

MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE Cortège et Litanie *Marcel Dupré*

INTROIT “Holy Is the True Light” *William H. Harris*
Holy is the true light, and passing wonderful, lending radiance to them that endured the conflict: from Christ they inherit a home of unfailing splendor, unfading, wherein they rejoice with gladness evermore. Alleluia.

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

***HYMN 371** “Lift High the Cross” *Tune: CRUCIFER*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

**Eternal God,
although we are the communion of saints,
we are also a circle of sinners.
We cling to death, hiding in tombs that
we have carved out of fear and stubbornness,
ignoring your call to come out.
We fail to unbind each other
from oppression, poverty, and abuse.
You lay a feast before us,
but we fill ourselves with selfishness
and wonder why we are hungry.
We are convinced that our best days are behind us,
not believing that you are making all things new.
Forgive us, we pray, and show us
the light that we yearn to see.
Lead us out of the cave
and into your everlasting way,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER Psalm 116:1–15 (*responsively*) (page 533, O.T.)

ANTHEM “Hark, I Hear the Harps Eternal” *American folk hymn*
arr. Alice Parker

Hark, I hear the harps eternal ringing on the farther shore,
as I near those swollen waters with their deep and solemn
roar. Hallelujah, praise Lhe lamb, glory to the great I Am.
And my soul, though stained with sorrow, fading as the
light of day, passes swiftly over those waters to the city far
away. Souls have crossed before me, saintly, to that land of
perfect rest; and I hear them singing faintly in the mansions
of the blest.

FIRST LESSON John 11:17–27 (page 99, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

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

SECOND LESSON Revelation 21:1–6 (page 244, N.T.)

SERMON JOHN M. BUCHANAN

A Sermon for All Saints’ Sunday

*“Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death
of his faithful ones.”* Psalm 116:15 (NRSV)

***HYMN 275** “God of Our Life” *Tune: SANDON*

***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.**

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION
AND LITANY OF REMEMBRANCE**

Minister: God of the ages, we praise you for all your servants who have done justice, loved mercy, and walked humbly with their God. For apostles and martyrs and saints of every time and place, who in life and death have witnessed to your truth,

People: **we praise you, O God.**

Minister: For all your servants who have faithfully served you, witnessed bravely, and died in faith, who still are shining lights in the world,

People: **we praise you, O God.**

Minister: For those no longer remembered, who earnestly sought you in darkness, who held fast their faith in trial, and served others,

People: **we praise you, O God.**

Minister: For those we have known and loved, who by their faithful obedience and steadfast hope have shown the same mind that was in Christ Jesus, and especially for those members of Fourth Presbyterian Church who have, in the year just past, finished their race and are now at rest with you (*reading of the names*) . . . We give you thanks, O God, and for these your servants,

People: **we praise you, O God.**

All: **Keep us grateful for their witness and, like them, eager to follow in the way of Christ. Then at the last, bring us with them to share in the inheritance of the saints in light; through Jesus Christ, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO Memorial

Louis Vierne

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

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 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:

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 COMMUNION

COMMUNION ANTHEM "The Souls of the Righteous" *Ronald Arnatt*

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God;
there shall no torment touch them. In the sight of the
unwise they seem to die, but they are in peace.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**We thank you, eternal God, that you have fed us
in this sacrament, uniting us with Christ and with
all the faithful who have come before us who have
served you with courage and with joy. Renewed for
our daily living in this world, may we remember
that we belong to you and that you lead us into
newness of life. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ
our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the
Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

***HYMN 526**

"For All the Saints"

Tune: SINE NOMINE

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Litanies

Jehan Alain

ALL SAINTS' DAY

ON ALL SAINTS' DAY we remember the faithful who have gone before us and honor departed loved ones. As part of that observance, the names of Fourth Church members who have entered the Church Triumphant since last All Saints' Sunday, November 2, 2008, are read during worship.

Clarabelle Bailey	Paul Galloway	Elizabeth Reeves
Katherine Balsen	Janis Gray	Morris Custer Ritchie
Helen Barnick	Zhya Jacobs	Margaret Stone
Eric Batterman	Helen Joseph	Zelna Robertz
Chase Dexter Bowman	Zhya Jacobs	Daniel Vittum
Jack Cochran	Richard William Koch	Daniel Vittum
Judith Cocks	John Linton	Adele Wallace
Grace Davies	Marjorie Loop	Wendell Wenstrand
Carl I. Faust Jr.	Geraldine Montgomery	Ray Zanarini
Dana Ferguson Myers	Joan J. Dixon Mooney	
<i>(October 27, 2008)</i>	Marietta Munnis	

WORSHIP LEADERS

Calum I. MacLeod, Sarah A. Johnson, John M. Buchanan

THE MUSIC TODAY

The Chancel Choir; Cole Seaton, tenor soloist

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

WORSHIP NOTES

Fourth Church gratefully acknowledges the gift of a new needlepoint seat cushion for the chancel. The handiwork of Morgan Simmons, a member of this congregation and, from 1968 to 1996, organist and choirmaster of Fourth Church, the cushion is given in memory of Dana Ferguson and includes her initials.

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. 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. 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.

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