

***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.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY DUET “How Lovely Are the Messengers”

*Felix Mendelssohn
arr. Donald Ripplinger*

***OFFERTORY 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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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:

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of po-wei 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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Minister: . . . Great is the mystery of faith.

People: **Christ has died. Christ is risen.**

Christ will come again.

Minister: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit . . .

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 “Great Are Your Mercies, Heavenly Father”

Chinese folk song

Great are your mercies, heavenly Father, food and raiment
you do still bestow. Let me praise you always, serve you all
my days. You the spring wind, I the grass, on me blow! Be
not so anxious, sisters, brothers, of what you daily eat and
what you wear. For our God sees and knows all our wants
and woes. Humbly let us work and trust God's great care.
Birds of the air fly here and yonder; lilies bloom, arrayed by
nature thus; they sow not, and reap not, neither do they
spin. Our provider cares for them, more for us! Could
Solomon in all his glory match these brilliant birds and
lovely flowers? Sisters, brothers, do not fret; God's love fails
not yet. This world God made is your home, yours and ours.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (*unison*)

**Loving God, we thank you
that you have fed us in this Sacrament,
united us with Christ,
and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet
in your eternal kingdom.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

*HYMN 268

“God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens”

Tune: HOLY MANNA

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Let All Together Praise Our God

Johann Sebastian Bach

WORSHIP LEADERS

Matthew J. Helms, Kerri N. Allen, John Buchanan

THE MUSIC TODAY

The Chancel Choir; Beena David, Laura Perrett, and Cole Seaton, soloists

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist and Handbell Director

WORSHIP NOTES

Today's Minute for Discipleship is presented by Deborah Mitchell.

The child being baptized at worship this morning is Sarah Burns McClung, daughter of Rob and Cyndy McClung.

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.

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). Through their combination of scripture texts and image, these banners celebrate and elevate the perception of the sacred in the "ordinary" as we make our faith journey day to day.

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