

MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me *Seth Bingham*

INTROIT “The Lord Is in His Holy Temple” *Eric DeLamarter*
The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth
keep silence before him. Amen.

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

***HYMN 483** “Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above”
Tune: MIT FREUDEN ZART

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Eternal God,
in every age you have raised up
men and women to live and die in faith.
We confess that we are indifferent to your will.
You call us to proclaim your name,
but we are silent.
You call us to do what is just,
but we remain idle.
You call us to live faithfully,
but we are afraid.
In your mercy, forgive us.
Give us courage to follow in your way,
that joined with those from ages past,
who have served you with faith, hope, and love,
we may inherit the kingdom
you promised in Jesus Christ.
Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER Psalm 124 (*sung*) (The Hymnal, 236)

ANTHEM “Steal Away” *African American spiritual*
Michael Richardson

Steal away to Jesus. Steal away home, I ain’t got long
to stay here. My Lord, he calls me in the thunder.
The trumpet sounds within my soul. Steal away to Jesus.
Steal away home, I ain’t got long to stay here.

FIRST LESSON Romans 12:1–8 (page 151, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

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

SECOND LESSON Matthew 16:13–20 (page 17, N.T.)

SERMON CALUM I. MACLEOD

Simon, You Rock!

“And I tell you, you are Peter.” Matthew 16:18 (NRSV)

***HYMN 372** “Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”
Tune: I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

***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.**

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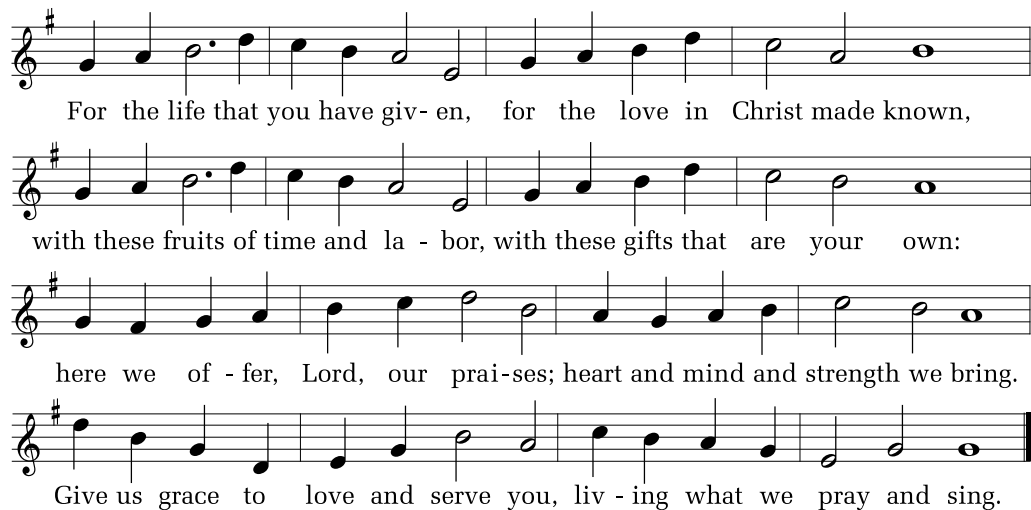
OFFERTORY SOLO

“Ingemisco” from *Requiem*

Giuseppe Verdi

I groan, like the sinner that I am. Guilt reddens my face;
O God, spare the suppliant. Thou, who pardoned many
and heeded the thief, hast given me hope as well.
My prayers are unworthy, but thou, good one, in pity
let me not burn in the eternal fire. Give me a place among
the sheep and separate me from the goats; let me stand at
thy right hand.

*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.

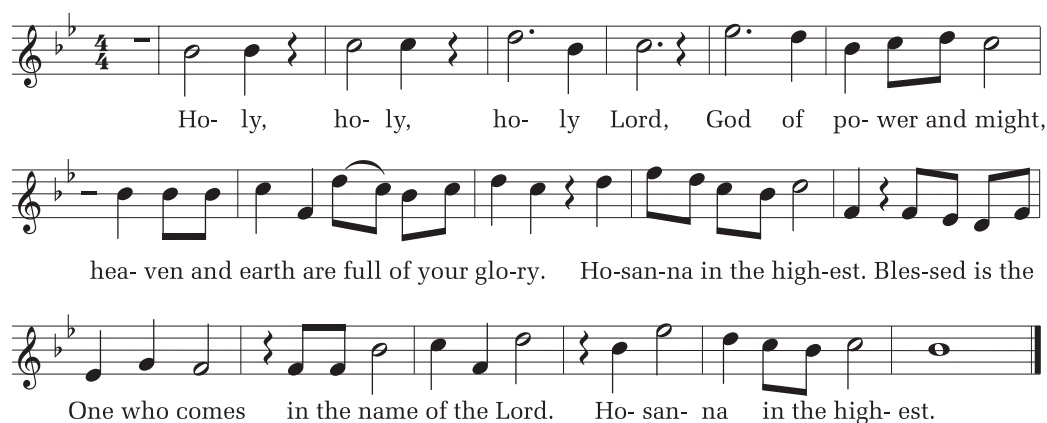
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

PRAYER

Minister: Gratitude, praise, hearts lifted high . . .
. . . who forever sing to the glory of your name:



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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 "O Christ, Thou Lamb of God" *Anonymous*
arr. Theodore Hoelty-Nickel

O Christ, thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin
of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, thou Lamb
of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us
thy peace. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (*unison*)

God of mercy,
we praise you that in love
you have reached across the abyss of our sin
and brought us into your embrace.
We thank you for the sacrifice
of your Son on the cross,
for the breaking of his body for our sakes.
By your Spirit,
give us the grace of repentance
and guide us in ways of righteousness.
Take our humble offerings
as tokens of our commitment
to follow Jesus Christ,
our crucified and risen Lord.
Amen.

***HYMN 402**

“Now Praise the Hidden God of Love”

Tune: DICKINSON COLLEGE

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

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

WORSHIP LEADERS

Thomas C. Rook, Judith Watt, Calum I. MacLeod

THE MUSIC TODAY

Men of the Morning Choir; Mark Eldred, tenor soloist

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist and Handbell Director

WORSHIP NOTES

This morning's prelude is Seth Bingham's interpretation of the American hymn "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me," originally written in 1830 by Thomas Hastings (1784–1872).

The men of the Morning Choir are singing during morning worship services in August. The full choir will return in September.

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.

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