

MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright *Dieterich Buxtehude*
March of the Magi Kings *Theodore Dubois*
Prelude on an Introit for Epiphany *Maurice Duruflé*

INTROIT “The Lord Has Shown Forth His Glory” *Iain Quinn*
The Lord has shown forth his glory; come let us adore him.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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

***HYMN 66** “We Three Kings of Orient Are”
Tune: THREE KINGS OF ORIENT

PRAYER OF THE DAY FOR EPIPHANY *(unison)*

Eternal God,
by a star you led magi to the worship of your Son.
Guide the nations of the earth by your light,
that the whole world may see your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

God of glory,
you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world
to reveal your love for all people.
We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness
of your light. We turn away from the poor;
we ignore cries for justice; we do not strive for peace.
In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin
and baptize us once again with your Spirit,
that, forgiven and renewed,
we may show forth your glory
shining in the face of Jesus Christ. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

UNISON PRAYER **Holy God, remind us of the promises given in our own baptism and renew our trust in you. Make us strong to obey your will and to serve you with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER Psalm 72:1–7 (*responsively*) (page 504, O.T.)

ANTHEM “Salva Nos, Stella Maris” *Cristobal de Morales*
Save us, star of the sea, you who hold in your embrace the King to whom the kings come offering gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 60:1–6 (page 649, O.T.)
Minister: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

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

SECOND LESSON Matthew 2:1–12 (page 1, N.T.)

SERMON With Faces Shining JOHN BUCHANAN
“*They left for their own country by another road.*”
Matthew 2:12 (NRSV)

***HYMN 62** “Bring We the Frankincense of Our Love”
Tune: EPIPHANY SONG

***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"

Stephen Sturk

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Surge, Illuminare, Jerusalem"

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina

Arise, shine, Jerusalem, for your light has come and the glory of the Lord has risen in you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and a mist envelop the people, but the Lord shall rise within you, and the glory of the Lord shall be seen in you.

*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: **God of majesty and light,
you hold the whole world in your hand.
We thank you for Jesus Christ,
your Son, our Lord.
We thank you that in him
light shines in the darkness.
We thank you for your love
given to all the nations, in him.
By your Spirit,
may his peace descend upon us,
that we may follow him with grateful hearts.
Take us and all we have to be useful in your service,
God of the nations,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord,
now and forever. Amen.**

***HYMN 292**

“All Beautiful the March of Days”

Tune: FOREST GREEN

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright

Mark Sedio

“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

Ghassan Joseph Adel, son of Joseph Adel and Zeina Habib
Olivia Livingston Gifford, daughter of Peter and Pamela Gifford
Mackenzie Taylor Rewey, daughter of Mark and Dawn Rewey
William Wesley Van Dyk, son of Adam and Kristen Van Dyk
Alice Whitney White, daughter of Daniel and Karen White
Finnegan George Wieringa, son of Steven and MeiLi Wieringa

Those being baptized at the 11:00 worship service are

Elizabeth Ashton Carrier, daughter of Zachary and Katie Carrier
George Maxon Earle, son of Paul and Melanie Earle
Elin Rose Ohlander, daughter of Scott and Allison Ohlander
Grace Kristian Pawluk, daughter of John and January Pawluk
Andrew Joseph Schuhow, son of Joseph and Katherine Schuhow

WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. John W. Vest, Judith L. Watt, John Buchanan

11:00 a.m. Thomas C. Rook, Judith L. Watt, John Buchanan

THE MUSIC TODAY

9:30 a.m. The Morning Choir

11:00 a.m. The Morning Choir

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

WORSHIP NOTES

Both the text and tune of today's second hymn, "Bring We the Frankincense of Our Love," were written by H. Kenn Carmichael while he was Associate Pastor of Central Presbyterian Church in Lafayette, Indiana. Carmichael was at Central Church from 1972 through 1979 and was a missionary in the Middle East and Africa from 1962 to 1972.

Fourth Church offers a variety of worship opportunities each week. On Sunday mornings throughout the year, there are three services: 8:00 Communion, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m. An afternoon jazz service with Communion is also held on Sundays. On weekday mornings, Morning Prayer is held in the Sanctuary as a time to remember in prayer members of the Fourth Church congregation and those in need (9:00 a.m. on Tuesday; 9:30 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday). A Taizé service is held at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Friday of each month except in November and December. In December, the Taizé service is held on New Year's Eve at 7:30 p.m.

The bulletin cover photo shows the Great East Window at night, with the seasonal lights of Michigan Avenue in the foreground. The quote is from *Sermons: Biblical Wisdom for Daily Living* by Peter Gomes.

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