

INTRODUCTION OF NEW PASTORAL RESIDENTS

- ANTHEM** “Jesu, the Very Thought of Thee” *Richard Proulx*
Jesu, the very thought of thee with sweetness fills my breast,
but sweeter far thy face to see and in thy presence rest. No voice
can sing, nor memory find, a sweeter sound than thy blest name,
O Savior of mankind. O hope of every contrite heart! O joy of all
the meek! To those who fall how kind thou art, how good to those
who seek! But what to those who find? Ah, this no tongue nor pen
can show the love of Jesus! What it is, none but his loved ones know.
Jesus, our only joy be thou, as thou our prize wilt be. Jesu, be thou
our glory now and through eternity.
- PSALTER** Psalm 14 (*responsively*) (page 468, O.T.)
- *GLORIA PATRI** (The Hymnal, 579)
- SCRIPTURE LESSON** Exodus 3:1–15 (page 48, O.T.)
Minister: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**
- SERMON** JOHN BUCHANAN
The God Who Is
“*God said to Moses, ‘I AM WHO I AM.’*” Exodus 3:14 (NRSV)
- *HYMN 330** “Deep in the Shadows of the Past” *Tune: SHEPHERDS’ PIPES*
- *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.**

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"

Richard Warner

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Ain't Got Time to Die" *African American spiritual*
arr. Hall Johnson

Lord, I keep so busy praising my Jesus, ain't got time to die.
'Cause when I'm healing the sick, I'm praising my Jesus.
Ain't got time to die, 'cause it takes all of my time to praise
my Jesus. If I don't praise him, the rocks going to cry out,
"Glory and honor!" Lord, I keep so busy working for the kingdom,
ain't got time to die. 'Cause when I'm feeding the poor I'm working
for the kingdom. Lord, I keep so busy serving my master,
ain't got time to die. 'Cause when I'm giving my all,
I'm serving my master. Ain't got time to die!

*PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND 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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***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: **Merciful God, creator of all that is,
source of all being,
we humbly thank you
for all you are and for all you have made us,
for the gift of our lives and the lives of our dear ones,
for the capacity to love and to be loved,
for our life together in your world and your church.
Receive these gifts and the gratitude they represent.
Bless them and use them
for the work of your kingdom on earth:
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

***HYMN 289**

“O God of Every Nation”

Tune: LLANGLOFFAN

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune

Frederick Swann

“Let the little children come to me . . .
for it is to such as these that the
kingdom of heaven belongs.”

Matthew 19:14 (NRSV)

Baptism

at Fourth Presbyterian Church

Each second Sunday of the month, Fourth Church includes the Sacrament of Baptism in morning worship. Baptism is the sign and seal of God's grace and covenant in Christ. As *The Book of Order* of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) explains, baptism signifies the faithfulness of God, the washing away of sin, rebirth, putting on the fresh garment of Christ, and adoption into the covenant family of the church. The baptism of children witnesses to the truth that God's love claims people before they are able to respond in faith. The congregation, on behalf of the whole church, assumes responsibility for nurturing the baptized children in the Christian life, and it is for this reason that the congregation makes such a promise during the service. In the unison prayer we also remember that we too were baptized and as children of God are part of the worldwide family of faith.

Those being baptized at the 9:30 worship service are

Colin Knox Baise, son of Joel and Kendra Baise
Annaliese Marie Coppler, daughter of Courtlan and Alison Coppler
Ethan James Grieve, son of Andrew and Julie Grieve
Christopher James Hutchison, son of James and Christine Hutchison
Margot Sungmee Lee Park, daughter of Albert and Jennifer Park
Cooper Louis Rabe, son of Benjamin and Sarah Rabe

Those being baptized at the 11:00 worship service are

Chloe Elise Abendroth, daughter of John and Amy Abendroth
Jonathan Davis Chihoski, son of Michael and Angela Chihoski
Emma Elizabeth Engels, daughter of Ronald and Sally Engels
Zarina Foudree, daughter of Bruce Foudree and Suzanne Reade
Alexander John Nicholson, son of John and Alicia Nicholson
Doris Jean Schuhow, daughter of Joe and Katie Schuhow

WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. Joyce Shin, Calum I. MacLeod, John Buchanan

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THE MUSIC TODAY

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

WORSHIP NOTES

This morning's Prelude on a Melody by Sowerby was written by Morgan Simmons, former Organist and Choirmaster of Fourth Presbyterian Church from 1968 to 1996. Dedicated to his wife Mary, who served as Associate Organist, it also honors Leo Sowerby, who was Associate Organist at Fourth Church in the 1920s.

Fourth Presbyterian Church welcomes two new Pastoral Residents to the pastoral staff this fall. Kerri N. Allen and Matthew J. Helms, who are being introduced today, will be with the congregation for the next two years, participating in the Pastoral Residency program, which was begun in 2000. This program provides these recent seminary graduates with the opportunity to work in a congregational setting while being mentored—by congregation and staff—in the skills and disciplines of parish leadership. For the two years that they participate in the program, Fourth Church will be privileged to have them as part of the staff, using their pastoral gifts and skills among us while they each continue in their formation as practicing Presbyterian ministers. As their second year in the program draws to a close, each will then pursue a call to ministry elsewhere, sharing their gifts and leadership with others in the Presbyterian Church.

“What the Bible Says, and What We Believe, about God” is the title of the sermon series by John Buchanan that begins today and continues through November 21. Next Sunday's sermon, “Giants Ahead and We Are Merely Grasshoppers,” will be based on Numbers 13 and Psalm 84.

The bulletin cover depicts the Fourth Church steeple as viewed from the Garth on a foggy night in March.

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