

Princeton Theological Seminary

A Service
of
Word and Sacrament



Miller Chapel
September 21, 2009
11:30 a.m.

Order of Service

Prelude: Variations on “Holy, Holy, Holy”

Piet Post

Introit: “You Are Holy”

Lisa McClendon

Call to Worship

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages. They were standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white. With palm branches in their hands, they cried out with a loud voice saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

And all the angels stood around the throne and the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God singing,

“Amen! Blessings and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen!”

* Hymn #138 (Blue): “Holy, Holy, Holy”

NICAEA

All in English

1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

All in Spanish

2. Santo Santo Santo, en numeroso coro,
santos escogidos te adoran con fervor;
de alegría llenos, con sus coronas de oro,
rinden alabanza a ti, oh Creador.

translation:

*Holy Holy Holy, in great chorus,
Chosen saints adore You with fervor;
Filled with joy, with their crowns of gold,
Rendering praises to You, oh Creator.*

Soloist in Korean

translation:

3. *Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinfulness Thy glory may not see,
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee
Perfect in power, in love and purity.*

* *The congregation may stand*

All in English

4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth and sky and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Call to Confession (*all seated*)

Psalm of Confession (*all uniting*)

Gracious God,
our sins are too heavy to carry,
too real to hide,
and too deep to undo.
Forgive what our lips can tremble to name,
what our hearts can no longer bear.

Set us free from a past that we cannot change;
open to us a future in which we can be changed;
and grant us grace
to grow more and more in your likeness and image;
through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.

Assurance of Pardon

- * Response of Praise: "Heleluyan"
first cantor, then all

Native American (Muscogee)

He - le - lu - yan, he - le - lu - yan; he - le, he - le - lu - yan;

he - le - lu - yan, he - le - lu - yan; he - le, he - le - lu - yan.

Psalm 126

Refrain:

first cantor, then all



Those who sow in tears and sor -



row one day will reap - with joy.

Scripture: I Thessalonians 5:16-24

Sermon: "Rejoice Evermore"

Hymn: "Nothing in Height or in Depth"

Remain seated; first ensemble, then all.

Iona

Noth - ing in height or in depth which be - friends or be -
noth - ing in life or in death which for - bids or fore -

- falls us, noth - ing can li - mit the love of our
- stalls us,

sa - viour, Je - sus. (Christ.)

* Affirmation of Faith (*all standing*)

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 of the Holy Spirit and 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 on 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 (and the Son), who with the Father and the Son is worshiped 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 Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

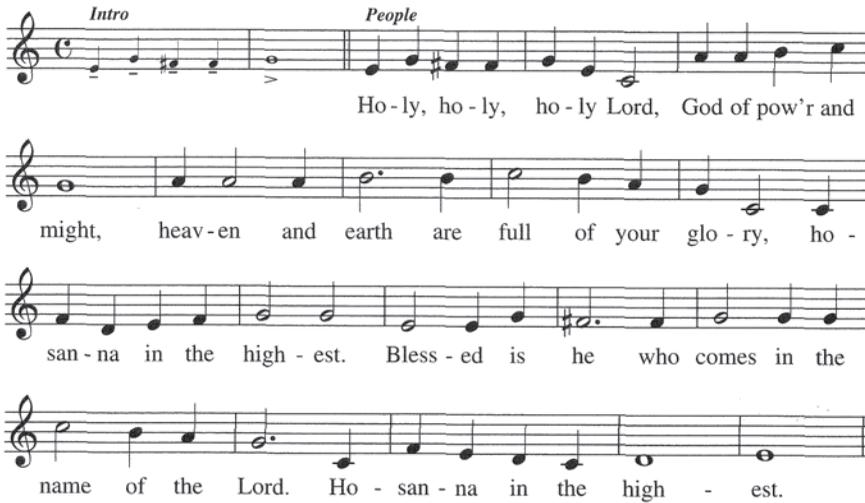
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Merciful God, it is our joy and our salvation to give thanks to you always and everywhere, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. He is the Word through whom you made the universe, the Savior you sent to redeem us. He shared our human nature. For our sake he suffered death upon the cross and was raised in glory. In this he fulfilled your will and made for you a holy people.

Therefore we join the angels and the saints in proclaiming your glory as we sing:

Intro *People*

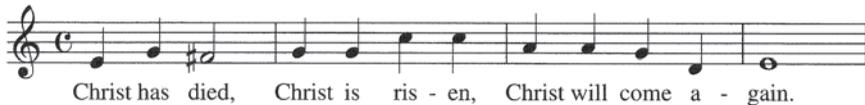


Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry, ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in common time (C). It begins with an 'Intro' section consisting of four measures of music. The 'People' section follows, starting with a double bar line. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness. Let your Spirit come upon these gifts to make them holy, so that they may become for us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. Who, on the night when he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup, after supper, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them and said, "Drink from it all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this whenever you drink it in remembrance of me."

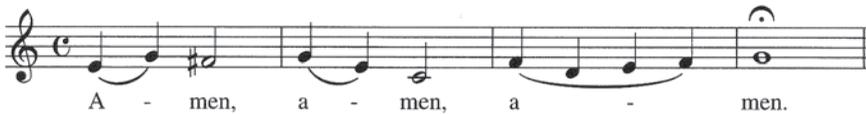
Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.



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

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in common time (C). It consists of a single line of music with lyrics written below. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Lord God, with this bread and this cup we proclaim his death and resurrection until his coming again. We thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and to serve you, and we ask you to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Look with favor on your church throughout the world, and grant that we who are nourished by the body and blood of Christ may be filled with his Holy Spirit and made one body in him, together with all our brothers and sisters both living and departed. Have mercy on us so that we, with all the saints who have done your will, may worship you and give you glory, through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be given to you, from all who dwell on earth and in heaven, now, and always, and for ever and ever.



The Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

The Lord's Prayer (*all uniting*)

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 Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Draw near with faith, receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which was given for you, and his blood which was shed for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

(Cups in the center of the tray contain wine; cups in the outer rings contain grape juice.)

Communion Hymns (*remain seated*)

“In the Lord I’ll Be Ever Thankful”

Taizé

In the Lord I'll be ev - er thank-ful, in the Lord I will re - joice!

The first system of music consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a 3/4 time signature. The lower staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. The melody is written in the upper staff, and the bass line is in the lower staff. The lyrics are placed between the two staves.

Look to God, do not be a - fraid. Lift up your voic - es, the Lord is

The second system of music consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a 3/4 time signature. The lower staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. The melody is written in the upper staff, and the bass line is in the lower staff. The lyrics are placed between the two staves.

Fine
near; lift up your voic - es, the Lord is near. In the

The third system of music consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a 3/4 time signature. The lower staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. The melody is written in the upper staff, and the bass line is in the lower staff. The lyrics are placed between the two staves. The word "Fine" is written above the upper staff.

“Bless the Lord, My Soul”

Taizé



Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.

Prayer after Communion (*all uniting*)

We thank you, Lord, that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet prepared for all people. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

* Hymn "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

THE ASH GROVE



1 Sent forth by God's bless - ing, our true faith con - fess - ing,
2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er - liv - ing,



the peo - ple of God from this dwell - ing take leave.
the tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will face—



The sup - per is end - ed. Oh, now be ex - tend - ed
our faith ev - er shar - ing, in love ev - er car - ing,



the fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve.
em - brac - ing God's chil - dren, the whole hu - man race.



The seed of Christ's teach - ing, re - cep - tive souls
With your feast you feed us, with your light now



reach - ing, shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.
lead us; u - nite us as one in this life that we share.



Your grace shall in - cite us, your love shall u - nite us
Then may all the liv - ing with praise and thanks - giv - ing



to work for your king - dom and an - swer your call.
give hon - or to Christ and his name that we bear.

Benediction

Postlude: “Toccatà in F”

Dieterich Buxtehude

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