MORNING WORSHIP

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

Prelude Rhosymedre from *Three Welsh Hymns*

Ralph Vaughan Williams

Prelude in B-flat Major Pierre Camonin

Deck Yourself, My Soul, with Gladness

Johann Sebastian Bach

INTROIT "Thee We Adore, O Hidden Savior, Thee" Plainsong

Thee we adore, O hidden Savior, thee, who at this blessed feast art pleased to be; both flesh and spirit in thy presence fail, yet here thy presence we devoutly hail. O Christ, whom now beneath a veil we see, may what we thirst for soon our portion be, to gaze on thee unveiled and see thy face, the vision of thy glory and thy grace.

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

*HYMN 476 "O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!" Tune: Lyons

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Forgive us, O God, for so often we fail to look for you in the events of our lives. We tend to prioritize and plan according to our purposes alone. When we do look for you, it is often at those times when our plans have fallen short and we have fallen into despair or when they have succeeded and we want to give you thanks. Forgive us, God, for picking only those times to attribute to you blame or praise. Remind us that in all things and at all times you are at work and that for this we should give you praise. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER Psalm 40 (page 486, O.T.)

FIRST LESSON Genesis 37:1–28 (page 32, O.T.)

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

^{*}Stand as you are able.

*GLORIA PATRI (The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON Romans 8:28–30 (page 148, N.T.)

SERMON JOYCE SHIN

A High View of God

"We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose." Romans 8:28 (NRSV)

*HYMN 274

"O God of Earth and Space"

Tune: Leoni

*Apostles' Creed

(unison)

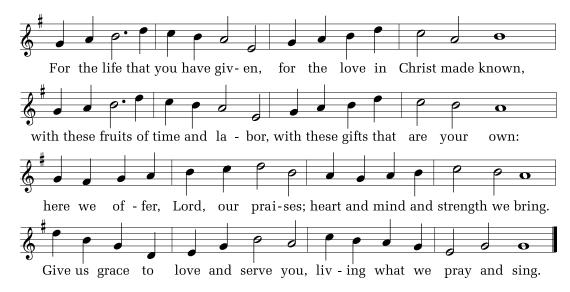
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; 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 "The Morning Trumpet"

American folk song arr. Mack Wilberg

*Offertory Response



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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:



hea- ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bles-sed is the



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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 ANTHEMS "Ubi Caritas"

Ola Gjeilo

Where charity and love are, God is there. The love of Christ has gathered us together; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Let us revere and love the living God. And from a sincere heart let us love one another. Amen.

"Peace at the Last"

Bradley Ellingboe

O Lord, support us all the day long, until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes and the busy world is hushed and the fever of life is over and the work is done. Then in thy mercy, grant us a safe lodging and a holy rest and peace at the last. Amen.

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)

Almighty God, in everything you work for good.

Even in the suffering and death of your beloved Son,
you have made the world's salvation possible.

Eating this bread and drinking from this cup,
we offer our whole selves for the good of your world.

So, take our lives, as imperfect and impaired as we are,
and transform us into the new creation for which your Son,
our Lord Jesus Christ, lived, died, and will come again.
In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

*HYMN 420

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

Tune: CWM RHONDDA

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Prelude to a Te Deum

Marc-Antoine Charpentier

The Lord's Supper at Fourth Presbyterian Church

"Do this in remembrance of me." Luke 22:19 (NRSV)

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 last meal before his death, Jesus took and shared with his disciples bread and wine, speaking of these elements as his body and blood, symbols of the new relationship with God brought about by his impending death. On the day of his resurrection, the risen Jesus made himself known to his followers in the breaking of bread.

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. Access to the Table is not a right conferred upon the worthy but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. 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.

Fourth Presbyterian Church celebrates the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper each Sunday at 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. worship and at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services on the first Sunday of even-numbered months.

"I am the bread of life." John 6:35 (NRSV)

Portions of the text above adapted from The Book of Order

WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. Adam H. Fronczek, Judith Watt, Joyce Shin 11:00 a.m. Adam H. Fronczek, Judith Watt, Joyce Shin

THE MUSIC TODAY

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

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist and Handbell Director

WORSHIP NOTES

The men of the Morning Choir will be singing during morning worship services in August. 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 photo depicts the Fourth Church pulpit and the underside of the octagonal wooden sounding board above it. The cover quote is from Walter Brueggemann's book *Awed to Heaven, Rooted in Earth*.

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