

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

Gathering around the Word

Prelude

Prelude and Fugue in C Major “Fanfare”. Johann Sebastian Bach

Introit

“Benedictus”. Leo Sowerby
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

*Doxology (*sung*). The Hymnal, 606

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

Leader: *Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.*

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*Proclamation of the Entrance into Jerusalem

Matthew 21:1–11. New Testament, page 21

*Prayer

*Hymn 196 “All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

Concerns of the Church

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Psalter (*responsively*)

Psalms 118:1–2, 19–29 Old Testament, page 534

Anthem

“Hosanna to the Son of David” Malcolm Archer

Hosanna to the Son of David. Hosanna to the King of Israel.

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First Reading

Philippians 2:5–11 New Testament, page 186

Leader: *The Word of the Lord.*

People: Thanks be to God.

Reading of the Passion

Matthew 27:11–54. New Testament, page 30

Extinguishing the Sixth Lenten Candle

Kyrie Franz Schubert

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: *Friends, believe the good news.*

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Reflection Judith L. Watt

Responding to the Word

*Hymn 209 “My Song Is Love Unknown”

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

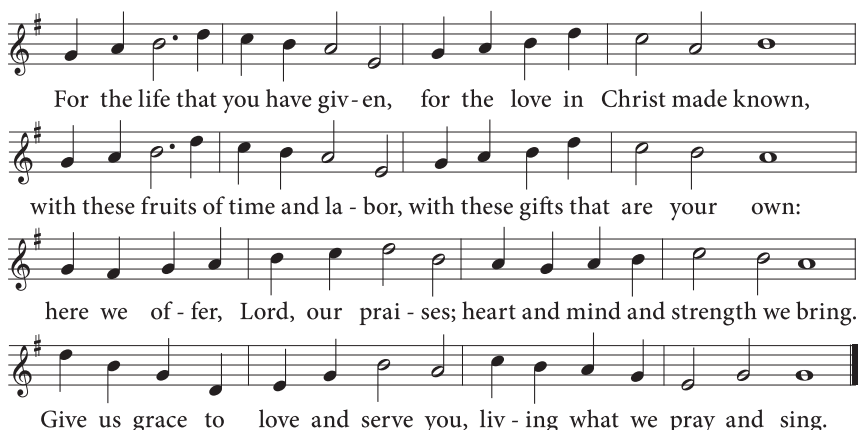
I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;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

Offering

Offertory Voluntary

Intermezzo in G Major Hermann Schroeder

*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.

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 up 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 . . .*

. . . forever singing to the glory of your name:

Sanctus (*sung*) The Hymnal, 572

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Minister: . . . *Great is the mystery of faith:*

Memorial Acclamation (*sung*) The Hymnal, 573

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

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

“So Lowly Doth the Savior Ride” Austin Lovelace

*So lowly doth the Savior ride a paltry borrowed beast;
nor pomp, nor show, nor lofty pride, nor boast above the least,
but children run and shout with glee, “Hosanna to our King,”
and multitudes crowd forth to see him pass and praises sing.
He needeth not a golden crown, nor chariot of state,
nor saber at his side, nor frown, his will to indicate.
His scepter is his kindness, his grandeur is his grace,
his royalty is his holiness, and love is in his face.
’Tis thus the dear Messiah came to break the tyrant’s will,
to heal the people of their shame and nobleness instill.
Ride on, O King, while we of low degree
exalt and usher in the day of peace we long to see.*

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

God, our help and strength, you have satisfied our hunger with this eucharistic food. Strengthen our faith, that through the death and resurrection of your Son we may be led to salvation, for he is Lord now and forever. Amen.

Bearing the Word into the World

*Hymn 216 “Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

*Benediction and Response

Postlude

Voluntary in C Major H. Schroeder

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Victoria G. Curtiss, Jim Ford, Judith L. Watt

The Music Today

The Chancel Choir

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

Worship Notes

EACH SUNDAY DURING LENT we are extinguishing a candle at the front of the Sanctuary. Just as we lit candles on the Advent wreath to symbolize the light coming into the world through the birth of Christ, so now our extinguishing of candles points to the Lenten progression from light to darkness as we make our way to Good Friday and the crucifixion.

THE ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING is being received throughout Lent. Gifts to this offering support Chicago Lights Tutoring and Elam Davies Social Service Center; Fourth Church Meals Ministry; and the work of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Hunger, and Self-Development of People Programs. To make a “One Great Hour of Sharing” gift, you can use the envelopes in the pew racks or write “Lenten Offering” on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

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