

*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

Three Pieces for Musical Clock . . . . . Franz Joseph Haydn  
Minuet—Allegretto—Allegro

### Introit

“Come, Thou Almighty King” . . . . . Felice de Gardini  
arr. Theodore Hoelty-Nickel

*Come, thou almighty King, help us thy name to sing; help us to praise:  
Father all glorious, over all victorious, come and reign over us, ancient of days.*

\*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.<sup>†</sup> Amen.

### \*Call to Worship

Leader: *How good it is to sing praises to our God;  
how pleasant it is to honor God with praise!*

People: **The Lord rebuilds the fallen city  
and gathers the victims and exiles into homes.**

Leader: *God heals the brokenhearted and  
binds up the wounds of the injured.*

People: **Great is our God and mighty in power;  
God’s wisdom is beyond our understanding.**

Leader: *As one community in Christ, let us worship God.*

\*Hymn 311 . . . . . “Here, O Lord, Your Servants Gather”

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\*Stand as you are able. <sup>†</sup>Or “Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.”

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Gracious God, we confess that we have alienated ourselves from one another because of differences. We separate people based on what they know or can do. We distance ourselves by beliefs, skin tones, and income levels. We indulge power in just a few instead of building up your whole community. Dissension and resentment result. In a world divided by self-seeking schemes, grant that we may envision wider dreams. Restore to us right relationship with Christ and one another, that we may receive the gift of unity in the Body. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: *Friends, believe the good news.*

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

\*Exchange of Peace

Leader: *The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.*

People: **And also with you.**

*We invite you to greet those around you, wishing them “peace” or “the peace of Christ.”*

Concerns of the Church

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Listening for the Word

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Prayer for Illumination

Psalter (*sung*)

“A Grateful Heart” (Psalm 111) . . . . . The Hymnal, 652

Anthem

“Steal Away” . . . . . African American spiritual; arr. Brazeal W. Dennard  
*Steal away to Jesus, steal away home; I ain’t got long to stay here. My Lord calls me, he calls me by the thunder. The trumpet sounds within my soul. I ain’t got long to stay here. Green trees bending, poor sinner stands trembling. The trumpet sounds within my soul. I ain’t got long to stay here. My Lord calls me, he calls me by the lightning. The trumpet sounds within my soul. I ain’t got long to stay here. Steal away to Jesus, steal away home; I ain’t got long to stay here.*

First Lesson

Acts of the Apostles 18:1–4 . . . . . New Testament, page 129

Leader: *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:<sup>†</sup>  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.

Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 1:10–18 . . . . . New Testament, page 155  
Leader: *The Word of the Lord.*  
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Series: “A Spirit Revolution”

“Bound Together” . . . . . Victoria G. Curtiss

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Responding to the Word

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\*Hymn 300 . . . . . “We Are One in the Spirit”

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

We trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.  
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,  
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,  
and binds us together with all believers  
in the one body of Christ, the church.  
The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles  
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,  
engages us through the Word proclaimed,  
claims us in the waters of baptism,  
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,  
and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.  
With believers in every time and place,  
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us  
from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Offering

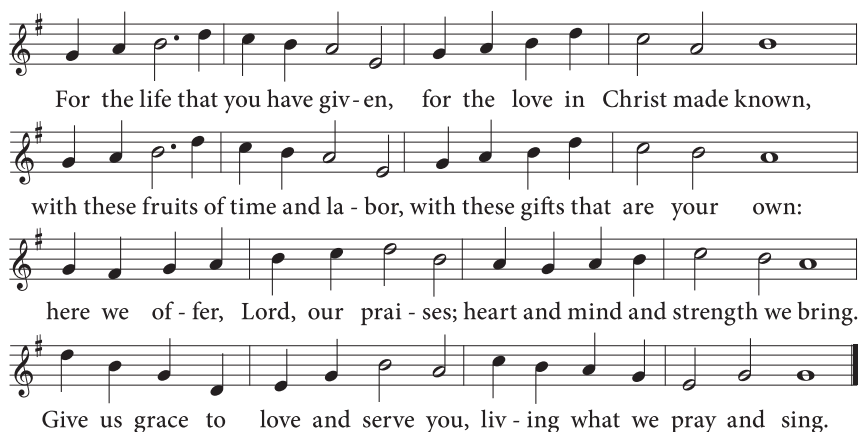
Offertory Voluntary

Allegro from *Symphony in D Major* . . . . . William Boyce

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<sup>†</sup>Or “to the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost.” 5

## \*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.

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## Sealing the Word

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### THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

#### Invitation

#### Great Thanksgiving

Leader: *The Lord be with you.*

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: *Lift up your hearts.*

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: *Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.*

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

#### Prayer

Leader: *It is truly right and our greatest joy . . .*

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

Sanctus (*sung*) . . . . . The Hymnal, 565

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

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

Memorial Acclamation (*sung*) . . . . . The Hymnal, 566

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

“How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds” . . . . . Alexander R. Reinagle  
arr. T. Hoelty-Nickel

*How sweet the name of Jesus sounds in a believer's ear.*

*It soothes all sorrows, heals all wounds, and drives away all fear.*

*It makes the wounded spirit whole and calms the troubled breast;*

*'tis manna to the hungry soul and to the weary, rest.*

*Dear Name, the rock on which I build, my shield and hiding place;*

*my never-failing treasury, filled with boundless stores of grace.*

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

Loving God, you have given us a share in the one bread and the one cup

and made us one with Christ. Help us to bring your salvation and joy

to all the world. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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## Bearing the Word into the World

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\*Hymn 826 . . . . . “Lift High the Cross”

\*Benediction and Response

Postlude

Chant on the First Kyrie. . . . . François Couperin

## Worship Leaders

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Matt Helms, Ruthi Beckman, Victoria G. Curtiss

## The Music Today

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John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music

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## Worship Notes

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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.

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