

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

Gathering around the Word

Prelude

Voluntary Thomas Arne

Introit

“O Lord, Open Thou Our Lips” Richard Webster

O Lord, open thou our lips; and our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

O God, make speed to save us; O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory 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.

Praise ye the Lord; the Lord’s name be praised.

*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.

*Invocation

*Hymn 409 “God Is Here!”

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Loving God, through your Son you have called us to repent of our sin,
to believe the good news, and to celebrate the coming of your reign.

We confess those times when we justify instead of repent;
when we doubt instead of believe; when we resist instead of celebrate.

Forgive us and transform us, that we may forsake old ways

and proclaim the gospel of new life to a broken world.

Through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

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

*Exchange of Peace

Leader: *The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.*
People: **And also with you.**
We invite you to greet those around you, wishing them “peace” or “the peace of Christ.”

Concerns of the Church

Anthem

“I Sought the Lord” Wilbur Held
*I sought the Lord and afterward I knew he moved my soul to seek him, seeking me.
It was not I that found, O Savior true; no, I was found of thee. Thou didst reach forth
thy hand and mine enfold; I walked and sank not on the storm-vexed sea. 'Twas not
so much that I on thee took hold, as thou, dear Lord, on me. I find, I walk, I love, but
O, the whole of love is but my answer, Lord, to thee! For thou wert long beforehand
with my soul; always thou lovedst me.*

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Psalter (*responsively*)

Psalms 62:5–12 Old Testament, page 498

*Gloria Patri (*sung*). The Hymnal, 581

**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.**

Scripture Lesson

Mark 1:14–20 New Testament, page 33
Minister: *The Word of the Lord.*
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon Rocky Supinger

Responding to the Word

*Hymn 721 “Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”

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

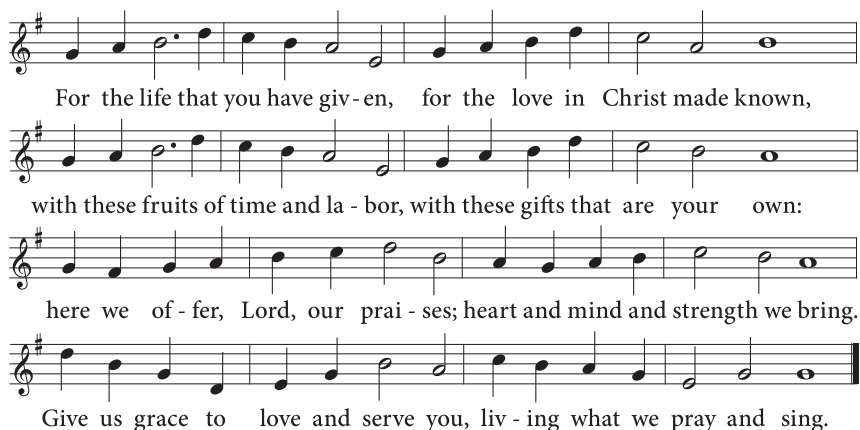
I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;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

Berceuse Louis Vierne

*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, 565

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, hosanna in the highest.

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

Memorial Acclamation (*sung*) The Hymnal, 566

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

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

“Christ, Thou Lamb of God” Ludwig Lenel
Christ, thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
Christ, thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
Christ, thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.
Amen.

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

O God, you have so greatly loved us, long sought us, and mercifully redeemed us. Give us grace, that in everything we may yield ourselves, our wills, and our works, a continual thank-offering to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Bearing the Word into the World

- *Hymn 177 “I Will Come to You”
- *Benediction and Response
- Postlude
- If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee Johann Sebastian Bach

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 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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The Music Today

The Chancel Choir

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Grant Nill, Organ Scholar

Worship Notes

TODAY'S MINUTE FOR MISSION is presented by Chris Horsman, co-chair with Sara Pfaff for this year's 25th anniversary Chicago Lights Gala of Hope.

FOURTH CHURCH OFFERS A VARIETY of worship opportunities on Sundays, including this 8:00 a.m. Communion service, worship at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m., and a jazz service with Communion at 4:00 p.m. Each Wednesday at 9:30 a.m., Morning Prayer is held in Buchanan Chapel as a time to remember in prayer members of the Fourth Church congregation and those in need. We will also offer a service in the style of Taizé this Friday, January 26 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

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