



Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

A Service of Word and Sacrament

Hicks Memorial Chapel
Thursday, December 1, 2016

GATHERING

Prelude

Listen for His Coming
Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence and O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

arr. Mark Hayes

*Opening Sentences

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

***People:* who made heaven and earth.**

Leader: Whose steadfast love endures forever

***People:* and who will not abandon the works of his hands.**

Leader: Grace be to you and peace from God our Father,
and from the Lord Jesus Christ,
in the communion of the Holy Spirit.

***People:* Amen.**

*Opening Song

While We Are Waiting, Come

GtG #92

*please rise in body and/or spirit

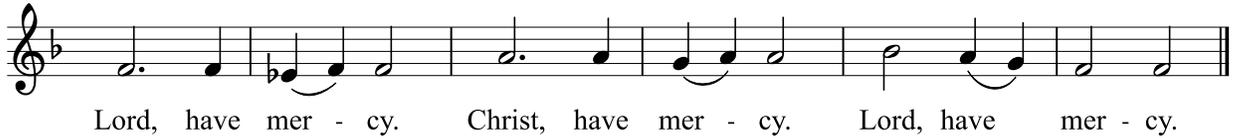
***Confession and Pardon**

The assembly is invited to turn to the font.

Prayer of Confession

People: Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you
with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In your mercy, forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be,
that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.



Declaration of Forgiveness



THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings: Romans 13:11-14

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Proclamation

***Hymn**

Now the Heavens Start to Whisper

GtG #94

***The Passing of the Peace**

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you.

The assembly is invited to exchange signs of Christ's peace and reconciling love.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

*The Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you**
Leader: Lift up your hearts.
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
Leader: Eternal God, holy and almighty ...
...
... who forever sing to the glory of your name:
People: **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.**
Leader: You are holy, O God of majesty ...
...
... Great is the mystery of faith:
People: **Christ has died;
Christ is risen;
Christ will come again.**
Leader: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit ...
...
... Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
All glory and honor are yours, almighty God,
Forever and ever.
People: **Amen.**

*The Lord's Prayer

Communion of the People

*All baptized believers are invited to participate.
The bread is gluten-free so that all may partake of one loaf.
Please come forward as the servers turn toward your section.*

Hymn during Communion

This is the Feast of Victory

GtG #513

*Prayer after Communion

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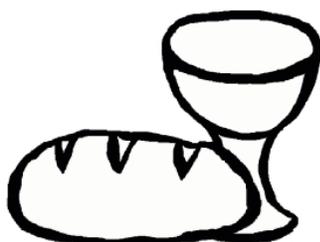
***Closing Hymn**

God Reigns! Let Earth Rejoice!

GtG #365

***Blessing**

Postlude



Leaders in Worship

Rev. Dr. Edwin van Driel



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