

# The Morning Worship

Liturgists  
9:00am – *Pastor MacLean*  
10:00am – *Pastor Kalland*  
11:00am – *Pastor Cornils*  
12noon – *Pastor Enoch*

**The Prelude** *O God Beyond All Praising* - - - - Charles Callahan

**The Processional Hymn** - - - - - **842:1, 2, 3, 5**  
*(Please stand as you are able as the pastors enter the Chancel)*

Oh, worship the King, all-glorious above.  
Oh, gratefully sing God’s power and love;  
our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,  
pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

The earth with its store of wonders untold,  
Almighty, your pow’r has founded of old;  
established it fast by a changeless decree,  
and round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Your bountiful care what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light,  
it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,  
and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

O measureless might, ineffable love,  
while angels delight to hymn you above,  
the humbler creation, though feeble their lays,  
with true adoration shall sing to your praise.

## The Invocation

**Pastor:** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Congregation: Amen.** *(Please sing)*

## The Confession of Sins and Assurance of Forgiveness

**Pastor:** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Congregation: Amen.** *(Please sing)*

**Pastor:** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

**Congregation:** Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. **Amen.** *(Please sing)*

**Pastor:** In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

**Congregation: Amen.** *(Please sing)*

## The Hymn of Praise - - - - - 853:1

When morning gilds the skies,  
my heart awaking cries:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!  
When evening shadows fall,  
this rings my curfew call:  
may Jesus Christ be praised!

## The Salutation and Prayer of the Day

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**Congregation: And also with you.** *(Please sing)*

**Pastor and Congregation:** Lord God, your lovingkindness always goes before us and follows after us. Summon us into your light, and direct our steps in the ways of goodness that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.** *(Please sing)*

*(Please be seated)*

## The Lesson - - - - - Genesis 1:1-3 (page 1)

*This first creation story reached its current form during the crisis of the Babylonian exile of the people of Israel. God, not their captors’ god, Marduk, was responsible for their existence. God created women and men as rulers over creation, to preserve and protect it. God also rested on the seventh day, hallowing that day forever as the sabbath.*

## The Gradual Hymn - - - - - 886:1, 6

Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing  
my great Redeemer’s praise,  
the glories of my God and King,  
the triumphs of his grace!

To God all glory, praise, and love  
be now and ever giv’n  
by saints below and saints above,  
the church in earth and heav’n.

*(Before the reading, please stand as you are able and sing)*

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

## The Gospel - - - - - Matthew 4:18-22 (page 785)

*Jesus begins his public ministry shortly after John the Baptist is imprisoned by Herod. He proclaims the nearness of God’s reign and calls four fishermen to be his first disciples.*

*(After the reading, please sing)*

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## The Profession of Faith - The Apostles’ Creed

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

*(Please be seated)*

## The Anthem

9:00 and 10:00 — *Canon-* - - - - - Joseph Pachelbel  
Joyful Noise!

11:00 and 12:00 — *Let Thy Holy Presence-* - - - - Pavel Tchesnokoff  
Senior Choir

## The Welcome

## The Offertory

9:00 and 10:00 — *Seek Ye First* - - - - - arr. Wagner  
Cathedral Choir

11:00 and 12:00 — *God So Loved the World* - - - - - John Stainer  
Senior Choir

*(Please stand as you are able and sing)*

**The Offertory Prayer**

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.

*(Please be seated)*

**The Creation Story in Word and Music      Pastor Hammersten**

*(Please stand as you are able and sing)*

**The Closing Hymn - - - - - 661:3**

I love to tell the story,  
for those who know it best  
seem hungering and thirsting  
to hear it like the rest.  
And when, in scenes of glory,  
I sing the new, new song,  
I'll sing the old, old story  
that I have loved so long.

*Refrain*

I love to tell the story;  
'twill be my theme in glory  
to tell the old, old story  
of Jesus and his love.

**The Lord's Prayer - - - - - Page 112**

**The Benediction and Threefold Amen**

*(The congregation is asked to pause for a moment of silent prayer)*

**The Postlude** *God of Grace and God of Glory - - - -* Paul Manz

*Please be so kind as to leave your bulletin at the end of the pew  
or place in the recycle bin as you leave. Thank you.*

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Director of Worship & Music, *Beverly Claflin*  
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Director of Senior & Cathedral Choirs, *Beverly Claflin*  
Cathedral Choir Pianist, *Erik Akervik*  
Director of Joyful Noise!, *Elaine Sergeant*

**Welcome Guests**

We are delighted you are worshiping with us today. We warmly welcome you and are grateful for your presence and prayers. A pastor will be available in the lounge to greet you following the service. If you have any questions about the ministries of Mount Olivet Church, please come to the Information Desk in the Narthex.

Large print bulletins and hearing devices available at the Information Desk located in the Narthex.

**Altar Flowers**

The flowers on the altar in the main sanctuary are in loving memory of Roy Nelson on the anniversary of his birthday, given by his wife, Marcella, and family.

The flowers by the pulpit are in loving memory of Ole and By Slinde, given by Ken, Mary, and family.

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If you would like to donate Sunday morning altar flowers in loving memory or in honor of someone you know, please contact Mary Lindberg, 612-767-2200/maryl@mtolivet.org. Orders are appreciated two weeks in advance of your desired date. The cost is \$50.00.

**Next Sunday**

Sunday morning worship services will be at 9, 10, 11am and 12noon. Pastor Craig Johnson will be preaching on "The Strange Values of Jesus of Nazareth." Holy Communion will be observed at 8:30am and following the 12noon service. There will be Sunday School/The Way at 9, 10, and 11am, and nursery will be available for children ages six-weeks through two-years.

# The Third Sunday After Epiphany January 22, 2017

**PASTORS**

David J. Lose, Senior Pastor-Elect  
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