 MORNING WORSHIP

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

Prelude
Suite from “Mass for the Convents”   François Couperin

Introit
“O Thou That Hearest Prayer”   Eric DeLamarter
O thou that hearest prayer, attend our humble cry; and let thy servants share thy blessing from on high. We plead the promise of thy word; grant us thy Holy Spirit, Lord. Amen.

*Doxology and Invocation

*Hymn 469
“Morning Has Broken”   Tune: Bunessan

Prayer of Confession (unison)
Merciful God,
we confess that 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 and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.
Amen.

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

Concerns of the Church

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.
Psalter
Psalm 68:1–8, 32–35 (responsively) (page 500, O.T.)

Anthem
“Gloria” John W. W. Sherer
Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God’s people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, receive our prayer. For you alone are the holy one, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the most high, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

First Lesson
Acts 16:16–23 (page 128, N.T.)
Minister: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

*Gloria Patri (The Hymnal, 579)

Second Lesson
Acts 19:21–41 (page 131, N.T.)

Sermon
Christian Economics
“God gives the desolate a home to live in; he leads out the prisoners to prosperity.” Psalm 68:6 (nrsv)

*Hymn 436
“We Are Your People” Tune: Whitfield

*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  “Amen”  Anonymous

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM “A Prayer of Saint Francis”  Ralph Hunter

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Where there is hatred,  
let me sow love. Where there is injury, let me sow pardon. Where  
there is doubt, let me sow faith. Where there is despair, let me  
sow hope. Where there is darkness, let me sow light. Where there  
is sadness, let me sow joy. O divine Master, grant that I may not  
so much seek to be consoled, as to console; to be understood,  
as to understand; to be loved, as to love! For it is in giving that  
we receive. For it is in pardoning that we are pardoned. For it is  
in dying that we are born to eternal life! Amen.

*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: Eternal God, creator of the world and giver of all good, we thank you for the earth, our home, and for the gift of life. We praise you for your love in Jesus Christ, who came to heal this broken world, who died rejected on the cross and rose triumphant from the dead. Because he lives, we live to praise you, our God forever. Gracious God, who called us from death to life, we give ourselves to you; and with the church through all ages, we thank you for your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN 414*  
“As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought”  
Tune: FOREST GREEN

**Benediction and Response**

**Postlude**  
Rigaudon  
*André Campra*
“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

On the second Sunday of each 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

Mizell Marie Melin, daughter of Philippe and Molly Melin
John Stephen Messina, son of John and Erica Messina
Emerson Sue Moore, daughter of Tyson and Kodi Moore
Alexander Paul Russell, son of Paul and Christeen Russell

Those being baptized at the 11:00 worship service are

Regan Elizabeth Davidson, daughter of William Davidson and Paula Stone-Davidson
Blythe Hadley Hanson, daughter of David and April Hanson
Connor George Nack, son of Joel and Sarah Nack
Sophia Deming Riley, daughter of Timothy Riley and Jessica Boudos-Riley
Jacob Byron Ring, son of Greg and Margaret Ring
Worship Leaders

9:30 a.m. Victoria G. Curtiss, Calum I. MacLeod, John Buchanan
11:00 a.m. Victoria G. Curtiss, Calum I. MacLeod, John Buchanan

The Music Today

9:30 a.m. Women of the Morning Choir
11:00 a.m. Women of the Morning Choir

John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music

Worship Notes

This morning’s prelude was composed by François Couperin, who was known as the “organiste du Roi” (organist of the king) because every Sunday, beginning in 1717, he played a concert for Louis XIV. Couperin served at St. Gervais in Paris from 1685 until his death in 1733.

The women of the Morning Choir will be singing during morning worship services in July. The men of the Morning Choir will sing in August, and the full choir will return in September.

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.

The bulletin cover photo depicts the fountain in the Garth, a gift from architect Howard Van Doren Shaw in 1914. The top of the fountain is inscribed with Habakkuk 2:14: “For the earth will be | filled with the knowledge | of the glory of the Lord | as the waters cover the sea.” The cover quote is from Walter Brueggemann’s book Mandate to Difference.

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