

## MORNING WORSHIP

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

**PRELUDE**                      Be Thou My Vision                      *arr. Cynthia Dobrinski*  
   Symphonie Gothique                      *Charles-Marie Widor*  
   Andante Sostenuto  
   Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty                      *arr. Kevin McChesney*

**INTROIT**                      “Herein Is Love”                      *George Thalben-Ball*  
   Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that God loved us.

### \*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

\***HYMN 458**                      “Earth and All Stars”                      *Tune: DEXTER*

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

**Merciful God, in your gracious presence  
we confess our sin and the sin of this world.  
Although Christ is among us as our peace,  
we are a people divided against ourselves  
as we cling to the values of a broken world.  
The profit and pleasures we pursue  
lay waste the land and pollute the seas.  
The fears and jealousies that we harbor  
set neighbor against neighbor  
and nation against nation.  
We abuse your good gifts  
of imagination and freedom,  
of intellect and reason,  
and have turned them into bonds of oppression.  
Lord, have mercy upon us;  
heal and forgive us.  
Set us free to serve you in the world  
as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

### DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

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

### MINUTE FOR DISCIPLESHIP

*\*Stand as you are able.*

## CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

### PSALTER

Psalm 8 (*congregation sings refrain*)

*Hal H. Hopson*

REFRAIN

$\text{♩} = 100$  <sup>1</sup>O Lord, our God, ——— your name is glo-ri-ous ——— in all the earth.

1. Your praise reaches to the heavens. It is sung by the mouths of babes and children. Your power rebukes your mighty enemy, and stills the hostile foe.

***Refrain:*** O Lord, our God, your name is glorious in all the earth.

2. When I look to the heavens you created, the moon and the stars you made, who are we that you should spare a thought for us, even more that you should care for us?

***Refrain***

3. In your image we were created, you have crowned us with glory and splendor. You gave us power to rule your vast creation, you placed us over all your works.

***Refrain***

4. The sheep and oxen of the field, the beasts in the wildest habitation, the birds of the air, the fish, all creatures in the sea.

***Refrain***

### ANTHEM

“Sing, My Soul, His Wondrous Love”

*Ned Rorem*

Sing, my soul, his wondrous love, who from yon bright throne above, ever watchful o’er our race, still to us extends his grace. Heaven and earth by him were made, all is by his scepter swayed; what are we that he should show so much love to us below? God, the merciful and good, bought us with the Savior’s blood, and, to make our safety sure, guides us by his Spirit pure. Sing, my soul, adore his name; let his glory be thy theme: praise him till he calls thee home; trust his love for all to come.

### FIRST LESSON

Colossians 1:15–20

(page 188, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### \*GLORIA PATRI

(The Hymnal, 579)

### SECOND LESSON

Genesis 1:26–31, 2:15, 3:1–13

(page 1, O.T.)

A God Who Hopes and Expects

*“So God created humankind in his image. . . . And God said to them, “. . . Have dominion.”* Genesis 1:27, 28 (NRSV)

## \*HYMN 272

“God of the Sparrow”

*Tune: ROEDER*

## \*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”

*Kenneth E. Runkel*

## OFFERING

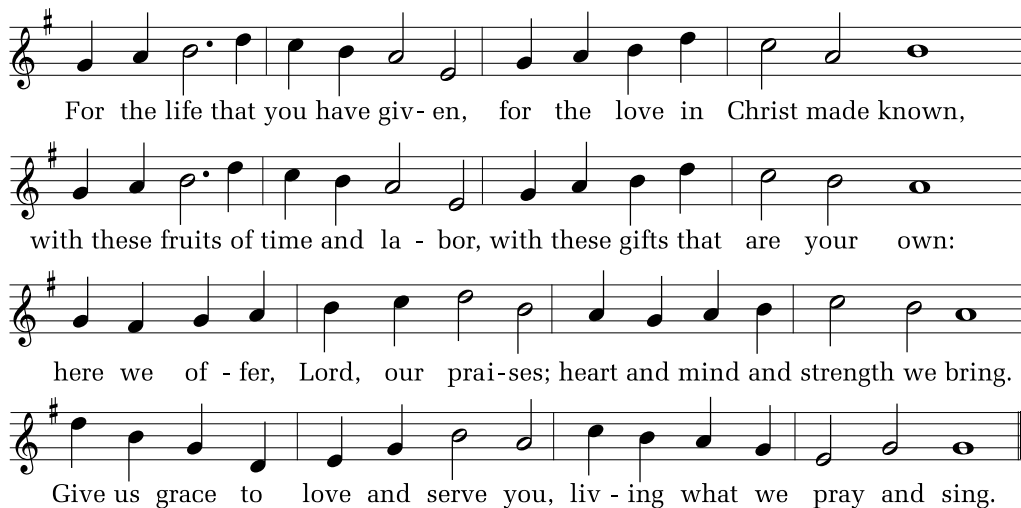
## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi”

*Ron Nelson*

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. O, divine master, grant that I may seek not so much to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love; for it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

**\*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: **God of all mercies, we give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all people. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your boundless love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. Give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory now and forever. Amen.**

**\*HYMN 268**

“God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens”

*Tune: HOLY MANNA*

**BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE**

**POSTLUDE**

Symphonie No. 2 in D Major  
Finale

*C. M. Widor*

Called to Be a Church

*Alive*  
FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



**Fourth Presbyterian Church is a church alive—**  
in worship, education and discipleship, and mission and service.  
As we continue to celebrate and share stories of “church alive,” including  
the one presented this morning by Deborah Mitchell, we look ahead to  
next Sunday, Commitment Sunday, when we make our gift responses  
to the 2011 Annual Appeal for Fourth Presbyterian Church  
and Chicago Lights, embracing our call to be a church alive.

[www.fourthchurch.org/churchalive.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/churchalive.html)

## WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. Joyce Shin, Adam Fronczek, 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 and Handbell Director

## WORSHIP NOTES

**“What the Bible Says, and What We Believe, about God”** is the title of the sermon series by John Buchanan that began September 12 and continues through November 21. The previous weeks’ sermons are available in the literature racks and online at [www.fourthchurch.org/sermons.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/sermons.html). Next week’s sermon will be “Always Reforming,” based on Luke 5:33–39.

**Fourth Church welcomes the Handbell Choir** this morning. This ensemble rehearses Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. and plays regularly on the fourth Sunday of each month during the academic year. Anyone interested in joining the Handbell Choir is encouraged to contact Thomas Gouwens at 312.787.2729, ext. 325.

**On the bulletin cover:** For a few minutes on two mornings each year (two weeks after the spring equinox and two weeks before the fall equinox), the sunlight shining into the Fourth Church cloisters from the southeast is counterbalanced by light reflecting off a building to the southwest. The cover quote is from the article “Quantum Spirituality” in *America* magazine, May 10, 2010.

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