

MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE	The Lord's My Shepherd	<i>Searle Wright</i>
	Psalm Prelude (based on Psalm 23:4)	<i>Herbert Howells</i>
	When Jesus Wept	<i>Ruth Elaine Schram</i>
	Contemplation on "Ubi Caritas"	<i>Catherine McMichael</i>

INTROIT	"Seek Ye the Lord"	<i>George Thalben-Ball</i>
	Seek ye the Lord while he may be found; call ye upon him while he is near.	

***DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION** (The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN 223	"O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer"	<i>Tune: STUTTGART</i>
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PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

**Most merciful God, whose Son,
Jesus Christ, was tempted in every way,
yet was without sin,
we confess before you our own sinfulness;
we have hungered after that which does not satisfy;
we have compromised with evil;
we have doubted your power to protect us.
Forgive our lack of faith;
have mercy on our weakness.
Restore in us such trust and love
that we may walk in your ways
and delight in doing your will.
Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER	Psalm 25:1–10 <i>(responsively)</i>	(page 475, O.T.)
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SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 7:1–11

(page 6, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

JOHN BUCHANAN

A Full and Faithful Life

4. Asking, Searching, Knocking

“Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you.” Matthew 7:7 (NRSV)

***HYMN 170**

“The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want”

Tune: CRIMOND

***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

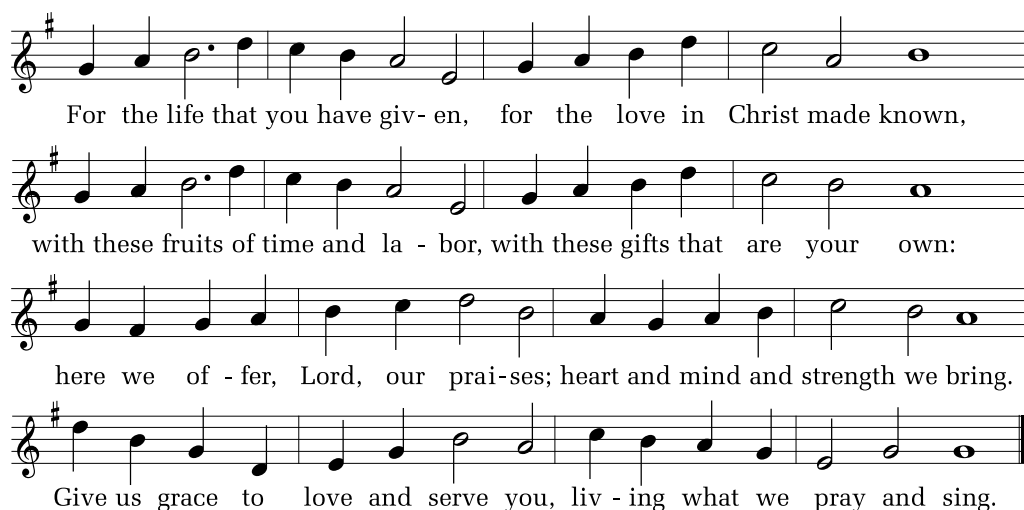
OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Treasures in Heaven”

Joseph W. Clokey

Lay not up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt and where thieves break through and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you, for every one that asketh receiveth and he that seeketh findeth and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

*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.**

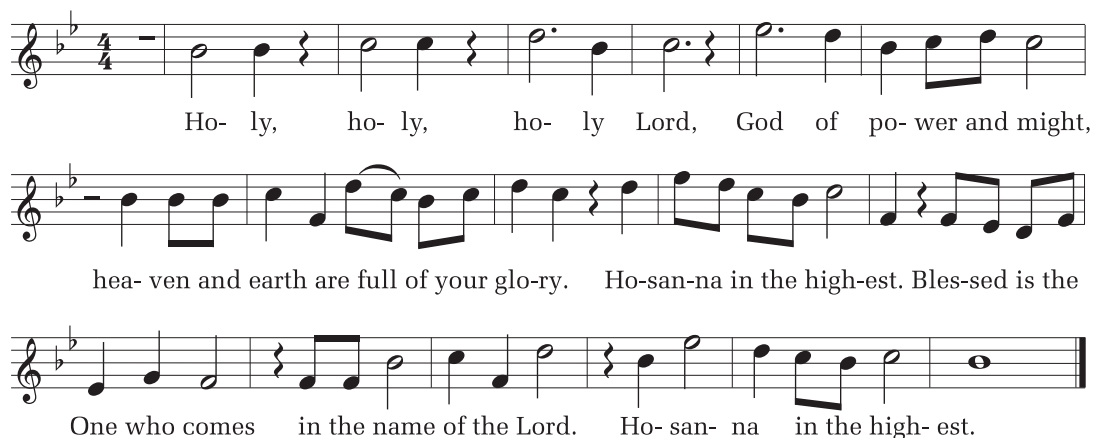
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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- wer 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 "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" *Andrew Clarkson*

The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his and he is mine forever. Where streams
of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth, and where the
verdant pastures grow with food celestial feedeth. In death's dark
vale I fear no ill with thee dear Lord beside me; thy rod and staff
my comfort still; thy cross before to guide me. And so through all
the length of days thy goodness faileth never, Good Shepherd
may I sing thy praise within thy house forever.

PSALM 23 *(recited in unison after all have received the cup)*

**The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures,
he leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul; he leadeth me in
the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil; for thou art with me;
thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence
of mine enemies; thou anointest my head with oil;
my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy
shall follow me all the days of my life;
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *(unison)*

Gracious God, you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. You have fed us with the bread of life and renewed us for your service. Help us who have shared Christ's body and received his cup to be his faithful disciples so that our daily living may be part of the life of your kingdom, and our love be your love reaching out into the life of the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***HYMN 303**

"Jesus, Lover of My Soul"

Tune: ABERYSTWYTH

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Toccata

Eugène Gigout

The Lord's Supper at Fourth Presbyterian Church

THE LORD'S SUPPER IS THE SIGN AND SEAL of eating and drinking in communion with the crucified and risen Lord. In this act, we remember that during his earthly ministry, Jesus shared meals with his followers and sat at dinner tables as a sign of acceptance of the sinner and the outcast. In the act of remembering that is the Lord's Supper, we receive and trust the love of Christ present to us and to the world. Through it, we are renewed and empowered to be the church, the body of Christ, in the world.

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.

This morning the congregation is served in the pews by elders and deacons in an act symbolizing their role as servant leaders in the church. The congregation also takes on the role of serving: worshipers take the bread and grape juice from the plate held by their neighbor and then they take the plate and serve the neighbor on their other side. Empty glasses are placed in the ringed holes in the pew racks.

Portions of the text above adapted from *The Book of Order*

WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. Thomas C. Rook, Joyce Shin, John Buchanan

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THE MUSIC TODAY

9:30 a.m. The Handbell Choir; the Morning Choir

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist and Handbell Director

WORSHIP NOTES

This morning's Prayer of Confession is from *The Worship Sourcebook* (Calvin Institute of Christian Worship).

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 Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and the Presbyterian Self-Development of People Program. Gifts can be made by using the envelopes in the pew racks or by writing "Lenten Offering" on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

Fourth Church offers a variety of worship opportunities in addition to Sunday morning services. An afternoon jazz service with Communion is held each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. Each weekday morning, Morning Prayer is held in Stone Chapel as a time to remember in prayer members of the Fourth Church congregation and those in need (9:30 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday; 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday).

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