Gathering around the Word

Prelude
The RisingPaul Sullivan
Introit
"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" Thomas Jarman O for a thousand tongues to sing my dear redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!
*Doxology (sung)
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.
*Invocation
*Hymn 461 "God Is Here!"
 Prayer of Confession (unison) God, you are bigger than we can imagine. Try as we might, we cannot contain you. Forgive us when, in our attempt to know you, we try to pin you down to look like us and to take our side. Be our great corrective forever and ever. Amen.
Declaration of Pardon
Minister: <i>Friends, believe the good news.</i> People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Concerns of the Church

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Illumination
Psalter (responsively)
Psalm 99 Old Testament, page 522
Anthem
"Amazing Grace" American folk tune arr. Richard Proulx
First Lesson
Exodus 33:12-23Old Testament, page 77Leader:The Word of the Lord.People:Thanks be to God.
*Gloria Patri (sung)
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 22:15–22.New Testament, page 23Minister: The Word of the Lord.People: Thanks be to God.
Sermon
The Humanity of God Joyce Shin "But you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live." Exodus 33:20 (NRSV)

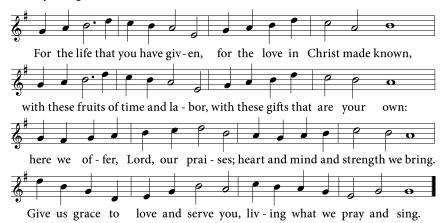
Responding to the Word

*Hymn 399	"We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight"
*Affirmation of Faith (unison)	Apostles' Creed
I believe in God the Father Almig	çhty,
Maker of heaven and earth,	
and in Jesus Christ his only Son o	our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy G	host,
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 t	the dead;
he ascended into heaven,	
and sitteth on the right hand of G	od the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judg	ge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the h	oly catholic church;
the communion of saints; the for	giveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;	
and the life everlasting. Amen.	
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Offering

Offertory Voluntary	
Suite in C Major	

*Offertory Response



Sealing the Word

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:



The Lord's Prayer (unison)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by 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

In the name of your Son Jesus Christ we pray.

Amen.

*Hymn 263 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Bearing the Word into the World

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Trumpet Voluntary in D Major. William Boyce

Worship Leaders

Matt Helms, Jim Kendzel, Joyce Shin

The Music Today

The Chancel Choir Carol Carpenter, flutist John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

Worship Notes

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 Lord's Supper is the sign and seal of eating and drinking in communion with the crucified and risen Lord. In this act, we remember that during his earthly ministry, Jesus shared meals with his followers and sat at dinner tables as a sign of acceptance of the sinner and the outcast.

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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