

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

Gathering around the Word

Prelude

Prelude César Franck

Introit

“I Was Glad” Eric H. Thiman
*I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord.
Our feet shall stand within thy gates, O Jerusalem.*

*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. Amen.

*Call to Worship

Leader: *The heavens proclaim the glory of God;
and the firmament proclaims God’s handiwork.*

People: **Day by day pours forth speech,
and night to night declares knowledge.**

Leader: *Good news to the poor, release to the captives,
and recovery of sight to the blind.*

People: **The oppressed shall go free and proclaim the year
of the Lord’s favor.**

*Opening Prayer

*Stand as you are able.

*Hymn 265 “Jesus Shall Reign Where’er the Sun”

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Almighty God,
we have strayed from your good law,
both in what we have done and what we have left undone.
We have cast aside your counsel and departed from your ways.
Show us your tender mercy. Forgive us and restore us.
Heal our blindness to our sins, and release us
from captivity to selfish desires.
Empower us by your Spirit, that our words, thoughts, and intentions
will truly glorify you, O Lord. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

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

Concerns of the Church

Minute for Mission

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Psalter (*responsively*)

Psalm 19 Old Testament, page 472

Anthem

“O Sing Unto the Lord a New Song” Peter Aston
O sing unto the Lord a new song; sing unto the Lord, all the earth.
O sing unto the Lord, bless his name; show forth his salvation from day to day.
For the Lord is great and greatly to be praised.
Declare his glory among the heathen; declare his wonders among all the people.

First Lesson

Nehemiah 8:1–3, 5–6, 8–10 Old Testament, page 416

Minister: *The Word of the Lord.*

People: Thanks be to God.

*Gloria Patri (*sung*) The Hymnal, 581

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

Second Lesson

Luke 4:14–21 New Testament, page 57

Minister: *The Word of the Lord.*

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Remembering Judith L. Watt

Responding to the Word

*Hymn 772 “Live into Hope”

*Affirmation of Faith (*unison*) Apostles’ Creed

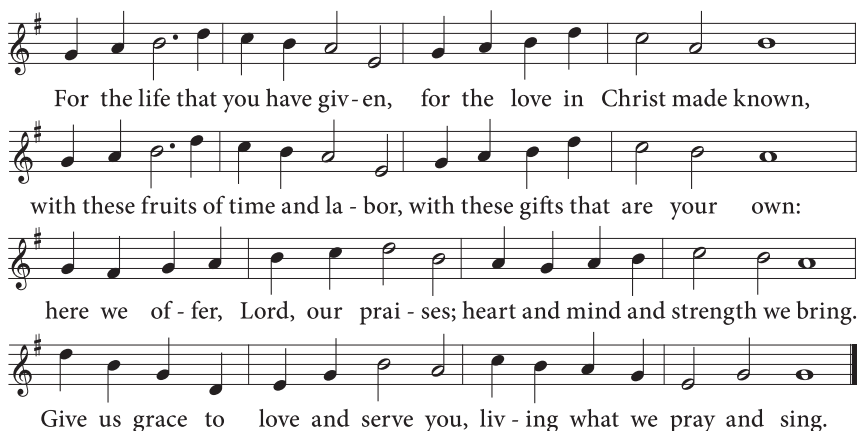
I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead; 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

Berceuse Louis Vierne

*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.

Sealing the Word

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:

Sanctus (*sung*) The Hymnal, 552

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

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

Memorial Acclamation (*sung*) The Hymnal, 553

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

"O Taste and See" Anthony Doherty
O taste and see how sweet the Lord is. Blessed are they that trust in him.

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us
as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his body and blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Bearing the Word into the World

*Hymn 451 "Open My Eyes, That I May See"

*Benediction and Response

Postlude

If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee. Johann Sebastian Bach

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Worship Notes

TODAY'S MINUTE FOR MISSION is presented by Cynthia Joho and Elaine Scales on behalf of the Chicago Lights "Gala of Hope."

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 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.

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.

THE BULLETIN COVER depicts one of the ceiling canvases over the south aisle.

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