MORNING WORSHIP

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

Préambule Louis Vierne

INTROIT "O Thou Sweetest Source of Gladness"

Louis Bourgeois arr. Philip Ledger

O thou sweetest source of gladness, light's all lovely fountainhead, who alike in joy and sadness

leavest none unvisited. Breath of Godhead, highest King,

who upholding everything, wilt uphold with love undying. Hear, O hear me humbly crying.

*Doxology and Invocation

(The Hymnal, 592)

*Hymn 386 "O for a World" Tune: Azmon

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious God,

we confess that we have been quick to speak

and slow to listen;

quick to anger and slow to love; quick to hear but slow to act.

Forgive us our complacency, O Lord.

Help us to be doers of the word

and not merely hearers of the word.

Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

MINUTE FOR MISSION

PSALTER Psalm 84 (responsively) (page 513, O.T.)

ANTHEM "Alleluia Psallat" Anonymous

Alleluia. Sing praise, happy family. Strike the timbrels;

pluck the harp strings with joyful harmony.

Sing praise to the Lord your God on high. Alleluia.

First Lesson John 1:1–5 (page 86, N.T.)

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

*GLORIA PATRI (The Hymnal, 579)

Second Lesson James 1:19–27 (page 215, N.T.)

SERMON by Joann H. Lee

JUST DO IT!

"But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves." James 1:22 (NRSV)

*HYMN 434 "Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples"

Tune: Kingsfold

*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;

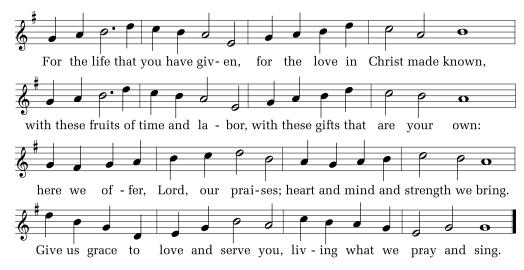
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body;

and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING

Offertory Solo "Prière" Jean Langlais

*Offertory Response



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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.

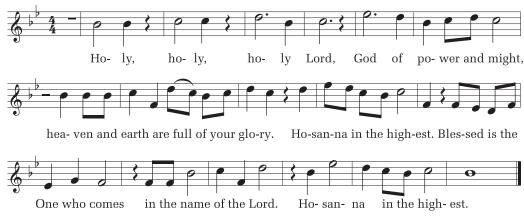
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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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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 "I Saw a Stranger"

Wilbur Held

I saw a stranger yester e'en. I put food in the eating place, drink in the drinking place, music in the listening place; and in the blessed name of the Triune, he blessed myself and my house, my cattle, and my dear ones. And the lark said in her song, "Often goes the Christ in the stranger's guise."

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

Loving God,
you have given us a share in the one bread,
and the one cup,
and made us one with Jesus Christ,
the Word made flesh.
May we who have now heard your word
go into the world to live and do your word.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

*Hymn 369 "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

Tune: I'm Gonna Live

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

Postlude Rondeau Henry Purcell

The Lord's Supper at Fourth Presbyterian Church

"Do this in remembrance of me." Luke 22:19 (NRSV)

The Lord's Supper is the sign and seal of eating and drinking in communion with the crucified and risen Lord. In this act, we remember that during his earthly ministry, Jesus shared meals with his followers and sat at dinner tables as a sign of acceptance of the sinner and the outcast. In the last meal before his death, Jesus took and shared with his disciples bread and wine, speaking of these elements as his body and blood, symbols of the new relationship with God brought about by his impending death. On the day of his resurrection, the risen Jesus made himself known to his followers in the breaking of bread.

In the act of remembering that is the Lord's Supper, we receive and trust the love of Christ present to us and to the world. Through it, we are renewed and empowered to be the church, the body of Christ, in the world.

The invitation to the Lord's Supper is not just for Presbyterians or "members of the church." All who confess Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper. Access to the Table is not a right conferred upon the worthy but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. 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.

This morning the congregation is served in the pews by elders and deacons in an act symbolizing their role as servant leaders in the church. The congregation also takes on the role of serving: worshipers take the bread and grape juice from the plate held by their neighbor and then they take the plate and serve the neighbor on their other side. Empty glasses are placed in the ringed holes in the pew racks.

Fourth Presbyterian Church celebrates the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper each Sunday at 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. worship and at all morning services on the first Sunday of even-numbered months.

"I am the bread of life."
John 6:35 (NRSV)

Portions of the text above adapted from *The Book of Order*

WORSHIP LEADERS

John H. Boyle, Jocelyn C. Cadwallader, Joann H. Lee

THE MUSIC TODAY

Women of the Morning Choir

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

WORSHIP NOTES

Today's Minute for Mission is being presented by Mike Ban on behalf of the Adult Education Committee and the Academy for Faith and Life.

The women of the Morning Choir are singing during morning worship services in August; the Chancel 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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