MORNING WORSHIP

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

Prelude and Fugue on a Theme of Vittoria Benjamin Britten

Adagio in E Major Frank Bridge
Siciliano for a High Ceremony Herbert Howells

Introit "Let the Words of My Mouth" Henry Purcell

Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be alway acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

*Hymn 461 "God Is Here!" Tune: Abbot's Leigh

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Merciful God,

we have set aside this place to worship you,

knowing that we have failed to see you in other places.

We have ignored your beauty in earth and sky,

in plants and animals,

and in the people who surround us.

We have chosen to focus on what we do not have rather than to rejoice in what you have offered us.

Forgive our ignorance, Lord, and forgive our ingratitude.

Fill our senses with knowledge of you

here and everywhere. In Christ's name we pray.

Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY

^{*}Stand as you are able.

ANTHEM

"Thy Mercy, Jehovah"

Benedetto Marcello

Thy mercy, Jehovah, is in the heavens; thy faithfulness reacheth unto the clouds. Thy righteousness standeth like as the strong mountains; thy judgments are a great deep. O Lord, thou preservest both man and beast; how great is thy mercy. O Lord most high, with thee is

the fountain of life, and in thy light shall we see light.

PSALTER

Psalm 107:1–9 (responsively)

(page 528, O.T.)

*GLORIA PATRI

(The Hymnal, 579)

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 14:1, 7-11

(page 72, N.T.)

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

SERMON

JOYCE SHIN

Either Disgraced by Distinction or Humbled by Hospitality "For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." Luke 14:11 (NRSV)

*Hymn 376

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

I believe in God the Father Almighty,

Tune: Hyfrydol

*Apostles' Creed

(unison)

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 "Amen"

Vincent Persichetti

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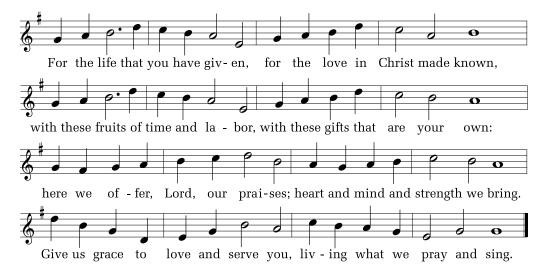
OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"To Thee, O Lord My God"

B. Marcello

To thee, O Lord my God, will I lift up my soul. My God, I have put my trust in thee; let me never be confounded.

*Presentation of the Offering and Response



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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: You, O Lord, have always been gracious to us.

You never measure out your love for us. Instead you invite us into your kingdom,

to dine with you, to taste and see that you are good.

Accept these gifts of our appreciation and by your grace multiply the good

that can be done through them.

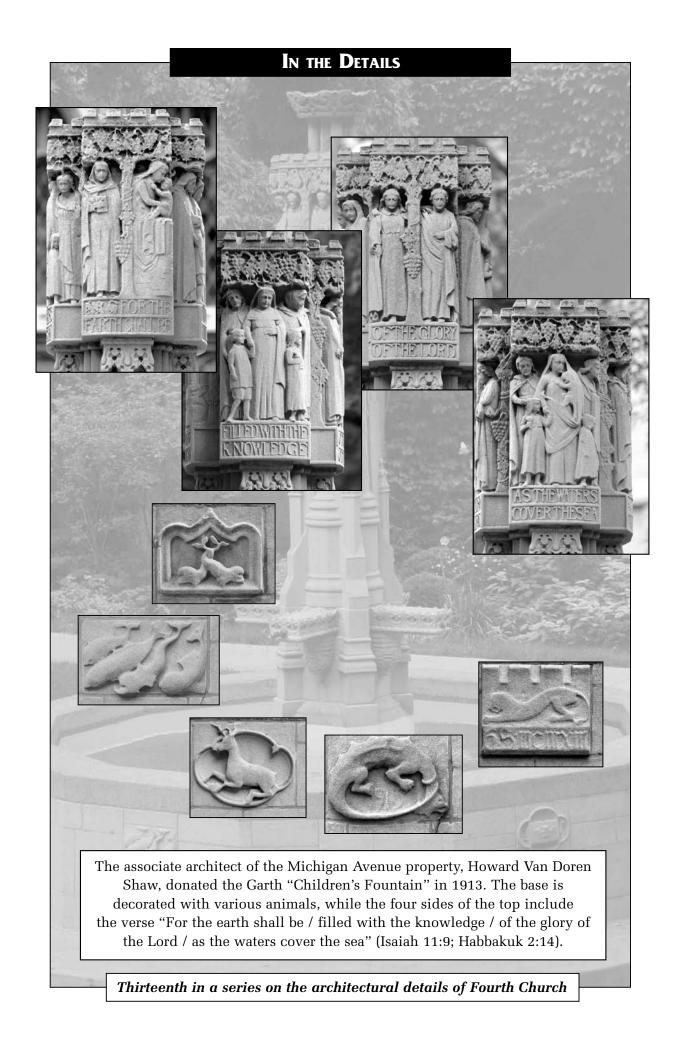
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, we pray.

Amen.

*Hymn 442 "The Church's One Foundation" Tune: Aurelia

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE A Tune for the Tuba Eric H. Thiman



WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. Victoria G. Curtiss, Calum I. MacLeod, Joyce Shin

11:00 a.m. Donna Gray, Calum I. MacLeod, Joyce Shin

THE MUSIC TODAY

9:30 a.m. Men of the Morning Choir; David Hoffman and Daniel Henry, soloists 11:00 a.m. Men of the Morning Choir; David Hoffman and Daniel Henry, soloists

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

WORSHIP NOTES

Today's Minute for Ministry is presented by Linda VanderWeele on behalf of the Adult Education Committee.

A special Disaster Relief Offering is being received today to help meet the emergency needs of those affected by the flooding in Pakistan. Gifts, which will be distributed through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, can be made by using the Disaster Assistance envelopes in the pew racks, by writing "Disaster Assistance" on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church, or online at www.fourthchurch.org.

This morning's second hymn, "Love Divine, All Love's Excelling," was composed by Rowland Hugh Prichard in 1831. Prichard was a gifted song leader and hymn composer who was born in Bala, Wales, where he spent most of his life. He was nineteen years old when he composed this hymn, and with one exception, the melody lies within the first five notes of the scale. The hymn was soon published in a collection of Welsh hymn tunes.

Fourth Church would like to thank the men of the Morning Choir for singing during morning worship services in August. 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).

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