

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 "May the Grace of Christ" *Morgan Simmons*
May the grace of Christ, our Savior, and the Father's boundless love,
with the Holy Spirit's favor, rest upon us from above. Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Wade in the Water" *African American spiritual
arr. A. D. Miller*

Wade in the water, children; God's going to trouble the water.
Now see that host all dressed in white; the leader looks like
the Israelite. Look over yonder, what do I see? The Holy Spirit's
coming for me. Now see that band all dressed in red; it looks like
the band that Moses led. If you don't believe I've been redeemed,
just follow me down to Jordan's stream. Come on and wade in
the water, children; God's going to trouble the water.

*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.**

Minister: There are different gifts, but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

People: **There are different ways of serving God, but it is the same Lord who is served.**

All: **God, you work through different people in different ways, but your purpose is achieved through us all. You give each of us gifts by the Spirit to use for the common good, and it is only together that we can be the body of Christ. Though we have different gifts, together we are a community of reconciliation led by Christ. In Christ's name, we dedicate all of our work to your service. Give us wisdom and courage to follow where Christ leads, so that in all we say and do we may spread your peace in the world. Amen.**

***HYMN 339**

“Be Thou My Vision”

Tune: SLANE

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Toccata in D Minor

Gordon Balch Nevin

**“Let the little children come to me . . .
for it is to such as these that the
kingdom of heaven belongs.”**

Matthew 19:14 (NRSV)

Baptism

at Fourth Presbyterian Church

On the second Sunday of each month, Fourth Church includes the Sacrament of Baptism in morning worship. Baptism is the sign and seal of God's grace and covenant in Christ. As *The Book of Order* of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) explains, baptism signifies the faithfulness of God, the washing away of sin, rebirth, putting on the fresh garment of Christ, and adoption into the covenant family of the church.

The baptism of children witnesses to the truth that God's love claims people before they are able to respond in faith. The congregation, on behalf of the whole church, assumes responsibility for nurturing the baptized children in the Christian life, and it is for this reason that the congregation makes such a promise during the service. In the unison prayer we also remember that we too were baptized and as children of God are part of the worldwide family of faith.

Those being baptized at the 9:30 worship service are

Quinn Angelica Bolhouse, daughter of Matthew and Jessica Bolhouse
Jacqueline Anne Dean, daughter of Matthew and Katherine Dean
Jacob Ryan DeCorte, son of Michael and Kathleen DeCorte
Sofia Isabella Fajardo, daughter of Javier and Kathryn Fajardo
Joshua Paul Hanzlik, son of Blair and Jodie Hanzlik
Olivia Lynn Hundt, daughter of Brian and Stacy Hundt

Those being baptized at the 11:00 worship service are

William Henry Baker, son of Michael and Heather Baker
Ada Claire Hill, daughter of Christopher and Deborah Hill
Victoria Gail Sax, daughter of Jason Sax and Aimee Yager
Ethan Brody Wilde, son of Elijah and Diana Wilde
Tristan Blaine Wilde, son of Elijah and Diana Wilde

WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. Joyce Shin, John H. Boyle, John W. Vest

11:00 a.m. Joyce Shin, Victoria G. Curtiss, John W. Vest

THE MUSIC TODAY

9:30 a.m. Men of the Morning Choir; Craig Palmer, soloist

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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 prelude, written in the early 1860s, was composed by John Knowles Paine (1839–1906). Paine was the first person appointed to a music chair position at an American university (Harvard) and the first American-born musician to compose music of high rank, garnering attention abroad.

The Prayer of Confession and Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication are adapted from *Travelling The Road of Faith: Worship Resources from the Corrymeela Community*, edited by Jacynth Hamill (2001).

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).

The bulletin cover photo is a closeup of flowers in the Garth, photographed earlier this summer.

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