Please rise, as you are able.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

The congregation is invited into silent prayer prior to the service.

Prelude

Call to Worship and Greeting

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Introit

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near,
Joining in glad adoration!
Let the amen sound from his people again.
Gladly forever adore him!

Joachim Neander

Hymn 166

All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine

Sine Nomine

Collect (in unison)

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.
Kyrie

from ‘Communion Service in B minor’

T. Tertius Noble (1867–1953)

Kyrie eleison, Lord, have mercy,
Christe eleison, Christ, have mercy,
Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: If we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
All: Thanks be to God.

Lesson

Sirach 10:12–18

Lector: A lesson from the Book of Sirach, chapter 10, verses 12–18:

The beginning of human pride is to forsake the Lord; the heart has withdrawn from its Maker. For the beginning of pride is sin, and the one who clings to it pours out abominations. Therefore the Lord brings upon them unheard-of calamities, and destroys them completely. The Lord overthrows the thrones of rulers, and enthrones the lowly in their place. The Lord plucks up the roots of the nations, and plants the humble in their place. The Lord lays waste the lands of the nations, and destroys them to the foundations of the earth. He removes some of them and destroys them, and erases the memory of them from the earth. Pride was not created for human beings, or violent anger for those born of women.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Quam pulchri sunt

Tomás Luis de Victoria (c.1548–1611)

Quam pulchri sunt gressus tui, filia principis! How beautiful are thy feet, O prince’s daughter!
Collum tuum sicut turris eburnea, oculi tui divini, Thy neck as a tower of ivory, thy eyes divine,
et comae capitis tui sicut purpura regis, and the hairs of thy head as royal purple.
Quam pulchra es, et quam decora carissima! How beautiful and pleasing art thou, my dearest!
Alleluia.

Motet for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Lesson Hebrews 13:1–8, 15–16

Lector: A lesson from St. Paul’s epistle to the Hebrews, chapter 13, verses 1–8 and 15–16:

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?" Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 112

The antiphon is sung twice, first by choir alone, and then by choir and congregation.

♫ Antiphon (sung by all)

Light rises in darkness when justice rules our lives.

Cantor: Praise the LORD!
Happy are those who fear the LORD,
who greatly delight in his commandments.

People: Their descendants will be mighty in the land;
the generation of the upright will be blessed.

Cantor: Wealth and riches are in their houses,
and their righteousness endures forever.

People: They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright;
they are gracious, merciful, and righteous.
Cantor: It is well with those who deal generously and lend, who conduct their affairs with justice.

People: For the righteous will never be moved; they will be remembered forever.

Cantor: They are not afraid of evil tidings; their hearts are firm, secure in the LORD.

People: Their hearts are steady, they will not be afraid; in the end they will look in triumph on their foes.

Cantor: They have distributed freely, they have given to the poor; their righteousness endures forever; their horn is exalted in honor.

People: The wicked see it and are angry; they gnash their teeth and melt away; the desire of the wicked comes to nothing.

* Gloria Patri (sung by all) *

Laud and honor to the Father, Laud and honor to the Son,

Laud and honor to the Spirit, Ever Three and ever One,

One in might and One in glory While unending ages run.

* Gospel Lesson  Luke 14:1–14 *

Lector: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke, chapter 14, verses 1–14:

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the Sabbath, they were watching him closely. Just then, in front of him, there was a man who had edema. And Jesus asked the experts in the law and Pharisees, "Is it lawful to cure people on the Sabbath or not?" But they were silent. So Jesus took him and healed him and sent him away. Then he said to them, "If one of you has a child or an ox that has fallen into a well, will you not immediately pull it out on a Sabbath day?" And they could not reply to this. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to
a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon “Words and Deeds” The Rev. Dr. Victoria Hart Gaskell Minister for Visitation

Hymn 428 For the healing of the nations CWM RHONDDA

Call to Prayer (sung by all) Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810–1876)
Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Response from “Peace I leave with you” Walter L. Pelz (b. 1926)

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you:
not as the world giveth give I unto you. John 14:27

Offertory Sentences

At the Offertory Prayer to Jesus George Oldroyd (1887–1956)

Jhesu, since Thou me made and bought,
be Thou my love and all my thought,
and help that I may to Thee be brought,
withouten Thee I may do nought.

Jhesu, since Thou must do Thy will,
and nothing is that Thee may let,
with Thy grace my heart fulfil,
my love and my liking in Thee is set.

Jhesu, at Thy will I pray that I might be,
all my heart fulfil, with perfect love to Thee.
That I have done ill, Jhesu, forgive Thou me,
and suffer me never to spill, Jhesu for pity. Amen. Richard Rolle (1300–1349)

Presentation of the Gifts (sung by all) Moscow

To Thee, great One in Three, the highest praises be,
hence evermore; thy sovereign majesty may we in
glory see, and to eternity love and adore.
**Offertory Prayer**

**Hymn 561**  
Jesus, united by thy grace  
*Jesus, united by thy grace*  
*St. Agnes*

**Benediction**

**Response**  
God be in my head  
*arr. John Rutter* (b. 1945)

God be in my head and in my understanding.  God be in mine eyes and in my looking.  
God be in my mouth and in my speaking.  God be in my heart and in my thinking.  
God be at mine end and at my departing.  
*Old English Prayer from Sarum Primer*

**Postlude**

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*The preacher is the Reverend Dr. Victoria Hart Gaskell, Minister for Visitation.*  
*The conductor and organist is Dr. Scott Allen Jarrett, Director of Music.*

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Join us next Sunday at 11 a.m. for the University Matriculation Service.
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