



**PRELUDE**

Three Settings on CWM RHONDDA

A.V. Fischer

**GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY**

**CHORAL INTROIT**

Come Into His Presence

anon.

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

#27 God of Creation, All-Powerful

SLANE

**\*INVOCATION AND 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.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Peggy M. DeCuehlo)

Lord, you placed us in the world to be its salt.  
We were afraid of committing ourselves,  
afraid of being stained by the world.  
We did not want to hear what 'they' might say  
and our salt dissolved as if in water.  
Forgive us, Jesus.  
Lord, you placed us in the world to be its light.  
We were afraid of the shadows, afraid of the poverty.  
We did not want to know 'difficult' people  
and our light slowly faded away.  
Forgive us, Jesus.  
Lord, you placed us in the world to live in community.  
Thus you taught us to love, to share in life,  
to struggle for bread and for justice.  
Lord in your mercy, hear our prayers...  
(Silence for personal confession and reflection)

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

R. Goodson

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.

**FIRST TESTAMENT READING**

Psalms 112:1-9 Page 623, first half of the NRSV Bible  
Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

**ANTHEM**

Keep Your Lamps  
Traditional Spiritual

arr. V.C. Johnson

**RESPONSIVE PRAYER** (cpcatlanta.org)

One: When we seek justice for the other,  
when we love kindness more than ever,

**Many: we live as God asks us to live.**

One: When we walk humbly through life,  
when we offer mercy to those who hurt us,

**Many: we are the blessing God hopes we will be.**

One: When we are willing to look foolish by following Jesus,  
when we choose weakness rather than power,

**All: we reflect the One who is in our midst.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

#17 Praise the Lord! O Heavens, Adore Him

AUSTRIAN HYMN

(at end of hymn, children up to Gr. 6 may come forward)

**CHILDREN'S BLESSING**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**\*HYMN OF MEDITATION**

#575 Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service

BEACH SPRING

**SECOND TESTAMENT READING**

Matthew 5:13-20 Page 4-5, second half of the NRSV Bible  
Response to reading: "Thanks be to God"

**SERMON** "Exceed? Indeed!"

Rev. Dr. Ryan Sato

**CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**Offertory**

Elegiac Pastorale

F. Ashdown

**\*Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**\*Prayer of Gratitude**

**\*HYMN FOR THE JOURNEY**

#569 God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

**\*THE BLESSING OF THE COMMUNITY**

**Leader:** May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of  
God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**\*Choral Benediction**

May the Peace of the Lord Go with You

C. Yannerella

**\*The Sending of the Community**

**\*Congregational Amen**

*The service of the church into the world - - begins again this week*

**\*POSTLUDE**

Prelude & Fugue in D Major, BuxWV 139

D. Buxtehude

**\*Please stand, as you are able.**

We are grateful for those who serve with us today: Worship  
Leadership – Rev. Amanda Strain, Rev. Colin Ward; Reader – Ruby  
Thielmann; Kathy Brown; Sound Tech - Tom Bonham.  
*Music and words for the Gloria Patri, the Doxology and the  
Congregational Amen are found on the laminated sheet in the pew  
rack.*