Morning Worship

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

Prelude

Adagio  
Vocalise

Tommaso Albinoni  
Sergei Rachmaninoff

Introit

“The Lord Is High Above the Nations”  
Donald Cashmore

The Lord is high above the nations and God’s glory above the heavens.

*Doxology and Invocation

*Hymn 470

“O Day of Radiant Gladness”

Tune: Es Flog Ein Kleins Waldvögelein

Prayer of Confession  
(unison)

Holy God, you see us as we are  
and know our inmost thoughts.
We confess that we are unworthy of your gracious care.  
We forget that all life comes from you  
and that to you all life returns.
We have not always sought or done your will.  
We have not lived as your grateful children,  
nor loved as Christ loved us.
Apart from you, we are nothing.  
Only your grace can sustain us.  
Lord, in your mercy, forgive us,  
heal us, and make us whole.
Set us free from our sin  
and restore to us the joy of your salvation  
now and forever.  Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Sacrament of Baptism

Unison Prayer

Holy God, remind us of the promises given in  
our own baptism and renew our trust in you.  
Make us strong to obey your will and to serve you with joy;  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.  Amen.

*Stand as you are able.
CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ANTHEM
“Sing We Merrily Unto God Our Strength” Sidney Campbell
Sing we merrily unto God our strength; make a cheerful noise unto
the God of Jacob. Take the psalm; bring hither the tabret, the merry
harp with the lute. Blow up the trumpet in the new moon, even in
the time appointed and upon our solemn feast day. For this was
made a statute for Israel and a law of the God of Jacob. Alleluia.

FIRST LESSON
Revelation 21:1–4 (page 244, N.T.)
Minister: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

*GLORIA PATRI
(The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON
1 Kings 17 (selected verses) (page 309, O.T.)

SERMON
CYNTHIA CAMPBELL
In Life and Death
“The Elijah said, ‘See, your son is alive.’” 1 Kings 17:23 (NRSV)

*HYMN 275
“God of Our Life” Tune: SANDON

*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.
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

PRAYER RESPONSE

“Rest in the Lord”

George Thalben-Ball

Rest in the Lord and wait patiently on God and
God shall give thee thy hearts desire.

Offering

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“A Psalm of Praise and Thanksgiving”

Michael McCabe

O praise the Lord, ye nations; praise God, ye people; O praise
the Lord. Praise God in the sound of the trumpet. Praise God
in dances; praise God on lute and harp; praise God with strings
and praise God with pipe. Grant us, this day, O Lord, a blessing for
thy house, that those who hunger for thy holy word may find it here.
We give thee thanks and praise this day. O praise the Lord,
ye nations; praise God, ye people; O praise the Lord and give God
thanks this day. Let all the peoples praise the Lord both now
and forevermore.

*PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND RESPONSE

For the life that you have giv-en, for the love in Christ made known,
with these fruits of time and la-bor, with these gifts that are your own:
here we of-fer, Lord, our prai-ses; heart and mind and strength we bring.
Give us grace to love and serve you, liv-ing what we pray and sing.

*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication*

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.**

All: **O Lord, our God,**

the author and giver of all good things,
we thank you for all your mercies
and for your loving care over all your creatures.

We bless you for the gift of life,
for your protection round about us,
for your guiding hand upon us,
and for the tokens of your love within us.

In all these things, O heavenly God,
make us wise for a right use of your benefits,
that we may render an acceptable thanksgiving unto you
all the days of our lives, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

*Hymn 453*  
“O Holy City, Seen of John”  
*Tune: Morning Song*

**Benediction and Response**

**Postlude**  
Trumpet Tune  
*M. McCabe*
“Let the little children come to me . . .
for it is to such as these that the
kingdom of heaven belongs.”

Matthew 19:14 (NRSV)

Baptism
at Fourth Presbyterian Church

Each second Sunday of the month, Fourth Church includes the Sacrament of Baptism in morning worship. Baptism is the sign and seal of God's grace and covenant in Christ. As The Book of Order of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) explains, baptism signifies the faithfulness of God, the washing away of sin, rebirth, putting on the fresh garment of Christ, and adoption into the covenant family of the church.

The baptism of children witnesses to the truth that God's love claims people before they are able to respond in faith. The congregation, on behalf of the whole church, assumes responsibility for nurturing the baptized children in the Christian life, and it is for this reason that the congregation makes such a promise during the service. In the unison prayer we also remember that we too were baptized and as children of God are part of the worldwide family of faith.

Those being baptized at the 9:30 worship service are
- Charles Will Barnett, son of Charles and Paige Barnett
- Spencer Magnus Barnett, son of Charles and Paige Barnett
- Aidan Santiago Garay Miers, son of Dan Miers and Lisa Garay
- Vivian Mae Richardson, daughter of Sam and Sarah Richardson
- James Christian Slater, son of Christian and Erin Slater

Those being baptized at the 11:00 worship service are
- William Bradford Cornell, son of Brad and Robyn Cornell
- Edward Theodore Hinrichs, son of Hans Hinrichs and Susan Wiles Hinrichs
- Amelia Margaret Johnson, daughter of Scott and Alison Johnson
- Olivia Christine Mickey, daughter of Brian and Christine Mickey
- Henry Bernard Schott, son of John and Jessica Schott
- Samantha Angelonia Tripi, daughter of Salvatore Tripi and Nancy Fry
WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. Victoria G. Curtiss, Adam Fronczek, Cynthia Campbell
11:00 a.m. Jocelyn C. Cadwallader, Adam Fronczek, Cynthia Campbell

THE MUSIC TODAY

9:30 a.m. The Morning Choir; Marnie Pomeroy, soloist
11:00 a.m. The Morning Choir; Marnie Pomeroy, soloist

John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music
Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

WORSHIP NOTES

This morning’s Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication is from The Worship Sourcebook (Calvin Institute of Christian Worship).

Fourth Church welcomes Cynthia Campbell to the pulpit this morning. Dr. Campbell is President of McCormick Theological Seminary and is a longtime friend of this congregation, serving as a frequent guest preacher and instructor in the Academy for Faith and Life.

The textile banners and pulpit parament, “Unweavings” created by Laurie Wohl, were commissioned by Fourth Church for use during the liturgical season of Ordinary Time, the longest season of the church year (the season between Epiphany and Lent and between Pentecost and Advent). Through their combination of scripture texts and image, these banners celebrate and elevate the perception of the sacred in the “ordinary” as we make our faith journey day to day.

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