MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE

Prelude on an Introit

Maurice Duruflé

INTROIT

“Sana, Sananina”

Tanzanian melody

Hosanna

arr. Patrick Matsikenyiri

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

(The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN 470

“O Day of Radiant Gladness”

Tune: Es Flog Ein Kleins Waldvögelein

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Merciful God, we confess that we have allowed ourselves to be more influenced by the media, the market, and the malaise of society than by your word and dream for the world. We have put our own pleasure ahead of your purposes, and let fear overrule your call. We have been more inclined to feed our own egos than to give bread to the hungry; to accommodate to the status quo than to work for justice. Forgive us, God, and teach us to nourish those things that shine your light of love. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER

Psalm 112 (responsively)

(page 532, O.T.)
ANTHEM

“Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life” Harold W. Friedell
Come, my way, my truth, my life! Such a way as gives us breath, such a truth as ends all strife, such a life that killeth death. Come, my light, my feast, my strength! Such a light as shows a feast, such a feast as mends in length, such a strength as makes his guest. Come, my joy, my love, my heart! Such a joy as none can move, such a love as none can part, such a heart as joys in love.

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 58:1–9a (page 647, O.T.)
Minister: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

*GLORIA PATRI

(The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON

Matthew 5:13–20 (page 4, N.T.)

SERMON

Breaking Forth Like the Dawn Victoria G. Curtiss

*HYMN 411

“Arise, Your Light Is Come!” Tune: Festal Song

*APostles’ Creed

(unison)

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
“Air” from Orchestral Suite No. 3
Johann Sebastian Bach

*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:

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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.

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**The Communion**

**Communion Anthem**  “Invitation”  *Richard B. Rosewall*

As you came once long ago to save our world so full of woe,
come, Lord Jesus, be our guest at this, the feast that you
have blessed. Take from our lives all guilt and sin.
O, enter now and dwell within, Christ, we implore you,
for we do adore you.
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

Gracious God, thank you for this meal
which binds us to you and to one another.
As Jesus Christ was true to your call
even unto death, so may we be faithful to you
in seasons both challenging and joyous.
Steady our hearts that we may
shine your saving light. Amen.

*HYMN 425  “Lord of Light, Your Name Outshining”
Tune: ABBOT’S LEIGH

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE  Carillon de Westminster  Louis Vierne
WORSHIP LEADERS
Kerri N. Allen, John H. Boyle, Victoria G. Curtiss

THE MUSIC TODAY
The Chancel Choir; Carol Carpenter, flutist
John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music
Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist and Handbell Director

WORSHIP NOTES
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. (Gluten-free bread is available in a small tumbler in each basket of bread.) Worshipers will 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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