

## 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*

**INTROIT** “Praise Ye the Lord” *Eric DeLamarter*  
Praise ye the Lord. The Lord is high above all nations.

**\*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION** (The Hymnal, 592)

**\*HYMN 252** “O Lord, You Are My God and King” *Tune: JERUSALEM*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*unison*)

**God of life,  
grant us your forgiveness.  
We have been heedless in our thoughts,  
cruel in our words,  
and shameful in our actions.  
We are indifferent to a world  
made sad by want and wastefulness;  
we pass by on the other side  
when we see our neighbor in need;  
we wander from the way that leads to peace.  
God of life, grant us your forgiveness.  
Amen.**

**DECLARATION OF PARDON**

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

**CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH**

**PSALTER** Psalm 1 (*responsively*) (page 463, O.T.)

**ANTHEM** “Hallelujah, Amen” from *Judas Maccabeus*  
*George Frideric Handel*  
Hallelujah, amen. O Judah, rejoice in songs divine,  
with cherubim and seraphim harmonious join.

**FIRST LESSON** James 3:13–18 (page 216, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

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

**SECOND LESSON** Mark 9:30–37 (page 42, N.T.)

**SERMON** by Calum I. MacLeod

THE BIG SECRET

“They argued . . . who was the greatest.” Mark 9:34

**\*HYMN 333** “Seek Ye First” *Tune: LAFFERTY*

**\*APOSTLES’ CREED** (*unison*)

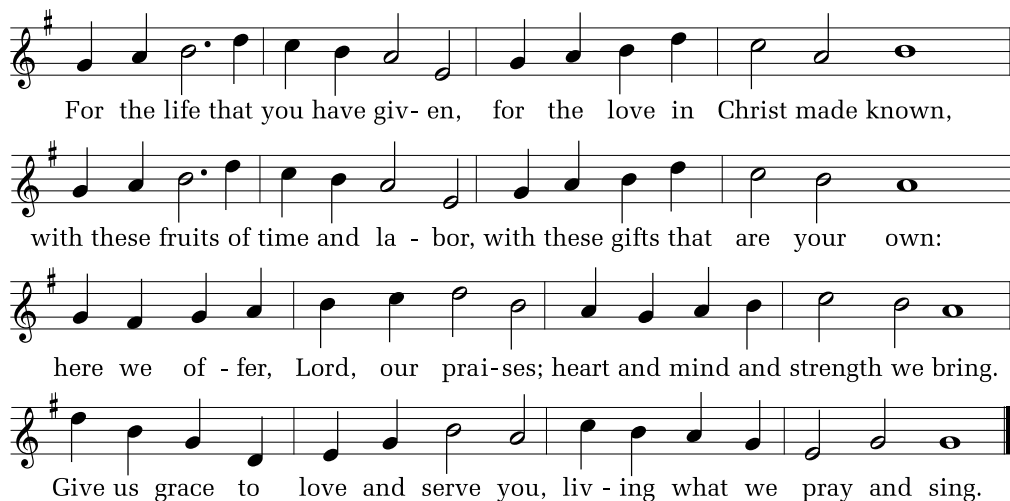
**I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
he descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again 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** The Aeolian Sonata  
II. Shalom

*Dan Locklair*

## \*OFFERTORY 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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## 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.**

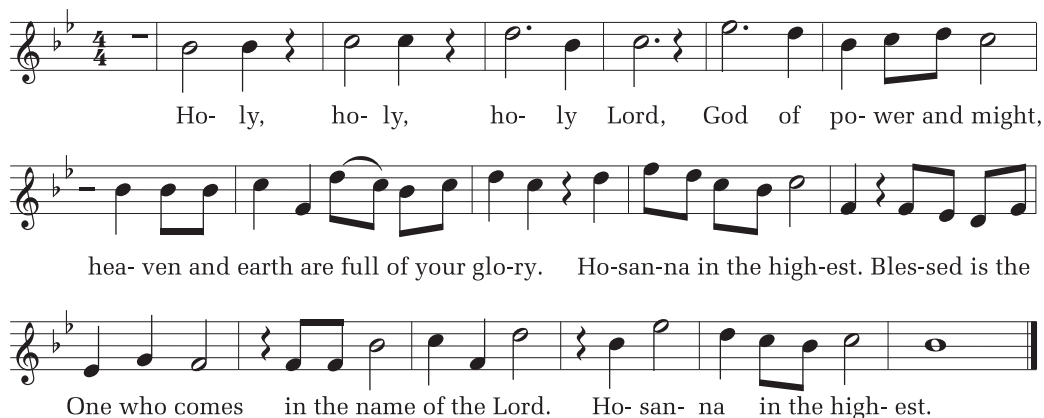
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### PRAYER

Minister: Gratitude, praise, hearts lifted high . . .

. . . who forever sing to the glory of your name:



Ho- ly, ho- ly, ho- ly Lord, God of po- wer and might,  
hea- ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. 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** "The Bread of Life" *E. DeLamarter*

The bread of God is that which cometh down out of heaven and giveth life unto the world. Lord, evermore give us this bread. Jesus said, "I am the bread of life, they that cometh to me shall not hunger. I am the bread of life, they that believeth in me shall never thirst." Amen.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** (*unison*)

**Gracious God,  
we thank you for the love  
which brings us food from heaven,  
the life of your dear Son.  
Grant that strengthened in this fellowship  
we may continue his work in the world  
until we come to the glory of your eternal kingdom.  
Amen.**

**\*HYMN 433** "There's a Spirit in the Air" *Tune: LAUDS*

**BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE**

**POSTLUDE** Thou Art Peter, the Rock *Henri Mulet*

## The Lord's Supper at Fourth Presbyterian Church

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

**T**he 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 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, 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. Worshipers will return to their pews by the side aisles.

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

Joyce Shin, Donna Gray, Calum I. MacLeod

## THE MUSIC TODAY

The Chancel Choir; Carol Carpenter, alto soloist

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

## WORSHIP NOTES

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**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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