MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

James Biery

INTROIT

“Open My Eyes That I May See”

Clara H. Scott

Open my eyes that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me; place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free. Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see; open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

(The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN 461

“God Is Here!”

Tune: Abbot’s Leigh

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(unison)

Holy and merciful God,
we believe that you are here,
but we do not always recognize you.
We trust in your presence in this world,
but our world seems shaken, broken, and hurting.
We want to reach out and help others,
but their needs overwhelm us.
Teach us to be your body in the world:
eyes to recognize pain and hurt,
mouths to tell your good news,
hands to build your kingdom.
Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

*Stand as you are able
ANTHEM

“Most Glorious Lord of Life”  
William H. Harris

Most glorious Lord of life, that on this day didst make thy triumph over death and sin and, having harrowed hell, didst bring away captivity thence captive, us to win, this joyous day, dear Lord, with joy begin, and grant that we for whom thou didst die, being with thy dear blood clean washed from sin, may live forever in felicity; and that thy love we weighing worthingly, may likewise love thee for the same again; and for thy sake, that all like dear didst buy, with love may one another entertain. So let us love, dear love, like as we ought; love is the lesson which the Lord us taught.

PSALTER

Psalm 116:12–19 (responsively)  
(page 533, O.T.)

GLORIA PATRI

(The Hymnal, 579)

SCRIPTURE LESSON

(page 84, N.T.)

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

SERMON

Encounters with the Risen Christ  
MATTHEW J. HELMS

HYMN 503

“Come, Risen Lord”  
Tune: SURLSUM CORDA

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 SOLO**

“We Are a Garden Walled Around”  
*Robert Buckley Farlee*

We are a garden walled around, chosen and made peculiar ground; a little spot enclosed by grace out of the world’s wide wilderness. Like tree of myrrh and spice we stand, planted by God the Father’s hand; and all his springs in Zion flow to make the young plantation grow. Let my beloved come and taste his pleasant fruits at his own feast. “I come, my spouse, I come,” he cries, with love in his eyes. Our Lord into the garden comes, well pleased to smell our poor perfumes, and calls us to a feast divine, sweeter than honey, milk, or wine. Jesus, we will frequent thy board and sing the praises of our Lord; but the rich food on which we live demands more praise than tongues can give.

**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:

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Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bles-sed is the

One who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.
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**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** “Stay with Us” 

*Walter Pelz*

Stay with us, till night has come; our praise to you
this day be sung. Bless our bread, open our eyes;
Jesus, be our great surprise. Walk with us, our spirits sigh;
hear when our weary spirits cry; feel again our loss,
our pain; Jesus, take us to your side. Walk with us,
the road will bend; make all our weeping, wailing end.
Wipe our tears, forgive our fears; Jesus, lift the heavy cross.
Talk with us till we behold a joyful life unfold.
Heal our eyes to see the prize; Jesus, take us to the light.
Stay with us, till day is done; no tears nor dark shall dim
the sun; cheer the heart, your grace impart.
Jesus, bring eternal life.
**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** *(unison)*

Generous God,
we thank you that in this sacrament
we are not strangers to one another,
but brothers and sisters in Christ;
we are not strangers to you,
but a welcome face at your table.
May breaking this bread together open our eyes
so that we can see the risen Christ in our midst,
in this church, in this city, in our world.
Amen.

*Hymn 408*  
“Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life”  
*Tune: Germany*

**Benediction and Response**

**Postlude**  Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing  
*Healey Willan*
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**The Music Today**

- The Chancel Choir; Carol Carpenter, soloist and flutist
- John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music
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**Worship Notes**

**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. All who confess Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord are invited to partake of the Lord’s Supper. 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.

**Gifts to help those affected** by the recent devastating storms in the South can be made by using the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance offering envelopes in the pew racks or by writing “PDA” on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

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