**MORNING WORSHIP**

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

**PRELUDE**
Deck Yourself, My Soul, with Gladness

*Johann Sebastian Bach*

**INTROIT**
“My Lord, What a Morning”

*African American spiritual*

*arr. R. Lee Williams*

My Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall.
You’ll hear the trumpet sound to wake the nations underground, looking to my God’s right hand, when the stars begin to fall.

**DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION**

*(The Hymnal, 592)*

**HYMN 483**
“Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above”

*Tune: MIT FREUDEN ZART*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** *(unison)*

God of mercy,
you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost.
We confess that we have strayed from you
and turned aside from your way.
We are misled by pride,
for we see ourselves pure when we are stained,
and great when we are small.
We have failed in love,
egnected justice,
and ignored your truth.
Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin.
Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

**DECLARATION OF PARDON**

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

**CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH**

*Stand as you are able*
**ANthem**  
"Like as We Do Put Our Trust“  
*Charles Wesley*  
Like as we do put our trust in thee,  
let thy merciful kindness, O Lord, be upon us.

**Psalter**  
Psalms 89:1–8 *(responsively)*  
*(page 516, O.T.)*

**Gloria Patri**  
*(The Hymnal, 579)*

**Scripture Lesson**  
Mark 6:30–44  
*(page 38, N.T.)*  
Minister: The Word of the Lord.  
People: *Thanks be to God.*

**Sermon**  
Hounded by God  
*John H. Boyle*

**Hymn 384**  
"O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go“  
*Tune: St. Margaret*

**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  “A Simple Song” from Mass  Leonard Bernstein

Sing God a simple song: lauda, laude.
Make it up as you go along: lauda, laude.
Sing like you like to sing.
God loves all simple things,
for God is the simplest of all.
I will sing the Lord a new song to praise him,
to bless the Lord.
I will sing his praises while I live, all of my days.
Blessed is the man who loves the Lord,
blessed is the man who praises him, lauda, laude,
and walks in his ways.
I will lift up my eyes to the hills
from whence comes my help.
I will lift up my voice to the Lord, singing lauda, laude.
For the Lord is my shade,
is the shade upon my right hand,
and the sun shall not smite me
by day nor the moon by night.

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known,

with these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own:

here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring.

Give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.

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:


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 God, Thou Faithful God”  
German melody  
arr. Theodore Hoelty-Nickel

O God, thou faithful God, thou fountain ever flowing,  
who good and perfect gifts in mercy art bestowing,  
give me a healthy frame and may I have within a  
conscience free from blame, a soul unhurt by sin.  
Grant thou me strength to do with ready heart  
and willing whatever thou shalt command,  
my calling here fulfilling; to do good when I ought,  
with all my might and bless the work I thus  
have wrought, for thou must give success.  
If dangers gather round, still keep me calm and fearless;  
help me to bear the cross when life is dark and  
cheerless, and let me win my foe with words  
and actions kind. When counsel I would know,  
good counsel let me find.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

Out of your grace, O God,  
you have come to us in Jesus Christ.  
Out of our need,  
we have received food  
for our starving souls and spiritual hunger.  
Receive our thanksgiving  
and grant us grace to serve you with compassion and  
care for all who hunger and thirst  
for the blessing of your love.  
In the name of the one who is our host at this table,  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN 261  
“God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us”  
Tune: O QUANTA QUALIA

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE  
God of Grace  
Paul Manz
**Worship Leaders**
Joyce Shin, Hardy H. Kim, John H. Boyle

**The Music Today**
Men of the Morning Choir
Cole Seaton, soloist
John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music

**Worship Notes**

**Fourth Church expresses its thanks** to the men of the Chancel and Morning Choirs for singing in June and July. The women of the Chancel and Morning Choirs will sing next Sunday and throughout August.

**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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