**Morning Worship**

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

**Prelude**

Chaconne in E Minor  
Dieterich Buxtehude

Air  
Gerre Hancock

Pièce Symphonique  
César Franck

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**Introit**

*“God Is a Spirit”  
George Thalben-Ball*

God is a Spirit, and they that worship God must worship God in spirit and in truth.

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**Introit**

*Excerpts from 100% Chance of Rain  
Walter Horsley*

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**Doxology and Invocation**

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**Hymn 458**

*“Earth and All Stars”  
Tune: Dexter*

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**Prayer of Confession** *(unison)*

Almighty God,
you love us, but we have not loved you.
You call, but we have not listened.
We walk away from neighbors in need,
wrapped in our own concerns.
We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed.
God of grace,
help us to admit our sin,
so that as you come to us in mercy,
we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness;
through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.
Amen.

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**Declaration of Pardon**

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

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**Sacrament of Baptism**

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**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.

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*Stand as you are able.*
CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER

Psalm 121 (responsively) (page 539, O.T.)

ANTHEM

“I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes” Leo Sowerby

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved; he that keepeth thee will not slumber nor sleep. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth. The Lord is thy keeper, thy shade upon thy right hand. The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon at night. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil, he shall preserve thy soul. The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even forevermore. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Matthew 22:34−40 (page 24, N.T.)

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

*GLORIA PATRI (The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON

Matthew 25:31−46 (page 27, N.T.)

SERMON

Two Loves John Buchanan

“As you did it to one of the least of these . . . you did it to me.” Matthew 25:40 (NRSV)

*HYMN 335

“Though I May Speak” Tune: O WALY WALY

*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”

Franklin Glynn

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM “Sicut cervus” Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina

As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God.

*PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND RESPONSE

*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: **Almighty and merciful God,**
   from whom comes all that is good,
   we praise you for your mercies,
   for your goodness that has created us,
   your grace that has sustained us,
   your discipline that has corrected us,
   your patience that has borne with us,
   and your love that has redeemed us.

Help us to love you and to be thankful for all your gifts
by serving you and delighting to do your will,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

*HYMN 376*  
“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”  
*Tune: HYFRYDOL*

**Benediction and Response**

**Postlude**  
Postlude in C Major  
*Henry Smart*
“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
Emma Taylor Blaydon, daughter of Christopher and Laura Blaydon
Benjamin Matthew Davison, son of Matthew and Christina Davison
Zachary Lewis Davison, son of Matthew and Christina Davison
Spencer Boan Livingston-Valentine, son of Scott Allan Livingston and Jerry Francis Valentine
Liza Walsh Stevens, daughter of Matthew and Jennifer Stevens
Brayden Patrick Wood, son of Kevin and Stacey Wood

Those being baptized at the 11:00 worship service are
Andrew Bateman Baker, son of Jeffery Baker and Nancy Tegethoff-Baker
Anna Grace Dore, daughter of James and Bridget Dore
Tess Caroline Jeschke, daughter of Stephen and Erin Jeschke
Siena Evelyn Moore, daughter of Wayne and Helen Moore
Collin Pearce Reardon, son of Sean and Ann Reardon
Henry James Vanravenswaay, son of Erich and Kristen Vanravenswaay
Worship Leaders

9:30 a.m. Victoria G. Curtiss, Hardy H. Kim, John Buchanan
11:00 a.m. Judith L. Watt, Hardy H. Kim, John Buchanan

The Music Today

9:30 a.m. The Morning Choir; Carol Carpenter, soloist
11:00 a.m. The Children’s Choir; The Morning Choir; Carol Carpenter, soloist

John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music
Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist and Handbell Director
Katy Sinclair, Director of Children’s and Youth Music
Hsing Huei Huang, pianist

Worship Notes

This morning’s Prayer of Confession and Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication are from the *Book of Common Worship.*

The Introit at 11:00 is from *100% Chance of Rain,* the Fourth Church children’s musical, which will be presented this Friday, November 18 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

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 images, 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 photograph depicts the white tulips, hung on the pillars in the Sanctuary for Easter, silhouetted against the south aisle windows.

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