

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

Gathering around the Word

Prelude :: Annum per Annum Arvo Pärt
Kyrie—Gloria—Credo—Sanctus—Agnus Dei

Introit :: “Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee” John B. Dykes; arr. Norman J. Clayton
*Jesus, the very thought of thee with sweetness fills my breast;
but sweeter far thy face to see, and in thy presence rest.*

*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: *Gather us in, the lost and the lonely, the broken and breaking,
the tired and the aching who long for the nourishment found at your feast.*

People: *Gather us in, the done and the doubting, the wishing and the wondering,
the puzzled and pondering who long for the company found at your feast.*

Leader: *Gather us in, the proud and the pretentious, the sure and superior,
the never inferior who long for the leveling found at your feast.*

People: *Gather us in from corner or limelight, from mansion or campsite,
from fears and obsession, from tears and depression, from untold excesses,
from treasured successes. Gather us in to be found at the feast.*

All: *Gather us in, O God. Gather us in.*

*Prayer of Praise

*Hymn 511 “Come, Behold! the Feast of Heaven”

*Stand as you are able. †Or “Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.”

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

God of forgiveness,
we pray for new life as we confess our old ways.
We hear your promise that the old passes away
and that you make all things new,
but we hear it amid our self-doubt.
We confess our desire for guarantees
when what you offer us is even greater hope.
When you call us to obedience, we set conditions.
When you call us to follow, we ask “Where?”
Forgive our reluctance to leave our false comforts
in order to walk in your newness of life.
Forgive our distrust, our anxiety, our fear. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

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

Concerns of the Church

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Psalter (*responsively*) :: Psalm 49:1–12 Old Testament, page 491

*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 :: Luke 12:13–21. New Testament, page 70

Sermon :: “Ownership” Judith L. Watt

[†]Or “to the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost.”

Responding to the Word

*Hymn 515 “I Come with Joy”

*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

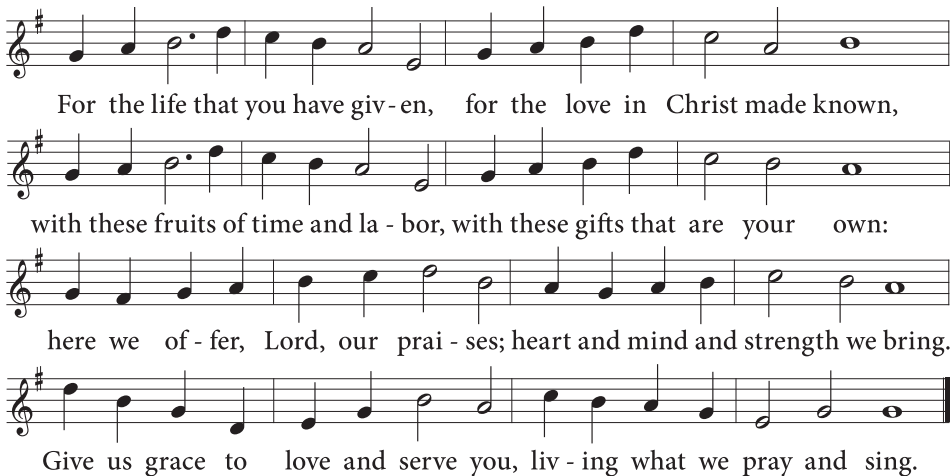
Offertory Anthem :: “Panis Angelicus” César Franck; arr. Marie Stultz

The bread of angels is made the bread of all today, the living bread from heaven.

O wondrous gift indeed, the poor and lowly may feed upon their Lord.

*Thee, therefore, we implore, O God, one in three, so may thou visit us as we now worship thee,
and lead us on our way, that we at last may see the light wherein thou dwellest.*

*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

Leader: *The Lord be with you.*

People: And also with you.

Leader: *Lift up your hearts.*

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: *Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.*

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Prayer

Leader: *It is truly right and our greatest joy . . . forever singing to the glory of your name:*

Sanctus (*sung*) The Hymnal, 552

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.

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

Memorial Acclamation (*sung*). The Hymnal, 553

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 Anthems

“Ave Verum” Gabriel Fauré

Hail, true body born of the virgin Mary, having truly suffered, was sacrificed on the cross for all, from whose pierced side water and blood flowed, be for us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in the trial of death. A sweet Jesus, O holy Jesus, O Jesus, Son of Mary, have mercy on me. Amen.

“Tantum ergo” G. Fauré

In adoration, lo, the sacred host we hail; over ancient forms departing newer rites of grace prevail; faith for all defects supplying, where the feeble senses fail. To the everlasting Father, and the Son who reigns on high, with the Holy Ghost proceeding forth from each eternally, be salvation, honor, blessing, might, and endless majesty. Amen.

Psalm 23 (recited in unison after all have received the cup)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; he leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul; he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name’s sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil;
for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies;
thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Prayer after Communion (unison)

Loving God, thank you that you always desire to feed us, to nurture us, to make us whole. We pray that you remind us of this meal in the days to come. Remind us that we have been fed, that we have been forgiven, that you have called us by name, and that we are yours. May those reminders help us feed and nurture others with love and forgiveness and welcome. Amen.

Bearing the Word into the World

*Hymn 536 “Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen”

*Benediction and Response

Postlude ♯ Carillon William Mathias

Worship Leaders

9:30 Rocky Supinger, Craig Morrison, Joseph L. Morrow, Judith L. Watt

11:00 Rocky Supinger, Melanie Pierce, Joseph L. Morrow, Judith L. Watt

The Music Today

Women's Choir

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

Worship Notes

THIS MORNING'S PRELUDE, "Annum per Annum," or "Year by Year," was commissioned in 1980 for the 900th anniversary of the Catholic cathedral in Speyer, Germany. The title of the piece and its movements is a celebration that communion was celebrated at the cathedral every day for those 900 years.

FOURTH CHURCH OFFERS A VARIETY of worship opportunities on Sundays, including an 8:00 a.m. Communion service and a jazz service with Communion at 4:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. This afternoon our Jazz at Four service will take place outdoors in our Michigan Avenue courtyard. 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.

THE BULLETIN COVER photo depicts two birds drinking from the fountain in the Michigan Avenue courtyard. The cover quote is from Walter Brueggemann's prayer "We Are Much Drawn to Circuses" in his book *Awed to Heaven, Rooted in Earth*.

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