

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

Gathering around the Word

Prelude

Canzonetta William Mathias

Introit

“Alleluia, Sing Praise” Anonymous

Alleluia, sing praise happy company, sing we all happy family.

Strike the timbrels, pluck the harp strings, happy quills with joyful harmony.

Sing praise to the Lord your God on high, alleluia.

*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.

*Invocation

*Hymn 749 “Come! Live in the Light!”

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

God of birth, God of joy, God of life,

we come to you as a people hungry for good news.

We have been so dead to miracles

that we have missed the world’s rebirth.

We have preoccupied ourselves with small details

and have overlooked the joy you offer us.

We have been so concerned with making a living

that we have missed the life you set among us.

Forgive us, gracious God.

Open our eyes and our hearts to receive your gift;

open our lips and our hands to share it with all people.

In your Son’s name. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

Minister: *Friends, believe the good news.*

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

Concerns of the Church

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Psalter *(responsively)*

Psalms 146 Old Testament, page 549

Anthem

“Panis Angelicus” César Franck

O Lord most beautiful, Lord most wonderful, Lord of all good things, we come to you in prayer. Help us to know and love you. Father, grant us your truth and grace. Lord of the Trinity, keep all our thoughts on you alone. In our suffering may we find peace in you. Help us to know your path, and free our souls. Father, shine your light on us!

First Lesson

1 Kings 17:8–16 Old Testament, page 309

*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

1 Kings 17:17–24 Old Testament, page 309

Sermon

Hungry for Miracles Matt Helms

Responding to the Word

*Hymn 761 “Called as Partners in Christ’s Service”

*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

“Rhosymedre” Ralph Vaughan Williams

*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

“Ave Verum” Gabriel Fauré

Hail, the very body which was born of the virgin Mary and which suffered on the cross for all of mankind. He, whose side was pierced and from his side there flowed water mixed with blood, be to us a foretaste of everlasting life. O sweetest Jesus, loving Jesus, Son of Mary, have mercy on your people. Amen.

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

Lord, in those times when we feel we are losing hope
and when our efforts feel futile,
help us to remember the promises we have received at this table:
promises of reconciliation and community,
promises of renewal and rebirth.
May those promises sustain us for all our days. Amen.

Bearing the Word into the World

*Hymn 691 “Lord, When I Came into This Life”

*Benediction and Response

Postlude

Fanfare William Mathias

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Matt Helms

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Worship Notes

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 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 WOMEN'S CHOIR is providing musical leadership during worship through July 17. The Women's Choir consists of women from the three adult choirs at Fourth Church; the Chancel Choir, Morning Choir, and Choral Society.

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