

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

Gathering around the Word

Prelude

Prière from *Suite Gothique* Léon Boëllmann

Introit

“Sanna, Sannanina” South African song
arr. Greg Scheer

*Holy, most holy Lord, Lord God of power and might,
heaven and earth are filled with your holy light.
O blessed is the one who comes in the name of God.
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: *In your wisdom, O God, you call us here to worship you.*

All: **We gather, alive to the Word of God.**

Leader: *You call us to be fully alive with your life abundant,
ready to listen and respond with heart, soul, strength, and mind.*

All: **We listen, alive to the Word of God.**

Leader: *You call us to be always watchful for your Word of wisdom,
sometimes startling and unexpected,
sometimes still and quiet,
but always dwelling among us.*

All: **We watch and wait for the Word of God.**

*Hymn 401 “Here in This Place”

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and to save the lost,
but we confess that we have strayed from you
and turned aside from your way.
We have been misled by our pride,
seeing ourselves as blameless, even when we are to blame,
and seeing ourselves as great, when instead we are small.
We have failed to love more widely,
neglected justice for those who are oppressed, and ignored your truth.
Have mercy on us, O Lord, and forgive our sin.
Return us to your paths, through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

Minute for Mission

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Psalter (*responsively*)

Psalm 111 Old Testament, page 531

Anthem

“Just as I Am” Bob Chilcott
*Just as I am without one plea but that thy blood was shed for me, and that thou bid'st
me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come. Just as I am, though tossed about with many
a conflict, many a doubt, fightings within and fears without, O Lamb of God, I come.
Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; sight, riches, healing of the mind, yea, all I need,
in thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come. Just as I am, wilt thou receive, welcome,
pardon, cleanse, relieve, because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come.
Just as I am, thy love unknown has broken every barrier down; now to be thine, yea,
thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come. Just as I am, of that free love the breadth, length,
depth, and height to prove, here for a season, then above, O Lamb of God, I come.*

First Lesson

1 Corinthians 8:1–6 New Testament, page 160

Leader: *The Word of the Lord.*

People: Thanks be to God.

*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.

Second Lesson

Mark 1:21–28 New Testament, page 33

Minister: *The Word of the Lord.*

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“A New Teaching . . . with Authority!” Matt Helms

Responding to the Word

*Hymn 726 “Will You Come and Follow Me”

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

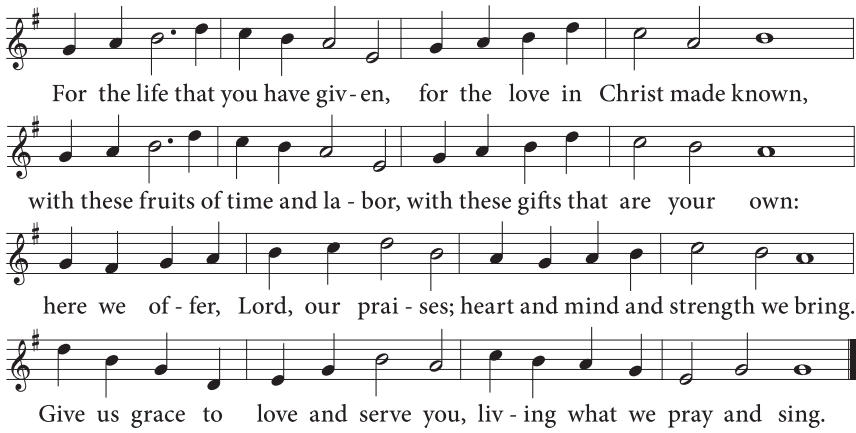
I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;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

Air from *Orchestral Suite No. 3*. Johann Sebastian Bach

*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

"Panis Angelicus" Thomas Pavlechko

The bread of angels becomes the bread for all; the bread of heaven is given a bounded form. O wondrous thing! The poor and humble feed on their Lord. Of you, threefold and one God, we ask: come to visit us as we worship you; lead us on your paths to where we should go, to the light in which you dwell.

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

Gracious God, we thank you for what you have given

and for what you have promised us here.

You have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.

You have fed us with the bread and cup and renewed us for your service.

May our love be your love, reaching out into the life of the world

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Bearing the Word into the World

*Hymn 543 "God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me"

*Benediction and Response

Postlude

Toccatà in E Minor. Johann Pachelbel

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Worship Notes

TODAY'S MINUTE FOR MISSION is presented by Fourth Church Youth on behalf of the Souper Bowl of Caring.

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.

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