

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

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## Gathering around the Word

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### Prelude

Ballo del Granduca . . . . . Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck

### Introit

“Praise We Sing to Thee” . . . . . Franz Joseph Haydn  
arr. Morten J. Luvaas

*Praise we sing to thee, thou mighty ruler, King forever;  
praise we sing to thee, dear Lord, and we will fail thee never.  
All the joys of nature tell us of thy wonder-working power;  
still thy tender grace and mercy keep us every hour.  
Praise we sing to thee, most holy, praise forevermore!*

\*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.<sup>†</sup> Amen.

### \*Invocation

\*Hymn 645 . . . . . “Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”

### Litany of Confession

Leader: *For failing to love others as you have loved us—God of grace,*

People: **forgive us.**

Leader: *For wasting your gifts and hoarding our goods—God of grace,*

People: **forgive us.**

Leader: *For being poor stewards of the earth  
and hurting your creation—God of grace,*

People: **forgive us.**

Leader: *For fearing those who are strange to us  
and ignoring those in need—God of grace,*

People: **forgive us.**

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\*Stand as you are able. <sup>†</sup>Or “Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.”

Leader: *For losing heart and abandoning hope—God of grace,*

People: **forgive us.**

Leader: *For all the ways we turn from you—God of grace,*

People: **forgive us.**

Leader: *We offer our prayers in the name of the one  
who saves us and makes us whole, Jesus Christ.*

People: **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

“Derr Herr Sugne Euch” . . . . . Johann Sebastian Bach; arr. Arthur Mendel  
*May God smile on you more and more, you and all your children.*

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## Listening for the Word

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### Prayer for Illumination

#### Psalter (*responsively*)

Psalm 97 . . . . . Old Testament, page 521

#### \*Gloria Patri (*sung*). . . . . The Hymnal, 581

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:<sup>†</sup>  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

### Scripture Lesson

Acts of the Apostles 16:16–34 . . . . . New Testament, page 128

Leader: *The Word of the Lord.*

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Responding to the Word

\*Hymn 533 . . . . . "In the Singing"

\*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

Voluntary . . . . . 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.

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## Sealing the Word

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### THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

#### Invitation

#### Great Thanksgiving

Leader: *The Lord be with you.*

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: *Lift up your hearts.*

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

Leader: *Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.*

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

#### Prayer

Leader: *It is truly right and our greatest joy . . .*

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

Sanctus (*sung*) . . . . . The Hymnal, 565

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power, God of 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.

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

Memorial Acclamation (*sung*) . . . . . The Hymnal, 566

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

“The King of Love and Grace” . . . . . Irish and American folk tunes  
arr. Christopher Aspaas

*The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack  
if I am his and he is mine forever. Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed  
soul he leadeth, and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.  
Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me; I once was lost  
but now am found, was blind but now I see. And so, through all the length of days,  
thy goodness faileth never. Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house  
forever; and he is mine forever.*

## Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

Nourishing God, thank you for inviting us to your table where all are welcome and for feeding us with the bread of life and quenching our thirst with the cup of blessing. As you have filled our lives with love and hope, may we be a source of your love and hope for others who hunger and thirst for good news. Amen.

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## Bearing the Word into the World

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\*Hymn 10 . . . . . “Sing Glory to the Name of God”

\*Benediction and Response

## Postlude

Allegro Maestoso . . . . . André Fleury

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.

## Worship Leaders

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Matt Helms, Christopher Gernand, Shannon J. Kershner

## The Music Today

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Men of the Morning Choir

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

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## Worship Notes

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