

MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE	Trumpet Air	<i>James Bremner</i>
	Fugue	<i>William Selby</i>
	Land of Our Birth	<i>Ralph Vaughan Williams</i>
	Sonata No. 2 Maestoso	<i>Eugene Thayer</i>

INTROIT	“The Lord Is in His Holy Temple”	<i>Eric DeLamarter</i>
	The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him. Amen.	

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

*HYMN 262	“God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand”	
		<i>Tune: NATIONAL HYMN</i>

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

**God of all nations:
you led men and women to this land,
and out of our conflicts you have created in us
a love for peace and liberty.
When we neglect rights and restrict freedoms, we fail you.
When we turn away neighbors in need and refuse
to extend the opportunities of this land to all,
we offend your justice and your love. Forgive us.
Forgive pride that will not acknowledge national wrong
and that justifies injustice.
Forgive our divisions of race and class.
Make us compassionate, fair, and helpful
to each other and to all people.
Raise up in us a right patriotism that seeks
our nation’s good and the world’s peace and hope.
Through Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER Psalm 48 (*responsively*) (page 490, O.T.)

ANTHEM “Simple Gifts” *Shaker melody*
arr. Aaron Copland

’Tis the gift to be simple; ’tis the gift to be free; ’tis the gift to
come down where you ought to be, and when we find ourselves
in the place just right, ’twill be in the valley of love and delight.
When true simplicity is gained, to bow and to bend we shan’t
be ashamed. To turn, turn, will be our delight, ’till by turning,
turning we come round right.

FIRST LESSON Mark 6:1–6 (page 38, N.T.)

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

***GLORIA PATRI** (The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON Galatians 5:1, 13–14 (page 179, N.T.)

SERMON by John M. Buchanan
GOD’S ALMOST CHOSEN PEOPLE
“For freedom Christ has set us free.” Galatians 5:1 (NRSV)

***HYMN 564** “O Beautiful for Spacious Skies” *Tune: MATERNA*

***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 “And Kindness Dwell in Human Hearts” *English melody arr. Thomas Gouwens*

And kindness dwell in human hearts, and all the earth find peace.
Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM “Ain’t-a That Good News” *African American spiritual arr. William L. Dawson*

I got a crown up in that kingdom, ain’t-a that good news.
I’m a-going to lay down this world, going to shoulder up my cross,
take it home to my Jesus, ain’t-a that good news. I got a harp up
in the kingdom, ain’t-a that good news. I’m a going to lay down
this world, going to shoulder up my cross, take it home to my Jesus,
ain’t-a that good news. I got a robe up in the kingdom, ain’t-a that
good news. I’m a going to lay down this world, going to shoulder up
my cross, take it home to my Jesus, ain’t-a that good news.

*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.

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***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: **Great and mighty God,
we thank you for this land so fair and free,
for its worthy aims and high hopes.
We are grateful for people who have come with
customs and accents and dreams to enrich our lives.
Lead us into the future as you have led us in the past.
Renew within us our commitment to liberty and
justice for all. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

***HYMN 561**

“My Country, 'Tis of Thee”

Tune: AMERICA

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Marche Américaine

Charles Marie-Widor

IN THE DETAILS



A close-up look at the seven-foot-tall carved wooden angels atop the aisle piers reveals their distinctive expressions, patterns, and instruments. Shown above are the pair of angels closest to the chancel.

One in a series on the architectural details of Fourth Church

WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. Adam Fronczek, Donna Gray, John M. Buchanan

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THE MUSIC TODAY

9:30 a.m. Men of the Morning Choir

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

WORSHIP NOTES

Part of this morning's prelude was composed by James Bremner and William Selby, who were among the first composers in America. Both men were active during the American Revolution, Bremner as organist at Christ Church in Philadelphia and Selby as organist at King's Chapel in Boston.

The men of the Morning Choir will be singing during morning worship services in July. The women 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.

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