MORNING WORSHIP

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

Prelude A Solemn Melody H. Walford Davies

INTROIT "Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord" Giovanni Croce

Teach me thy way, O Lord, and I will walk in thy truth; O knit my heart unto thee,

that I may love thy name.

*Doxology and Invocation

(The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN **353** "Great God, Your Love Has Called Us Here"

Tune: Das Neugeborne Kindelein

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Almighty God,

in this season of Lent we confess how hard it is

to be your people.

You have called us to be the church,

yet we acknowledge that we are more apathetic than active, obstinate than obedient, legalistic than loving.

Remove the obstacles that prevent us

from being your representatives to a broken world. Awaken our hearts to the gift of your love. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER Psalm 19:1–10 (responsively) (page 472, O.T.)

ANTHEM "Like as the Hart Desireth the Waterbrooks"

Herbert Howells

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks, so longeth my soul after thee, O God. My soul is a thirst for God, yea, even for the living God. When shall I come to appear before the presence of God? My tears have been my meat day and night, while they daily say unto me,

"Where is now thy God?"

FIRST LESSON Exodus 20:1-17 (page 63, O.T.)

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

*GLORIA PATRI

(The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON John 2:13-22

(page 87, N.T.)

SERMON Whipped into Shape?

MATTHEW J. HELMS

*Hymn 85

"What Wondrous Love Is This" Tune: Wondrous Love

*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;

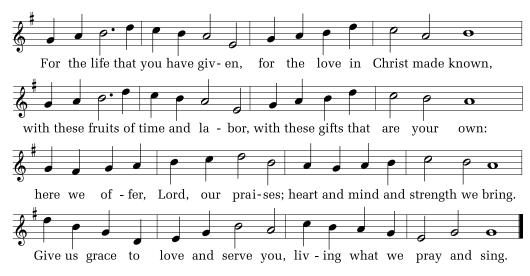
and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING

Offertory Voluntary Récits

Louis-Nicolas Clérambault

*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.

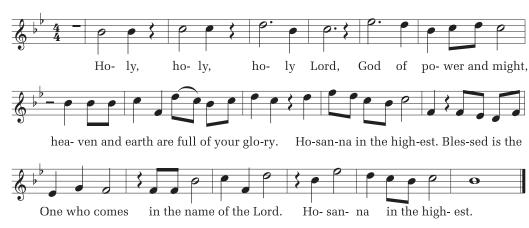
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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:



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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 ANTHEM "Lamb of God"

German chorale arr. F. Melius Christiansen

Lamb of God most holy and lowly, who on the cross didst suffer, patient still and lowly; our sins by thee were taken, or hope had us forsaken. Have mercy on us, O Jesu.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

Amazing God,
you come into our ordinary lives
and set a holy table among us,
offering us the bread of life
and the cup of salvation.
Send us out with tenderheartedness
to touch an ordinary, everyday world
with the promise of your holiness. Amen.

*Hymn 508 "For the Bread Which You Have Broken"

Tune: KINGDOM

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

Postlude Basse de Trompette L. Clérambault

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 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, Communion is served by intinction. The congregation will come forward by the center aisle to receive the bread, which they will then dip into the chalice of grape juice. (Gluten-free bread is available in a small tumbler in each basket of bread.) Worshipers will return to their pews by the side aisles.

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 all morning 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

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John H. Boyle, Joyce Shin, Matthew J. Helms

THE MUSIC TODAY

The Chancel Choir

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist and Handbell Director

WORSHIP NOTES

The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering is being received throughout Lent. Gifts to this offering support Chicago Lights Tutoring and the Elam Davies Social Service Center as well as the work of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and the Presbyterian Self-Development of People Program. To make a "One Great Hour of Sharing" gift, you can use the envelopes in the pew racks or write "Lenten Offering" on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

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