

. . . forever singing to the glory of your name:

Sanctus (*sung*) The Hymnal, 572

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.

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

Memorial Acclamation (*sung*) The Hymnal, 573
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

"We Wait for Thy Loving-Kindness" Stephen Elvey
We wait for thy loving-kindness, O God, in the midst of thy temple.

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

Gracious God, we thank you for the love that brings us food from heaven,
gives us the life of your dear Son, and assures us that we belong
to the company of all his faithful people in heaven and on earth.
Grant that, strengthened by this fellowship
and by the power of his Holy Spirit,
we may continue his work in the world,
until we come to the glory of your eternal kingdom;
through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.

Bearing the Word into the World

*Hymn 737 "Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song"

*Benediction and Response

Postlude

A Trumpet Minuet Alfred Hollins

Worship Leaders

Victoria G. Curtiss, Collene Mraz, Rocky Supinger

The Music Today

Women of the Morning Choir

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

Worship Notes

THE EXCHANGE OF PEACE, which follows the Declaration of Pardon, is a response to God's forgiveness. This exchange of signs and words of unity and of Christ's peace is an ancient greeting of siblings in Christ. This is a time when we extend to one another what we ourselves have received from God in Christ. You may shake hands and say "The peace of Christ be with you" or simply "Peace be with you," the greeting of Jesus Christ to his disciples after his resurrection. By exchanging the Peace of Christ with one another, we witness to God's reconciling love.

THIS MORNING, COMMUNION IS SERVED by intinction. The congregation comes forward by the center aisle to receive the bread, which they then dip into the chalice of grape juice. (Gluten-free bread is available in a small tumbler in each basket of bread. Worshipers 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.

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