

MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE We Now Pray to Thee, Holy Spirit
Dieterich Buxtehude

INTROIT “The Lord Is High above All Nations”
Donald Cashmore

The Lord is high above all nations
and his glory above the heavens.

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

***HYMN 425** “Lord of Light, Your Name Outshining”
Tune: ABBOT’S LEIGH

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

**Lord, on this weekend when we are bombarded
not just with local concerns, but global crises,
we confess that we have felt small and,
not knowing what to do,
we have retreated into ourselves.
We have eaten without thinking of the hungry.
We have spoken without an effort to listen to others.
We have judged, forgetful that you are the Judge.
Forgive our haste to make ourselves more
comfortable, and challenge us once again
to live as your disciples. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER Psalm 139:1–12 *(responsively)* (page 545, O.T.)

ANTHEM "O Clap Your Hands" *Ralph Vaughan Williams*
O clap your hands, all ye people; shout unto God with the voice of triumph, for the Lord most high is terrible; he is a great King over all the earth. God is gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet. Sing praises to God, sing praises unto our King; for God is King of all the earth. Sing ye praises everyone that hath understanding.

FIRST LESSON John 17:6–11 (page 105, N.T.)
Minister: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

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

SECOND LESSON Acts 1:12–17, 21–26 (page 110, N.T.)

SERMON Casting Lots **MATT HELMS**

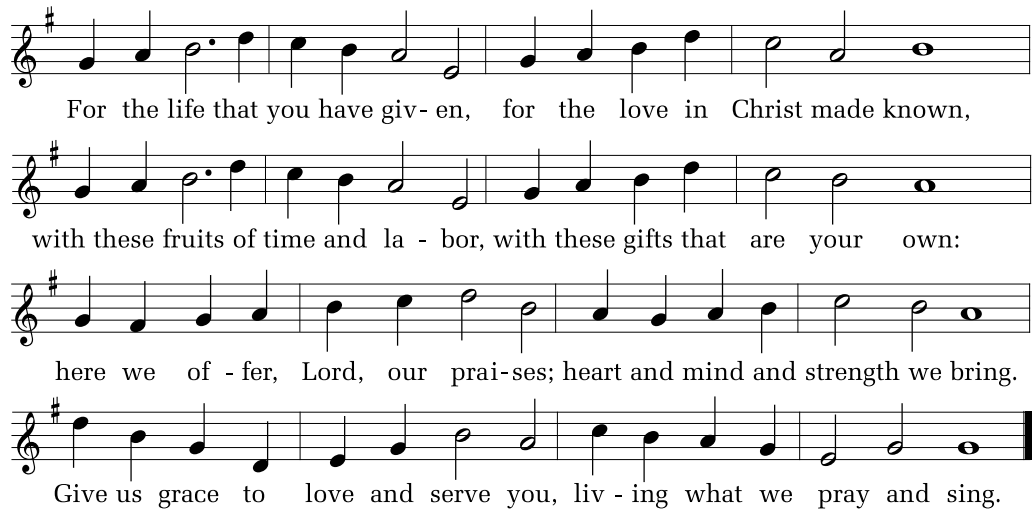
***HYMN 275** "God of Our Life" *Tune: SANDON*

***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 SOLO "Zion's Walls" *American folk song
arr. Aaron Copland*
Come, fathers and mothers, come, sisters and brothers, come join us in singing the praises of Zion. O fathers, don't you feel determined to meet within the walls of Zion? We'll shout and go round the walls of Zion.

*OFFERTORY 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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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.**

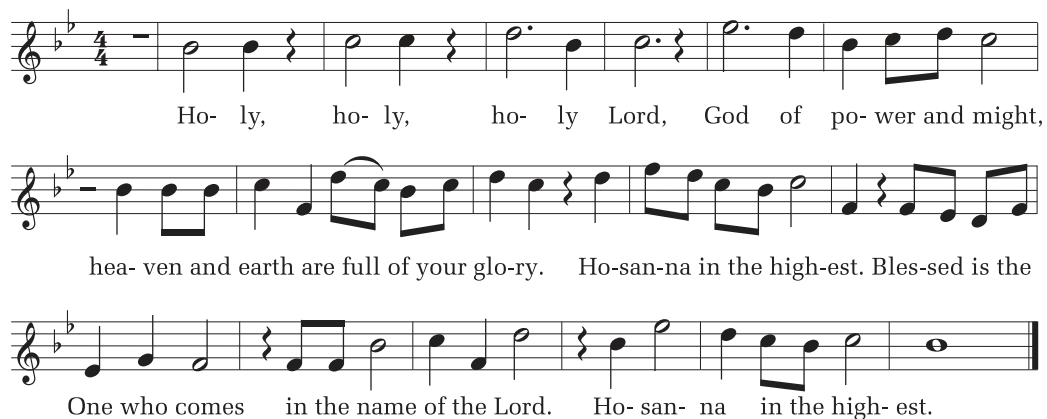
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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:



Ho- ly, ho- ly, ho- ly Lord, God of po- wer and might,
hea- ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bles-sed is the
One who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san- na in the high- est.

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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 "Humility"

*Shaker song
arr. Ron Jeffers*

I will bow and be simple; I will bow and be free.
I will bow and be humble, yea bow like the willow tree.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (*unison*)

**Good and gracious God, we live as a people divided:
divided by ideology, politics, and, sadly, religion.
Yet at this table, you have called us to be united
in vision—to dare to imagine a world where
we can share a meal and turn the strangers around
us into neighbors. In this simple sharing of bread
and cup, remind us once again of the world
you wish for us to create. Amen.**

***HYMN 522**

"Lord, When I Came Into This Life"

Tune: LAND OF REST

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Ascension Suite

Olivier Messiaen

III. Outburst of Joy from a Soul before the Glory
of Christ Which Is Its Own Glory

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*

WORSHIP LEADERS

Joyce Shin, Calum I. MacLeod, Matt Helms

THE MUSIC TODAY

The Chancel Choir

Carol Carpenter, soloist

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

WORSHIP NOTES

Today is Dedication Commemoration Sunday at Fourth Presbyterian Church, declared by Pastor John Timothy Stone in 1914 to be observed on the third Sunday of each May. On Sunday, May 10, 1914, the Fourth Church congregation worshiped in the Michigan Avenue Sanctuary for the first time, and a series of dedication services followed. On Sunday, November 18 of this year we will dedicate the Gratz Center. We hope you will join us for that historic moment in the life of this congregation.

Fourth Church offers a variety of worship opportunities in addition to Sunday morning services. A jazz service with Communion is held each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. Each weekday morning, Morning Prayer is held in the Sanctuary as a time to remember in prayer members of the Fourth Church congregation and those in need (9:30 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday; 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday).

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