

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

Gathering around the Word

Prelude

Dearest Jesus, We Are Here Johann Sebastian Bach
Chorale in A Minor César Franck

Introit

“Jesu, Tawa Pano” Patrick Matsikenyiri
Jesus, we are here for you.

*Doxology (*sung*). The Hymnal, 592

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. Amen.

*Call to Worship

Minister: *In the midst of a world where people hunger and thirst,*

People: **come worship a God who feeds the hungry.**

Minister: *In the midst of a world filled with wars,*

People: **come worship a God who desires nothing less than peace.**

Minister: *In the midst of a world of spiritual emptiness,*

People: **come worship a God who gives life meaning.**

Minister: *Let us all worship our God,*

whose grace and love know no end!

*Prayer of Praise

*Hymn 376 “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

**Stand as you are able.*

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Gracious God,
you invite us to live into your image,
but we confess that too often we say one thing with our lips
and another with our lives.
Help us to make our deeds fit our words.
Help our conduct match our affirmations of faith.
Forgive us when we say
that we will follow you into the world,
yet we stay behind
with our feet firmly planted in comfortable places.
Forgive us for any hypocrisy.
Forgive us for any neglect.
Fill us with such gratitude
that we cannot help but live and love differently.
And may we live into your image
and see that image in all those we meet.
In your Son's name we pray. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

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

Concerns of the Church

Minute for Discipleship

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Psalter (*responsively*)

Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16 Old Testament, page 508

Anthem

“Oculi Omnium” Hieronymus Praetorius
*We turn our eyes to you, hoping for your grace, O Lord,
for you bring us comfort in time of need or sorrow;
you open your hand and satisfy the desires of the needy.*

First Lesson

Philippians 2:1-13. New Testament, page 186
Leader: *The Word of the Lord.*
People: Thanks be to God.

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

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.

Second Lesson

Matthew 21:23–32. New Testament, page 22

Minister: *The Word of the Lord.*

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Shannon J. Kershner

Responding to the Word

*Hymn 413 “All Who Love and Serve Your City”

*Affirmation of Faith (*unison*). Apostles’ Creed

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.

Prayers of the People and 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.

Prayer Response

“Amen” Dale Wood

Offering

Offertory Anthem

“Jubilate Deo” Hans Hassler

*Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
Worship the Lord with gladness;
come into his presence with singing;
know that the Lord is God.
It is he that made us, and we are his;
we are his people;
and the sheep of his pasture.*

*Presentation of the Offering and 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.

*Prayer of Dedication (*unison*)

Loving God,
we give thanks for all you have given to us
and praise you for your astounding goodness.
Receive the dedication
of our hearts, minds, and bodies
for the ministry of your church.
Bless our offering for the work of your reign,
and give us wisdom
for the right use of all you have provided,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Commissioning of Ushers

*Hymn 420 “God of Grace and God of Glory”

Bearing the Word into the World

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Fugue in G Minor J. S. Bach

USHER COMMISSIONING

*Today's commissioning of Fourth Church ushers
is an affirmation of their dedicated service to our church,
its members, and those who are among us as visitors.*

Gordon Addington	Joe Fong	Marc Miller
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Worship Leaders

Hardy H. Kim, Geoff Anderson, Joyce Shin, Shannon J. Kershner

The Music Today

The Chancel Choir; the Morning Choir

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

Worship Notes

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THE CHANCEL CHOIR JOINS THE MORNING CHOIR THIS MORNING to sing two anthems intended to be sung by double choirs. They will be singing from the north and south transept balconies. Anyone interested in singing with the Chancel Choir during 8:00 a.m. services is invited to attend rehearsal on Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. For more information, please contact John Sherer at 312.787.4570.

AS THE BULLETIN HEADINGS REMIND US, the center of our worship is the Word—both Scripture and the Living Word of God, Jesus Christ. We listen for the Word of God. We respond in song, affirmation of our faith, prayer, and the giving of our gifts and dedication of our lives, and then God sends us back into the world to live out our faith, looking for God's work all around us.

THE BULLETIN COVER photo depicts leaves and tiny flowers in the Michigan Avenue courtyard following a May rainstorm.

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