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

Gathering around the Word

Prelude	
Prelude or	n the Name of Alain
Introit	
"Halle, Ha Halleluja	alle, Halle" Caribbean melody; arr. John Bell h!
*Doxology (s	ung)The Hymnal, 606
Praise G	od, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;	
praise God above, ye heavenly host;	
praise Fa	nther, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.
*Call to Wor	rship
Leader:	Happy are those whose way is blameless.
People:	Let us walk in the way of the Lord.
Leader:	Happy are those who keep God's decrees.
People:	Let us seek God with whole hearts.
Leader:	Happy are those who do no wrong.
People:	Let us walk in God's ways.
Leader:	Come, let us praise God.
*Hymn 64	"I Long for Your Commandments"

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Lord God, you hold out a way of blessing and happiness:

walking in your teaching; keeping your decrees; seeking you.

We confess that we choose another way.

We walk in our own teaching; keep our own decrees; seek our own fulfillment.

We do wrong.

Forgive us, O God.

Make our way steadfast and sure.

Make us praise you with upright hearts, so that all may know your goodness and mercy.

Through Christ the righteous. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Concerns of the Church

Anthem

O born of light, thou light indeed, Jesus, our Savior in need.

Abide with us and be near; hear our prayer and praise.

In human form thou wert arrayed and gave thy life for me, a sinner.

O grant that we may reach our goal, to be made one with thee in heart and soul.

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Psalter

Psalm 119:1–8 Old Testament, page 535

*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.

Scripture Lesson

1 Corinthians 3:1–9. New Testament, page 156

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

Responding to the Word

*Affirmation of Faith (unison)............................... from A Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in God the Holy Spirit,

everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

In a broken and fearful world

the Spirit gives us courage

to pray without ceasing;

to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior;

to unmask idolatries in Church and culture;

to hear the voices of peoples long silenced;

and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,

we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks

and to live holy and joyful lives,

even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,

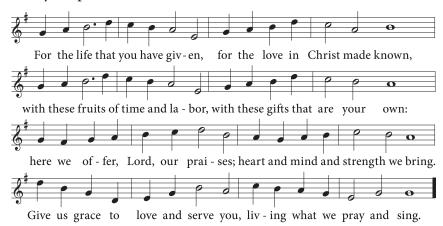
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" Amen.

Offering

Offertory Voluntary

Blessed Jesus, We Are Here Johann Sebastian Bach

*Offertory Response



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 up 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 . . .

... forever singing to the glory of your name:

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, 573

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

"A Gaelic Blessing" John Rutter

Deep peace of the running wave to you; deep peace of the flowing air to you; deep peace of the quiet earth to you; deep peace of the shining stars to you; deep peace of the gentle night to you. Moon and stars pour their healing light on you. Deep peace of Christ, the light of the world, to you.

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 Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Bearing the World into the World

*Benediction

Postlude

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