

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Prelude J Titelouze, *Veni Creator Spiritus*

The Gathering of the People of God

Sung Processional (TIS 100 v.7)

The cantor sings the first line, then we stand to sing as the Scriptures are brought into the worship space:

***Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship him in humbleness,***

O praise Him! Alleluia!

***Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One!***

O praise Him! O praise Him!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Call to Worship

God's Spirit calls to our spirits,
calls us into worship.

God's Spirit calls to our spirits,
calls us into love.

God's Spirit calls to our spirits,
calls us to be made anew.

cf. Romans 8.14-16

Prayer of invocation

Hymn 402 Come, gracious Spirit

1. Come, gracious Spirit, heavenly dove,
with light and comfort from above;
come, be our guardian and our guide;
o'er every thought and step preside.

2. The light of truth to us display
and make us know and choose your way;
plant holy fear in every heart,
that we from God may not depart.
3. Lead us to Christ, the living Way,
nor let us from his pastures stray:
lead us to holiness, the road
that we must take to dwell with God.
4. Lead us to heaven, that we may share
fullness of joy for ever there;
lead us to God, our final rest,
to be with him for ever blest.

*Simon Browne, 1680-1732 (alt.)
Public Domain*

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you. *2 Corinthians 13.13*

With the Children

The Word Spoken: Scripture and Preaching

The Testimony of Scripture

Your word, O Lord, is a lamp to our feet
and a light to our path.

Romans 8:22-27 *The Spirit intercedes for the saints*

Psalms 104:24-34, 35b *You renew the face of the earth* PCS 105

Richard T. Proulx

Lord, send out your Spir - it and re -
new the face of the earth.

Copyright 1981 Richard Proulx.

Organ, then cantor, then all together:

We stand for the gospel reading and all join together from the beginning:

Hal H. Hopson

REFRAIN

Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

© 1988 Hope Publishing Company

When the Spirit of truth comes,
he will guide you into all the truth *John 16.13*

Refrain

John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15 *When the Spirit of truth comes*

This is the gospel of the Lord
Sung: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Preaching of the Word

The text of the sermon will normally be available after worship and online

LITBIT: Witness to Jesus Christ by the Holy Spirit is the content of the Word of God, and this alone constitutes the essence of preaching: 'and the Spirit is the witness, because the Spirit is the truth' (1 Jn 5:7). The ambo is the place where the sacrament of the word takes place, and therefore it must never be turned into a tribune for the proclamation of even the most elevated, most positive, but only human truth, only human wisdom.

ALEXANDER SCHMEMMANN

Prayer of Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

...hear, then, Christ's word of grace to us:
Your sins are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

Doxology

Glo - ry to God... in the high - est and
peace to Gods'peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heav'n-ly king, al-migh-ty God, and...
Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you... your glo-ry.
Lord Je-susChrist, on-ly Son of theFa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sins of theworld: have mer - cy on us; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the
Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone... are the
ho - ly one, You a - lone... are the Lord, you a - lone... are the most high,
Je - sus Christ with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo-ry of... God the... Fa - ther.
A - men. A - men. A - - - men.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

The Nicene Creed

*We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.*

*For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.*

*For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.*

*On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.*

*He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

The Visible Word: Eucharist

LITBIT: In the Eucharist we can find all the dimensions of communion: God communicates himself to us, we enter into communion with him, the participants of the sacrament enter into communion with one another, and creation as a whole enters through man into communion with God. All this takes place in Christ and the Spirit, who brings the last days into history and offers to the world a foretaste of the Kingdom.

JOHN D. ZIZIOULAS

Hymn 507 Come, Spirit blest

1. Come, Spirit blest, your influence shed,
and realise the sign;
your life infuse into the bread,
your power into the wine.
2. Effectual let the tokens prove
and made, by heavenly art,
fit channels to convey your love
to every faithful heart.

*Words: Charles Wesley 1707–88 alt.
Music: Traditional Irish. Public Domain*

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, hea - ven and earth are
full of your glo - ry, ho - sa - na in the high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r 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!

Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Bless - ing and hon - our, glo - ry and pow'r are yours for - e - ver and ev - er, are yours for - e - ver and ev - er.

Blessing and honour, glory and pow'r

are yours forever and ever,

are yours forever and ever.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins,

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours

now and for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

...Holy things for a people made holy;

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Psalm 34:8

*(Sung:) Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,
alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name. [TIS 390]*

The Communion

The United Church recognises this Table as the Lord's and, so, open to all who would normally commune in their home congregations.

After the invitation, and commencing from the front rows, please come forward two rows at a time, and stand in a line before the Table. Please leave a gap at the centre aisle to enable ease of access for all. Communion is presently only being distributed under the 'kind' of the bread, to minimise any potential for COVID-19 infection.

Prayers of the People

Offering

Notices

The Sending Forth of the People of God

Hymn 106 Now thanks we all our God

1. Now thank we all our God
with hearts and hands and voices,
who wondrous things has done,
in whom the world rejoices;
who from our mothers' arms
has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.
2. O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us.
Lord, keep us in your grace,
and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all harm
in this world and the next.

3. All praise and thanks to God
who reigns in highest heaven,
to Father and to Son
and Spirit now be given:
the one eternal God,
whom heaven and earth adore,
who ever was, is now,
and shall be ever more.

*Martin Rinkart 1586–1649
tr. Catherine Winkworth 1827–78 alt.
Public Domain*

Word of Mission and Blessing

Postlude GB Fasolo, *Veni Creator Spiritus*

COPYRIGHT INFORMATION

All music printed in this order of service and live-streamed is either in the public domain or is used with permission under the congregation's CCLI licence #449158 or its One License #737505-A. All rights reserved.