

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

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## Gathering around the Word

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### Prelude

Anthems by the National Youth Choir of Scotland

### Introit

“Come, Let Us Journey Now as Children of the Light” . . . . . Shaker melody  
arr. Susan Matsui

*Come, let us journey now as children of the light; in the Lord’s righteousness,  
shadows fall away; virtue is bright; justice, truth before us.  
All illumined, when the light shines, makes the darkness fade unknowing;  
wake now, O sleeper, and rise from the dead, for Christ, his light, is showing.*

\*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:** *Call upon the Lord! I asked for help, and I was healed!*

**People:** **We asked for freedom, and the Lord heard our pleas  
and answered us.**

**Leader:** *Sing to the Lord, all you faithful! Give thanks to God’s holy name.*

**People:** **God turned our mourning into dancing and clothed us with joy!**

**Leader:** *Our hearts sing without ceasing!*

**People:** **O Lord our God, we will always give you thanks!**

### \*Prayer of Praise

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*\*Stand as you are able.*

\*Hymn 435 . . . . . “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Holy God, you see us truly,  
including all the ways we have failed and missed the mark.  
We come to you in hope of being restored and healed.  
We have walked with our heads held high,  
without noticing others and their burdens.  
We are even blinded to our own!  
We keep our mouths silenced when we are full of stories to share  
about the good things that you have done for us.  
We even keep our actions silenced  
as we become so overwhelmed with the needs of the world  
that we do nothing to overcome them.  
Fill us with your peace and with your mercy.  
Free us from the destruction of our failures,  
and restore us to a life lived in you. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

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

Concerns of the Church

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Listening for the Word

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Prayer for Illumination

Psalter (*responsively*)

Psalm 66:1–12 . . . . . Old Testament, page 499

Anthem

“O Sacrum Convivium” . . . . . Vytautas Miskinis  
*O sacred banquet in which Christ is received, the memory of his passion is recalled,  
the spirit is filled with grace and the promise of future glory is given to us, alleluia.*

First Lesson

Luke 10:1–11 . . . . . New Testament, page 66  
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

Galatians 6:1–10 . . . . . New Testament, page 180  
Minister: *The Word of the Lord*.  
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Good of All. . . . . Nanette Sawyer

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Responding to the Word

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\*Hymn 339 . . . . . “Lift Every Voice and Sing”

\*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.

Prayers of the People

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.

## Prayer Response

“O Thou That Hearest Prayer” . . . . . Eric DeLamarter

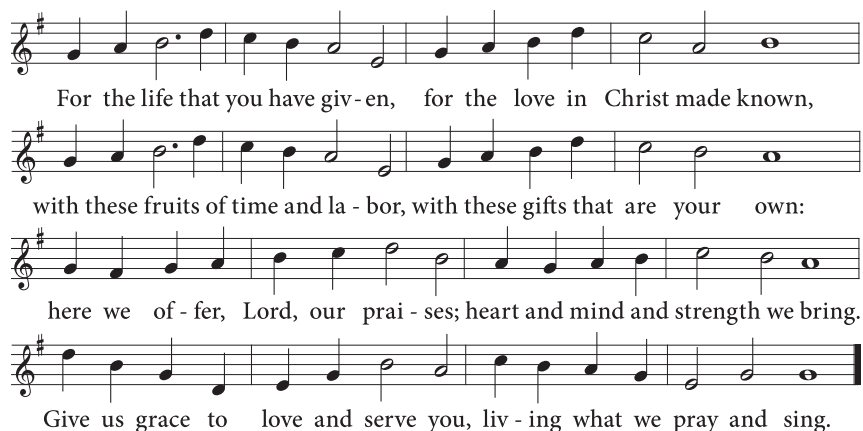
*O thou that hearest prayer, attend our humble cry,  
and let thy servants share thy blessing from on high.  
We plead the promise of thy word; grant us thy Holy Spirit, Lord. Amen.*

## Offertory Anthem

“Ave Maria” . . . . . Franz Biebl

*The angel of the Lord announced to Mary, and she conceived by the Holy Spirit.  
Hail Mary, holy Mary. Behold, the handmaiden of the Lord, do to me  
according to your word; and the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.*

## \*Presentation of the Offering and 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.

## \*Prayer of Dedication (*unison*)

Gracious God, in your love you have given us the strength to stand up and continue on our journey. In your wisdom you have taken a chance on us by allowing us to be part of your holy plans and your message. Help us to use the gifts you have given us with mercy, love, and wisdom, so that we can continue to honor the trust you have put in us. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

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## Bearing the Word into the World

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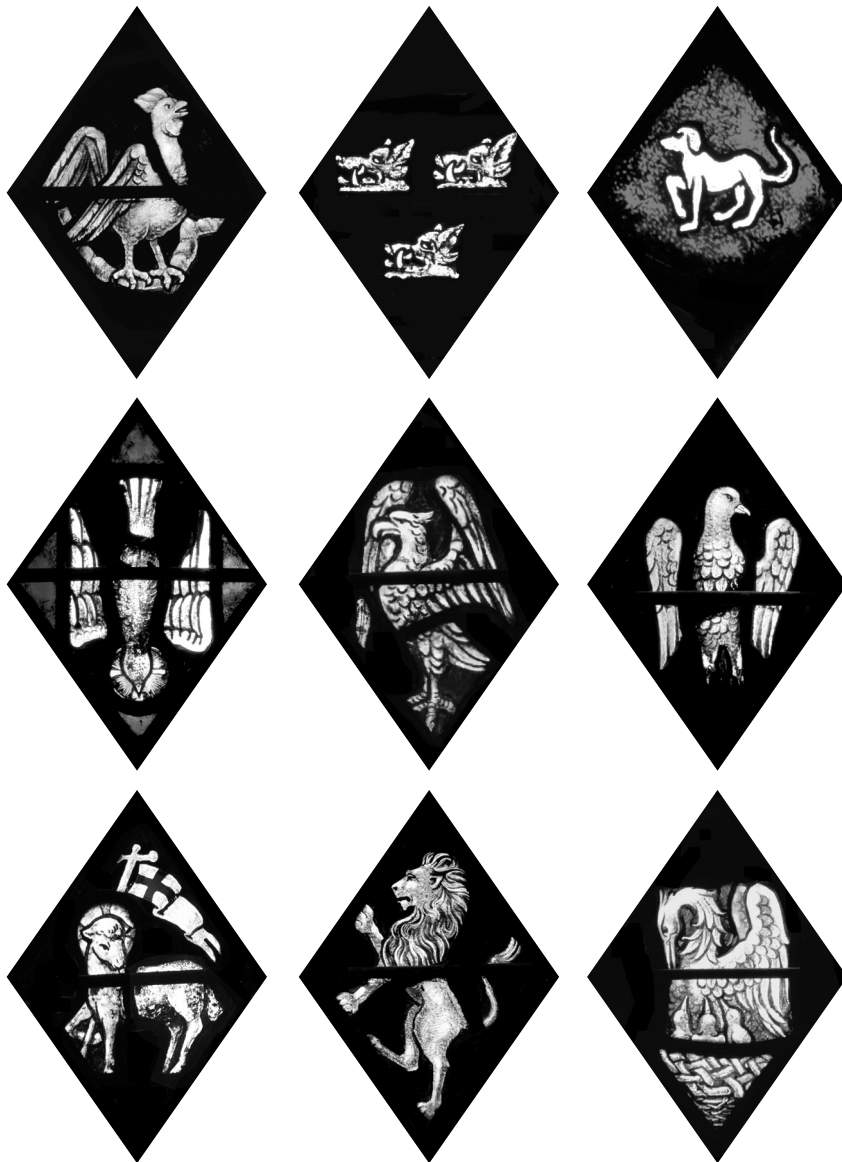
\*Hymn 338 . . . . . “O Beautiful for Spacious Skies”

## \*Benediction and Response

### Postlude

Fugue on “America” . . . . . Eugene Thayer

## IN THE DETAILS



### All Creatures Great and Small

In between every pair of ovals in the *grisaille* stained glass windows (on the north and south walls of the sanctuary) there are small diamonds with various Christian symbols; pictured here are the diamonds that feature animals. (The boars' heads and dogs in the upper right two diamonds above were family crests of the church's architects; both diamonds are above the "Ministers' Plaque" in the north aisle.)

## Worship Leaders

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Rocky Supinger, Judith L. Watt, Nanette Sawyer

## The Music Today

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The National Youth Choir of Scotland; The Women's Choir  
Richard Clemmitt, Guest Organist

## Worship Notes

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TODAY WE WELCOME THE NATIONAL YOUTH CHOIR OF SCOTLAND—on the same day the Fourth Church Touring Choir is singing at St. Giles' Cathedral in Edinburgh, Scotland. We also welcome Richard Clemmitt, Organist and Choirmaster of Christ Episcopal Church in Wilmette, as our guest organist this morning while John Sherer and Thom Gouwens are away.

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.

THE BULLETIN COVER image shows the top of the courtyard fountain, with its inscription from Habakkuk 2:14. The cover quote is from former U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright's 2004 Beecher Lecture at Yale Divinity School, "The Mighty and the Almighty: American Foreign Policy and God."

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