**MORNING WORSHIP**

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

**PRELUDE**

When We Are in the Greatest Need  
*Johann Sebastian Bach*

**INTROIT**

“Lord, for Thy Tender Mercy’s Sake”  *Richard Farrant*

Lord, for thy tender mercy’s sake, lay not our sins to our charge, but forgive that is past and give us grace to amend our sinful lives; to decline from sin and incline to virtue, that we may walk with a perfect heart before thee now and evermore.

**DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION**

(The Hymnal, 592)

**HYMN 83**

“Oh Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High”  
*Tune: Deo Gracias*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)**

Lord, shed your light on the world that we may see the true value of things, and when we see the value of your creation, help us to know what should weigh more and what should weigh less. Help us to recognize for what we should sacrifice and onto what we should hold tight. We tend to confuse gain and loss. We tend to esteem the wrong things and overlook what you hold dear. Only in the clear light of your love can we make true estimations, and even then, Lord, we fear they are only estimations. Forgive us for our foolishness. Forgive us for our ignorance. Forgive us for our self-reliance. For the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

**DECLARATION OF PARDON**

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

**CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH**

*Stand as you are able*
MINUTE FOR DISCIPLESHIP

**ANTHEM**  
“Lord, Thou Hast Searched Me”  
*Robert Roth*

Lord, thou hast searched me and dost know wherever  
I rest, wherever I go. Thou knowest all that I have  
planned and all my ways are in thy hand. Where can  
I go apart from thee, or whither from thy presence flee?  
In heaven? It is thy dwelling fair. In death’s abode?  
Lo, thou art there. If deepest darkness cover me, the  
darkness hideth not from thee; to thee both night and  
day are bright; the darkness shineth as the light!

**PSALTER**  
Psalms 22:1–23a *(responsively)*  
(page 473, O.T.)

*GLORIA PATRI*  
(The Hymnal, 579)

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**  
Mark 8:31–38  
(page 41, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.  
People: **Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**  
Gains and Losses  
*Joyce Shin*

“For what will it profit them to gain the whole world  
and forfeit their life?”  
Mark 8:36 *(NRSV)*

*HYMN 76*  
“My Song Is Love Unknown”  
*Tune: Love Unknown*

*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** “The Call” from *Five Mystical Songs*

*Ralph Vaughan Williams*

Come, my way, my truth, my life: such a way as gives us breath; such a truth as ends all strife; such a life as 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.

**OFFERTORY RESPONSE**


**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.

THE COMMUNION

COMMUNION ANTHEM “Thou Knowest, Lord, the Secrets of Our Hearts”

Henry Purcell

Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts;
shut not thy merciful ears unto our prayer,
but spare us, Lord most holy. O God most mighty,
O holy and most merciful Savior, thou most worthy judge eternal, suffer us not at our last hour
for any pains of death to fall from thee. Amen.
The Lord’s Supper at Fourth Presbyterian Church

The Lord’s Supper is the sign and seal of eating and drinking in communion with the crucified and risen Lord. In this act, we remember that during his earthly ministry, Jesus shared meals with his followers and sat at dinner tables as a sign of acceptance of the sinner and the outcast. In the act of remembering that is the Lord’s Supper, we receive and trust the love of Christ present to us and to the world. Through it, we are renewed and empowered to be the church, the body of Christ, in the world.

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.

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.

 Portions of the text above adapted from The Book of Order
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Worship Notes

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