

## WE APPROACH GOD

Voluntary: Prière à Notre-Dame

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### Call to Worship

**Hymn:** 14 (vvs 1,4,5) The Lord's my Shepherd

*Wiltshire*

- 1 The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want.  
He makes me down to lie  
in pastures green : he leadeth me  
the quiet waters by.
- 4 My table thou hast furnishèd  
in presence of my foes ;  
my head thou dost with oil anoint,  
and my cup overflows.
- 5 Goodness and mercy all my life  
shall surely follow me :  
and in God's house for evermore  
my dwelling-place shall be.

### Prayers of Adoration and Confession

#### THE WORD TO READ AND TO HEAR

Readings: (Exodus 20: 1-17)	RSV p.63
I Corinthians 1: (18-21), 22-25	RSV p.955
John 2: 13-22	RSV p.878

Sermon: Law or Grace

#### THE WORD: OUR RESPONSE

### Offering

### Confession of Faith

***I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.***

***I believe in Jesus Christ,  
God's only Son, our Lord  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,***

***born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated  
at the right hand of God the Father,  
and he will come to judge  
the living and the dead.***

***I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body  
and the life everlasting. Amen.***

## **Prayers for Others**

**Hymn:** 668 (vvs 1,2,6) According to thy gracious word

*Bellerma*

- 1 According to thy gracious word,  
in meek humility,  
this will I do, my dying Lord,  
I will remember thee.
- 2 Thy body broken for my sake,  
my bread from heaven shall be ;  
thy testamental cup I take,  
and thus remember thee.
- 6 And when these failing lips grow dumb,  
and mind and memory flee,  
when thou shalt in thy kingdom come,  
Jesus, remember me.

## **THE WORD: LIVING AND ACTIVE**

### **The Lord's Supper**

#### **Invitation**

#### **The Great Prayer and The Lord's Prayer**

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.***

Loving God, you made this world

marvellous for us to enjoy.

You gave Jesus to be our friend and to bring us to you.

You send your Spirit,

to make us one family in Christ.

For these gifts of your love we thank you,

and join with angels and saints on earth and heaven

in this joyful hymn of praise.

***Holy, holy, holy Lord,***

***God of power and might,***

***heaven and earth are full of your glory,***

***Hosanna in the highest.***

***Blessed is the one who comes***

***in the name of the Lord.***

***Hosanna in the highest.***

## **Prayers of Institution**

### **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 Lord's Supper, given and shared**

**Hymn:** 511 (vvs 1 &4) Your hand, O God, has guided

Thornbury

- 1 Your hand, O God, has guided  
your flock, from age to age ;  
the wondrous tale is written,  
full clear, on every page ;  
your people owned your goodness,  
and we their deeds record ;  
and both of this bear witness :  
one Church, one Faith, one Lord.
  
- 4 Your mercy will not fail us,  
nor leave your work undone ;  
with your right hand to help us,  
your victory shall be won ;  
by mortals and by angels  
your name shall be adored,  
and this shall be their anthem :  
one Church, one Faith, one Lord.

### ***Benediction***

Voluntary: Easter Chorale

arr. J S Bach

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*The Apostles' Creed is an ancient creed of the Church. It is the preferred statement of belief of the Reformed churches and was included in weekly worship by both Calvin and Knox. The word 'creed' comes from the Latin word **credo** meaning 'I believe.' The Creed can be understood literally, though it is best read as poetry. It is Scriptural and, therefore, draws upon the faith narratives of the Bible. It employs powerful religious imagery intended for meditation.*