

MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE	Fanfare	John Swann
	Canzona	Domenico Zipoli
	To Music	Franz Schubert arr. Charles Schuchat
	Prelude and Fugue in B-flat Major	Johann Sebastian Bach
	Our Father, Who Art in Heaven	Johannes Brahms arr. Fred Teuber

INTROIT	“All Things Come of Thee”	Stephen Sturk
	All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee. Amen.	

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

***HYMN 486** “When the Morning Stars Together” *Tune: WEISSE FLAGGEN*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(responsively)*

Minister: Wondrous God,
who sets suns and moons above us,
mountains and valleys beneath us,
and friends and strangers among us:
how often have we tried to hide from your presence,
how seldom have we looked for your creating face
and your fashioning hand!

People: **Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Minister: Wondrous God,
who took upon yourself flesh of our flesh in Jesus our brother,
and being found in human form
made the ultimate disclosure of yourself
in the face of Jesus Christ:
how often we have forgotten you,
how seldom have we really loved and followed you!

People: **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Minister: Wondrous God,
who pours out freely the Holy Spirit:
how often have we ignored your promptings,
how seldom have we asked for your help or
accepted your gifts!

People: **Lord, have mercy upon us. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

(11:00)

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ANTHEM "Rejoice in the Lord Alway" *Anonymous*

Rejoice in the Lord alway, and again I say rejoice. Let your softness be known unto all men; the Lord is e'en at hand. Be careful for nothing, but in all prayer and supplication, let your petitions be manifest unto God with giving of thanks. And the peace of God which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesu. Amen.

PSALTER Psalm 96 (*responsively*) (page 520, O.T.)

***GLORIA PATRI** (The Hymnal, 579)

SCRIPTURE LESSON Mark 9:14–29 (page 42, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON Doubters Welcome JOHN BUCHANAN

"I believe; help my unbelief!" Mark 9:24 (NRSV)

***HYMN 370** "Just as I Am, Without One Plea" *Tune: WOODWORTH*

***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"

Thomas Morley

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "O God, Thou Art My God"

Henry Purcell

O God, thou art my God; early will I seek thee. My soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh also longeth after thee in a barren and dry land where no water is. Thus have I looked for thee in holiness, that I might behold thy power and glory. For thy loving kindness is better than life itself. My lips shall praise thee. As long as I live will I magnify thee on this manner and lift up my hands in thy name. Because thou hast been my helper, therefore under the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice. Hallelujah.

*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.**

All: **O God,**

you have so greatly loved us,

long sought us,

and mercifully redeemed us.

Give us grace,

that in everything we may yield

ourselves, our wills, and our works,

a continual thank-offering to you,

through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

***HYMN 420**

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

Tune: CWM RHONDDA

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Jubilate Deo

*Giovanni Gabrieli
arr. C. Schuchat*

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and as we continue with the 2012 Annual Appeal for
Fourth Presbyterian Church and Chicago Lights,
embracing our call to be a church alive.

Commitment Sunday: Sunday, October 30

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WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. Joyce Shin, Calum I. MacLeod, John Buchanan

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THE MUSIC TODAY

9:30 a.m. Tower Brass; The Morning Choir

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist and Handbell Director

Matthew Comerford, Artistic Director of Tower Brass

WORSHIP NOTES

Tower Brass, Fourth Church's brass octet, participates in 9:30 and 11:00 worship on the third Sunday of each month during the academic year.

This morning's Prayer of Confession and Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication are from *The Worship Sourcebook* (Calvin Institute of Christian Worship).

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 images, 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 photograph depicts one of the tulips in the Fourth Church Garth after a spring rain.

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