

MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE Lord, When I Came Into This Life *Leo Sowerby*

INTROIT “Sing Out a Joyful Song” *Dale Wood*
Sing out a joyful song in praise and come to celebrate!
With cheerful heart, give thanks to God for goodness
ever great. Sing new songs of joy; to God lift your voice!
Sing new songs of praise; give thanks and rejoice!
Sing out the hymn, the joyful psalm, the canticle of praise,
and with the builders of this house, your alleluias raise!

***DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION** (The Hymnal, 592)

***HYMN 465** “Here, O Lord, Your Servants Gather” *Tune: TOKYŌ*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

**God our light and our salvation,
forgive our lack of faithfulness.
We have wandered from your ways,
pursuing our own agenda
as if it were superior to trusting in you.
Heal the brokenness that separates us
from one another and from our own true selves.
Liberate us from fears that immobilize and distort.
Grant us new depths of caring
and fuller encounters with the one who heals
and sends us forth to tell the good news.
In Jesus’ name. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

MINUTE FOR MISSION

PSALTER Psalm 27:4–9 (*responsively*) (page 476, O.T.)

ANTHEM “Lord, Make Us Servants” *Robert N. Roth*

Lord, make us servants of your peace. Where there is hate, may we sow love; where there is hurt, may we forgive; where there is strife, may we make one. Where all is doubt, may we sow faith; where all is gloom, may we sow hope; where all is night, may we sow light; where all is tears, may we sow joy. Jesus, our Lord, may we not seek to be consoled as to console; nor look to understanding hearts, but look for hearts to understand. May we not look for love’s return, but seek to love unselfishly; for in our giving we receive and in forgiving are forgiven. Dying, we live and are reborn though death’s dark night to endless day. Lord, make us servants of your peace, to wake at last in heaven’s light.

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 9:1–4 (page 600, O.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

***GLORIA PATRI** (The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON Matthew 4:12–23 (page 3, N.T.)

SERMON More Than Tagging Along *VICTORIA G. CURTISS*

***HYMN 388** “O Jesus, I Have Promised” *Tune: ANGEL’S STORY*

***APOSTLES’ CREED** (*unison*)

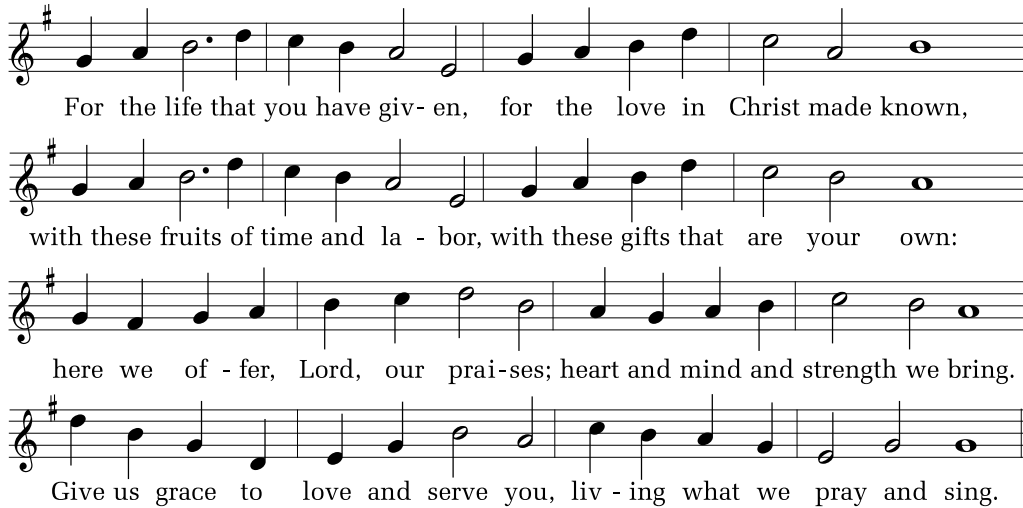
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;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

*African American spiritual
arr. Richard Walters*

*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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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.

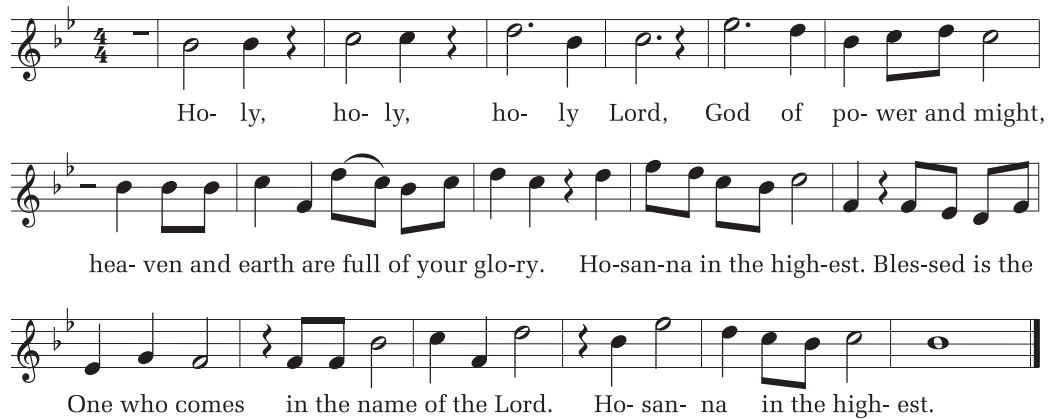
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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:



Ho- ly, ho- ly, ho- ly Lord, God of po- wer and might,
hea- ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bles-sed is the
One who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho- san- na in the high- est.

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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

“Save Us, O Lord”

Thomas Matthews

Save us, O Lord, waking; guard us sleeping; that awake
we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (*unison*)

We praise you for nurturing us at this table
where all are welcome and no one goes hungry.
As Christ sacrificed his life for us, we pray,
O God, that you strengthen us to sacrifice ourselves
for the sake of your kingdom on earth.
Amen.

***HYMN 343**

“Called as Partners in Christ’s Service”

Tune: BEECHER

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee

Johann Sebastian Bach

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Matthew J. Helms, Thomas C. Rook, Victoria G. Curtiss

THE MUSIC TODAY

The Chancel Choir; Cole Seaton, soloist

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist and Handbell Director

WORSHIP NOTES

This morning's Minute for Mission is presented by Kim Grady, Mission Benefit Co-Chair, on behalf of the 2011 Mission Benefit Committee.

This morning, Communion is served by intinction. The congregation will come forward by the center aisle to receive the bread, which they will then dip into the chalice of grape juice. (Gluten-free bread is available in a small tumbler in each basket of bread.) Worshipers will 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.

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