MORNING WORSHIP

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

Prelude Cantabile Joseph Clokey

Introit "When in the Hour of Deepest Need" Louis Bourgeois

When in the hour of deepest need we know not where to look for aid, when days and nights of anxious thought no help or counsel yet have brought. Thus have we come, O God, today, and all our woes before you lay; for sorely tried, cast down, we stand,

perplexed by fears on every hand.

*Doxology and Invocation

(The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN 353 "Great God, Your Love Has Called Us Here"

Tune: Das Neugeborne Kindelein

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Sometimes, O God, your word is too much for us. You ask us to love our enemies, when we can scarcely love our friends as we should. You ask us to give when we want to take, and to forgive when we want to nurse bitterness. We thank you that you receive us, that you show us what we can be, and that you make us new. Help us to believe that we can be loving, just, and holy like you. Through the grace of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER Psalm 126 (responsively) (page 541, O.T.)

ANTHEM "Thou Knowest, Lord, the Secrets of Our Hearts"

Henry Purcell

First Lesson Isaiah 43:18–21 (page 632, O.T.)

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

*GLORIA PATRI (The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON Philippians 3:4b–14 (page 187, N.T.)

SERMON JOYCE SHIN

To Be the Good News

"I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead." Philippians 3:10–11 (NRSV)

*Hymn 389 "O Jesus, I Have Promised" Tune: Nyland

*Apostles' Creed (unison)

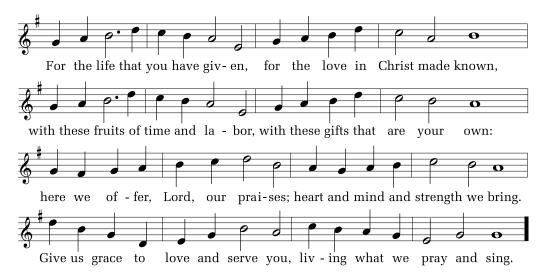
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; 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 "Pié Jesu" from Requiem Andrew Lloyd Webber

Blessed Jesus, Lord, grant them rest.

*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.

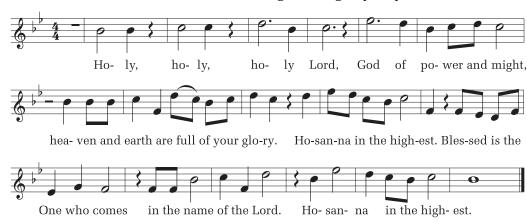
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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 "The Word Made Flesh"

Dave Brubeck

The Word made flesh transforms bread into flesh by his own word! Wine becomes the blood of Christ! And though our senses fail, faith alone suffices and strengthens the pure in heart.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

Loving God, you graciously feed us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation. May we who have received this sacrament be strengthened in your service; we who have sung your praises tell of your glory and truth; we who have seen the greatness of your love see you face to face in your kingdom. For you have made us to be a new creation by the death and resurrection of your Son, our Lord, and by the life-giving power of your Spirit. Amen.

*Hymn 508

"For the Bread Which You Have Broken"

Tune: Kingdom

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Fugue in B-flat Major

Nikolaus Vetter

Join the Journey to Easter

Palm Sunday March 28

8:00, 9:30, and 11:30 a.m. Morning Services

John Buchanan preaching

4:00 p.m. Communion Service

John Vest Preaching

Holy Week

Monday-Friday, March 29-April 2 at 12:10 p.m.

Noonday Services

Lunch will be served immediately following the service

each day. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

Maundy Thursday 12:10 p.m. Communion Service

April 1

7:30 p.m. Tenebrae Communion Service

Good Friday 12:10 p.m. Good Friday Service

April 2

4:00 p.m. Children's Service in Blair Chapel

7:30 p.m. Choral Service

Saturday

Easter Vigil

April 3

10:30 p.m. to midnight in the sanctuary

John W. Vest preaching

Easter Sunday

6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service at Oak Street Beach

April 4

Calum I. MacLeod preaching

8:00, 9:30, 11:30 a.m. Easter Services

John Buchanan preaching

9:30 a.m. Children's Service

in Westminster House

4:00 p.m. Easter Service

Adam Fronczek preaching

Please note that the last morning service on Palm Sunday and Easter begins at 11:30 a.m.

Also please keep in mind that sanctuary seating for all services on Easter morning fills quickly and early and be prepared for possible delays in entering and exiting parking garages as a result of increased traffic volume.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Donna Gray, John H. Boyle, Joyce Shin

THE MUSIC TODAY

The Chancel Choir; Carol Carpenter and Andrea Pokrefke, soloists John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

WORSHIP NOTES

The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering is being received throughout Lent. Gifts to this offering support Chicago Lights Tutoring and the Elam Davies Social Service Center as well as the work of the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Hunger, and Self-Development of People programs. To make a gift to this offering, use the envelopes in the pew racks or write "Lenten Offering" on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

Printed copies of sermons recently preached at Fourth Church are available in the literature racks outside the South Transept doors (leading to Anderson Hall) and in the Narthex, at the back of the sanctuary. They are also available at www.fourthchurch.org.

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. (Gluten-free bread is available in a small tumbler in each basket of bread.) 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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