**MORNING WORSHIP**

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

**PRELUDE**

Deck Yourself, My Soul, with Gladness

*Johann Sebastian Bach*

**INTROIT**

“The Lord Is Full of Compassion”  *Iain Quinn*

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy; come, let us adore him. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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

*HYMN 77*  

“For Forty Days and Forty Nights”  

*Tune: Aus Der Tiefe rufe ich*

**LITANY OF PENITENCE**

Minister: Almighty God, from lack of reverence for truth and beauty; from calculating or sentimental mind; from going along with mean and ugly things;

People: **deliver us, O God.**

Minister: From cowardice that dares not face truth; laziness content with half-truth; or arrogance that thinks we know it all;

People: **deliver us, O God.**

Minister: From artificial life and worship; from all that is hollow or insincere;

People: **deliver us, O God.**

Minister: From trite ideals and cheap pleasures; from mistaking hard vulgarity for humor;

People: **deliver us, O God.**

Minister: From being dull, pompous, or rude; from putting down our neighbors;

People: **deliver us, O God.**

Minister: From cynicism about others;
from intolerance or cruel indifference;

People: deliver us, O God.

Minister: From being satisfied with things as they are,
in the church or in the world;
from failing to share your indignation about injustice;

People: deliver us, O God.

Minister: From selfishness, self-indulgence, or self-pity,

People: deliver us, O God.

Minister: From token concern for the poor,
for lonely or loveless people;
from confusing faith with good feeling,
or love with wanting to be loved;

People: deliver us, O God.

Minister: For everything in us that may hide your light,


DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY

PSALTER Psalm 27 (responsively) (page 476, O.T.)

ANTHEM “Behold, God Is My Help” Alan Hovhaneness

Save me, O God, by thy name; judge me by thy strength.
Hear my prayer, O God; give ear to the words of my mouth.
Behold, God is my helper; God is my help. I will praise thy name.

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 58:1–12 (page 647, O.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*GLORIA PATRI (The Hymnal, 579)
SECOND LESSON
Luke 14:25–33

SERMON

More Than Just Chocolate

“Is not this the fast that I choose?” Isaiah 58:6 (nrsv)

*HYMN 393

“Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said”

Tune: BOURBON

*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 SOLO

“Out of the Depths”

A. Hovhaness

Out of the depths have I cried unto thee, O Lord.
Lord, hear my voice: let thine ears be attentive to
the voice of my supplications. If thou, Lord,
should mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand?
I wait for the Lord. My soul waitest for the Lord,
more than they that watch for the morning.
*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known,

with these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own:

here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring.

Give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.


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:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the

One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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

People: 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** “My Flesh Is Food Indeed” *Richard Proulx*

“My flesh is food indeed and my blood is drink indeed,” says the Lord. “Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood dwell in me and I in them.”

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)**

Gracious God, your Word, Jesus Christ, spoke peace to a sinful world and brought humanity the gift of reconciliation by the life, ministry, and death he endured. Teach those who bear his name to follow the example he gave us. May our faith, hope, and charity turn hatred to love, conflict to peace, and death to eternal life; through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

**Hymn 85**

“What Wondrous Love Is This”

*Tune: WONDROUS LOVE*

**Benediction and Response**

**Postlude** Now in the Name of God We Go *Helmut Walcha*
Worship Leaders
Sarah A. Johnson, John H. Boyle, Jocelyn C. Cadwallader

The Music Today
The Chancel Choir; Coty Colson and Andrea Pokrefke, soloists
John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music
Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

Worship Notes
Today’s Minute for Ministry is presented by Katy Sinclair, Superintendent of Sunday School, on behalf of the Sunday School program.

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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. All who confess Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord are invited to partake of the Lord’s Supper.

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