**MORNING WORSHIP**

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

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**PRELUDE**

Swing Low, Sweet Chariot  
*African American spiritual*  
*arr. Dan Locklair*

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**INTROIT**

“Jesu, Tawa Pano”  
*Patrick Matsikenyiri*  
Jesus, we are here for you.

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**DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION**

*(The Hymnal, 592)*

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**HYMN 492**

“Baptized in Water”  
*Tune: Bunessan*

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**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** *(unison)*

God, who both challenges and accepts,  
we long for your peace.  
We long for harmony in our families,  
for serenity in the midst of struggle.  
We long for the day when our homes  
will be a dwelling place for your love.  
Yet we confess we are anxious  
and we do not trust one another.  
We are not willing to take risks  
and make the kind of sacrifices that love requires.  
Look upon us with kindness and grace  
and grant us trust and understanding of one another.  
Amen.

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**DECLARATION OF PARDON**

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

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**CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH**

**PSALTER**

Psalm 119:33–40 *(responsively)*  
*(page 535, O.T.)*

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*Stand as you are able*
ANTHEM  “With a Voice of Singing”  Martin Shaw
With a voice of singing declare ye this, and let it be heard, alleluia. Utter it even unto the ends of the earth. The Lord hath delivered his people, alleluia. O be joyful in God, all ye lands; O sing praises to the honor of his name; make his praises to be glorious.

FIRST LESSON Romans 13:8–13 (page 152, N.T.)
Minister: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

*GLORIA PATRI  (The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON Matthew 18:15–20 (page 19, N.T.)

SERMON This Could Get Awkward . . . Matthew J. Helms

*HYMN 386 “O for a World” Tune: Azmon

*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 Voluntary  “Méditation”  Maurice Duruflé

*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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[Music notation]
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Blessed is the
One who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.
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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.

**THE COMMUNION**
**COMMUNION ANTHEM**  “Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring”  

*Johann Sebastian Bach*

Jesu, joy of man's desiring, holy wisdom, love most bright;  
drawn by thee, our souls aspiring, soar to uncreated light.  
Word of God, our flesh that fashioned, with the fire of life,  
impassioned. Striving still to truth unknown, soaring,  
dying, round thy throne.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**  (*unison*)

God of grace,  
you renew us at your table with the bread of life.  
May this food strengthen us in love  
and help us to serve you in each other.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord.  
Amen.

**Hymn 438**  “Blest Be the Tie That Binds”  *Tune: Dennis*

**BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE**

**POSTLUDE**  If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee  *J. S. Bach*
WORSHIP LEADERS

Thomas C. Rook, Kerri N. Allen, Matthew J. Helms

THE MUSIC TODAY

The Chancel Choir
John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music
Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist and Handbell Director

WORSHIP NOTES

This morning, the Chancel Choir returns to weekly worship leadership for the 8:00 service. Those interested in singing with the Chancel Choir are asked to contact John Sherer at 312.787.4570.

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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