

## MORNING WORSHIP

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

**PRELUDE** Prière *Jean Langlais*

**INTROIT** “Christ Is Our Cornerstone” *John Darwall*  
*arr. Theodore Hoelty-Nickel*

Christ is our cornerstone; on him alone we build.  
With his true saints alone the courts of heaven are filled.  
On his great love our hopes we place  
of present grace and joys above.

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

**\*HYMN 276** “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” *Tune: FAITHFULNESS*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*unison*)

**God of everlasting love,  
far too frequently we have sacrificed  
our convictions for convenience,  
our standards for status,  
our principles for prominence.  
Forgive us for the times when we have acted  
by the world’s vision of success  
rather than by what you consider good.  
We ask this in the name of your Son,  
Jesus Christ, who releases us from our past  
and instead invites us into new life. Amen.**

**DECLARATION OF PARDON**

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

**CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH**

**PSALTER** Psalm 20 (*responsively*) (page 472, O.T.)

**ANTHEM** “Der Herr Segne Euch” *from Cantata 196*  
*Johann Sebastian Bach*  
May God smile on you evermore,  
you and all your children.

**FIRST LESSON** Mark 4:26–32 (page 36, N.T.)  
Minister: The Word of the Lord.  
People: **Thanks be to God.**

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

**SECOND LESSON** 1 Samuel 16:1–13 (page 248, O.T.)

**SERMON** Should All Christians Wear Glasses? MATT HELMS

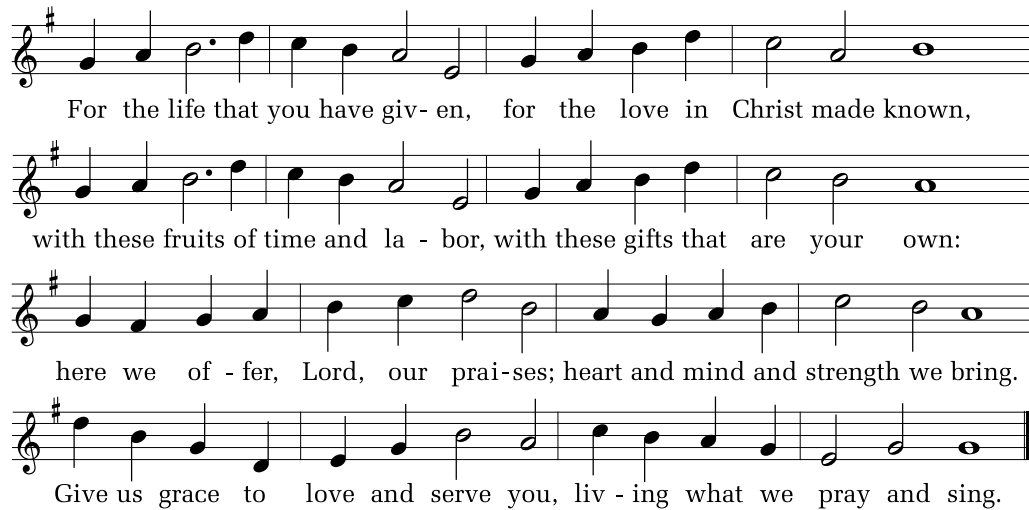
**\*HYMN 321** “Holy Spirit, Truth Divine” *Tune: SONG 13*

**\*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** “This Is My Father’s World” *Franklin Sheppard*

## \*OFFERTORY RESPONSE



For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known,  
with these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own:  
here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring.  
Give us grace to love and serve you, living 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.**

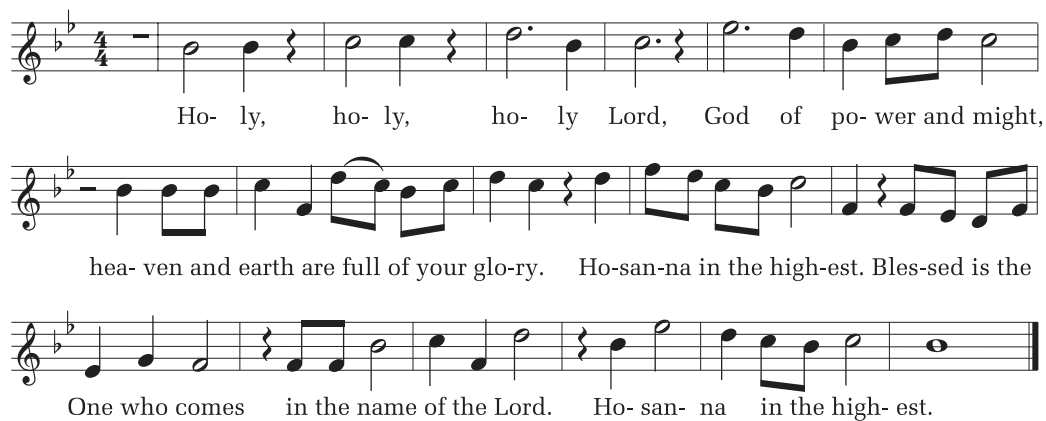
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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 power 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** "O Christ, Thou Lamb of God" *German chorale*  
*arr. Theodore Hoelty-Nickel*

O Christ, thou Lamb of God, that takest away  
the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ,  
thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,  
grant us thy peace. Amen.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** (*unison*)

**Lord, we came to your table as individuals,  
but we walked away as a community,  
united through the love of Christ  
to give our lives in your service.  
Grant us your vision in this work,  
that we might look past the surface  
and into the heart of what is truly needed. Amen.**

**\*HYMN 343** "Called as Partners in Christ's Service" *Tune: BEECHER*

**BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE**

**POSTLUDE** Fugue in G Major ("Gigue") *Johann Sebastian Bach*

# 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**

Calum I. MacLeod, Thomas C. Rook, Matt Helms

## **THE MUSIC TODAY**

The Men of the Morning Choir

Cole Seaton, soloist

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

## **WORSHIP NOTES**

**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). A monthly service in the style of Taizé is held on the fourth Friday of the month.

**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.

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