MORNING WORSHIP

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

Prelude In Christ There Is No East or West Harold Darke

> Elegy George Thalben-Ball Chanson de Matin Edward Elgar

INTROIT "The Lord Is in His Holy Temple" Eric DeLamarter

The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence

before him. Amen.

*Hymn 491 "Stand Up and Bless the Lord" Tune: Carlisle

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious God, we come to you conscious of the things within ourselves we hate to remember, yet cannot forget: our self-indulgences, our prejudices, our resentments, our hypocrisies, our selfishness. Save us from self-contempt as we acknowledge these things and as we remember your love for us in spite of all that we are and do. Give us the assurance of pardon, the release and relief of those who know that the past is forgiven, and the zest and joy of those who know

that the future is still to make.

So may we live in that fullness and freedom of life, which you have promised that we can share through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

MINUTE FOR MISSION

^{*}Doxology and Invocation

PSALTER Psalm 103 (sung) (The Hymnal, 222)

ANTHEM Herbert Howells "My Eyes for Beauty Pine"

My eyes for beauty pine, my soul for God's grace,

no other care nor hope is mine, to heaven I turn my face. One splendor thence is shed from all the stars above:

'tis named when God's name is said.

'tis love, 'tis heavenly love.

And every gentle heart that burns with true desire is lit from eyes that mirror part of that celestial fire.

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 55:1-5 (page 644, O.T.)

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

*GLORIA PATRI (The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON Matthew 14:13-21 (page 15, N.T.)

SERMON CALUM I. MACLEOD

The Imperative of Compassion

". . . and he had compassion for them." Matthew 14:14 (NRSV)

*Hymn 300 "Down to Earth, as a Dove" Tune: Personent Hodie

*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"

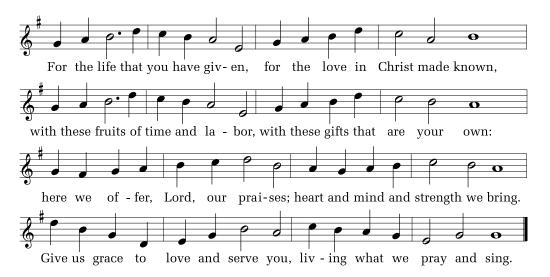
E. DeLamarter

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"The Song of the Tree of Life" Ralph Vaughan Williams
Unto him that overcometh shall be given of the tree of life
which is in the midst of the paradise of God. On either side
of the river groweth the tree of life; the leaves of the tree are
for thy healing. In the midst of that fair city flows the river
of water of life clear as crystal. Whoso will, let him take of
the water of life freely. Who so drinketh of this water shall
never thirst. Take thou the leaves of the tree of life. So shalt
thou enter in through the gates of the city.

*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: We give you thanks, O God,
for the wonder of your works
and the riches of your grace:
for the living Word in Scripture
and in the risen presence
of Jesus Christ, our Savior.
In our weakness and fear
you have loved us and wanted us,
saved us and freed us,
called us and sent us.
Thanks be to God for the gospel of grace.
And now we dedicate ourselves,

And now we dedicate ourselves, our time, talents, and money, to do your work in the world. In the name of the one who gave all for our sakes.

Amen.

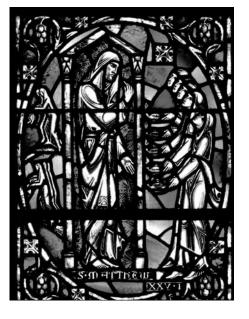
*Hymn 172 "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" Tune: Resignation

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

Postlude Grand Chorus William Faulkes

IN THE DETAILS







The Great East Window in the Fourth Presbyterian Church sanctuary was designed and made by renowned stained glass artist Charles J. Connick of Boston and dedicated in 1930. Also known as the Nettie Fowler McCormick Memorial Window, it illustrates the growth of Christianity from the four major prophets through the four evangelists, accompanied by the commanding figures of Peter and Paul.

Shown on this page is the evangelist Saint Matthew, who stands in the first opening of the window, at the left. (The identification "Saint Matthew" appears above his head.) The panel below him (*upper right*) portrays the parable of the wedding attendants who did not know at what hour the bridegroom would come (Matthew 25:1–13). Below that is the prophet Isaiah, seated with scroll and staff.

WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. Judith Watt, Adam H. Fronczek, Calum I. MacLeod 11:00 a.m. Judith Watt, Adam H. Fronczek, Calum I. MacLeod

THE MUSIC TODAY

9:30 a.m. Women of the Morning Choir11:00 a.m. Women of the Morning Choir

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist and Handbell Director

WORSHIP NOTES

This morning's Minute for Mission is presented by Karen Otto on behalf of the Resource Development Committee.

Fourth Church is grateful to the women of the Morning Choir, who have sung during morning worship services in July, for their music leadership. The men of the Morning Choir will sing in August, and 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). 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.

The bulletin cover quote is from Simone Weil's essay "Forms of the Implicit Love of God."

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