**MORNING WORSHIP**

*The beginning of the prelude is a call to silent, personal preparation for the worship of God.*

**Prelude**  
Prelude and Fugue in E Minor  *Johann Sebastian Bach*

**Introit**  
“Trinity Sunday”  *Leo Sowerby*  
Father, Son and Holy Ghost, one God.  
O come, let us adore him.

*Doxology and Invocation*  
(The Hymnal, 592)

*Hymn 138*  
“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”  *Tune: Nicaea*

**Prayer of Confession** *(unison)*  
We confess, O God, that we breathe the proud spirit of the world, the spirit that scorns the way of weakness, boasts of its cleverness, clings to knowledge as a means of power, and seeks to prove its worth by belittling others. Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. God of grace, fill us with the desire to search for your truth, that being content to be fools for Christ's sake, we may transform the world. Amen.

**Declaration of Pardon**  
Minister: Friends, believe the good news.  
People: *In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.*

**Concerns of the Church**

**Minute for Mission**

**Anthem**  
“Trinitarian Blessings”  *K. Lee Scott*  
May the Sending One sing in you; may the Seeking One walk with you; may the Greeting One stand by you in your gladness and in your grieving. May the Gifted One relieve you; may the Given One retrieve you; may the Giving One receive you in your falling and your restoring. May the Binding One untie you; may the One Beloved invite you; may the Loving One delight you, Three in One, joy in life unending.

*Stand as you are able*
Psalter  Psalm 8 (responsively)  (page 466, O.T.)

*Gloria Patri*  (The Hymnal, 579)

Scripture Lesson  Romans 5:1–5  (page 145, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**  Christ and Comfort  Sarah A. Johnson

**Hymn 429**  “Lord, You Give the Great Commission”  
*Tune: Abbot’s Leigh*

**Apostles’ Creed**  
*unison*

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
he descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the  
right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick  
and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost;  
the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

**Offering**

**Offertory Voluntary**  “Litany to the Holy Spirit”  Peter Hurford

In the hour of my distress, when temptations me oppress,  
and when I my sins confess, sweet Spirit, comfort me!  
When I lie within my bed, sick in heart and sick in head,  
and with doubts discomfited, sweet Spirit, comfort me!  
When the house doth sigh and weep and the world is  
drowned with sleep, yet mine eyes the watch do keep,  
sweet Spirit, comfort me!
*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known,

with these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own:

here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring.

Give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.


THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Minister: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Minister: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to the Lord.
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PRAYER

Minister: It is truly right and our greatest joy . . .

. . . who forever sing to the glory of your name:

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.

**The Lord’s Prayer** *(unison)*

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 debts,
as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory forever. Amen.

**The Communion**

**Communion Anthem**  “Gift of Finest Wheat”  *Robert E. Kreutz*

You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat;
come give to us, O saving Lord, the bread of life to eat.
As when the shepherd calls his sheep, they know and
heed his voice; so when you call your family, Lord,
we follow and rejoice. With joyful lips we sing to you
our praise and gratitude, that you should count us worthy,
Lord, to share this heavenly food. Is not the cup we bless
and share the blood of Christ outpoured? Do not one cup,
one loaf declare our oneness in the Lord? The mystery of
your presence, Lord, no mortal tongue can tell: whom all
the world cannot contain comes in our hearts to dwell.
You give yourself to us, O Lord; then selfless let us be,
to serve each other in your name in truth and charity.

**Prayer after Communion** *(unison)*

Gracious God, we thank you for the love
which brings us food from heaven,
the life of your dear Son, and assures us
that we belong to the company of all his
faithful people in heaven and on earth.
Grant that, strengthened by this fellowship
and by the power of his Holy Spirit,
we may continue his work in the world,
until we come to the glory of your eternal kingdom;
through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.
Amen.
The Lord’s Supper at Fourth Presbyterian Church

“Do this in remembrance of me.” Luke 22:19 (NRSV)

The Lord’s Supper is the sign and seal of eating and drinking in communion with the crucified and risen Lord. In this act, we remember that during his earthly ministry, Jesus shared meals with his followers and sat at dinner tables as a sign of acceptance of the sinner and the outcast. In the act of remembering that is the Lord’s Supper, we receive and trust the love of Christ present to us and to the world. Through it, we are renewed and empowered to be the church, the body of Christ, in the world.

The invitation to the Lord’s Supper is not just for Presbyterians or “members of the church.” All who confess Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord are invited to partake of the Lord’s Supper. Access to the Table is not a right conferred upon the worthy but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. Even one who doubts or whose trust is wavering may receive the bread and grape juice (in place of wine) in order to be assured of God’s love and grace in Jesus Christ.

This morning, Communion is served by intinction. The congregation will come forward by the center aisle to receive the bread, which they will then dip into the chalice of grape juice. (Gluten-free bread is available in a small tumbler in each basket of bread.) Worshipers will return to their pews by the side aisles.

Fourth Presbyterian Church celebrates the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper each Sunday at 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. worship and at all morning services on the first Sunday of even-numbered months.

“I am the bread of life.”
John 6:35 (NRSV)

Portions of the text above adapted from The Book of Order
WORSHIP LEADERS
Donna Gray, John H. Boyle, Sarah A. Johnson

THE MUSIC TODAY
The Chancel Choir; Carol Carpenter, soloist
Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

WORSHIP NOTES

Today’s Minute for Mission is presented by Cullen Welch on behalf of the senior high youth choir participating in this summer’s work camp trip to Cary, Mississippi.

Printed copies of sermons recently preached at Fourth Church are available in the literature racks outside the South Transept doors (leading to Anderson Hall) and in the Narthex, at the back of the sanctuary. They are also available at www.fourthchurch.org.

Fourth Church offers a variety of worship opportunities in addition to Sunday morning services. An afternoon Communion service is held each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. Each weekday morning, Morning Prayer is held in Stone Chapel as a time to remember in prayer members of the Fourth Church congregation and those in need (9:30 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday; 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday). A Taizé service is held at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel on the fourth Friday of each month.

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