

MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE Suite no. 2 in G Minor *Louis-Nicolas Clérambault*

INTROIT “Jehovah, Let Me Now Adore Thee” *German melody*
arr. Theodore Hoelty-Nickel

Jehovah, let me now adore thee. For where is there a God, such Lord,
as thou? With songs I fain would come before thee, O let thy
Holy Spirit teach me now to praise thee in his name, through
whom alone our songs can please thee through thy blessed Son!

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

***HYMN 473** “For the Beauty of the Earth” *Tune: DIX*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

**Almighty God,
we confess how hard it is to be your people.
You have called us to be the church,
to continue the mission of Jesus Christ
to our lonely and confused world.
Yet we acknowledge we are more apathetic than active,
isolated than involved, callous than compassionate,
obstinate than obedient, legalistic than loving.
Gracious Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive our sins.
Remove the obstacles preventing us
from being your representatives to a broken world.
Awaken our hearts to the promised gift
of your indwelling Spirit.
This we pray in Jesus’ powerful name. 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 8 (*responsively*) (page 466, O.T.)

ANTHEM “Come Sing to Me of Heaven” *J. Aaron McDermid*
Come sing to me of heaven, when I am called to die. Sing songs of holy ecstasy to waft my soul on high. When the last moment comes, let one sweet song begin. Let music cheer me last on earth; to greet me first in heaven.

FIRST LESSON Exodus 16:1–21 (page 60, O.T.)
Minister: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

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

SECOND LESSON Mark 1:9–11 (page 33, N.T.)

SERMON Faith and Life ADAM H. FRONCZEK
“*And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him.*”
Mark 1:10 (NRSV)

***HYMN 494** “Out of Deep, Unordered Water” *Tune: RUSTINGTON*

***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"

Anonymous

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

from *Straslund Gesangbuch*

arr. Mack Wilberg

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul praise him, for he is thy health and salvation! Join the great throng, psaltery, organ, and song, sounding in glad adoration. Praise to the Lord! Over all things he gloriously reigneth, born as on eagle wings, safely his saints he sustaineth. Hast thou not seen how all thou needest hath been granted in what he ordaineth? Praise to the Lord! Who doth prosper thy way and defend thee. Surely his goodness and mercy shall ever attend thee. Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, who with his love doth befriend thee. Praise to the Lord! O, let all that is in me adore him! All that hath breath, join with Abraham's seed to adore him. Let the "amen" sum all our praises again, now as we worship before him.

*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 extravagant mercy,
with hands outstretched you have poured out
wonder and pleasure and delight,
goodness and beauty and bounty.
So take these offerings, we pray, as our protest against all
that is evil and ugly and impoverished,
trivial and wretched and tyrannical,
in our world and in ourselves—
and thus may we and others know
ourselves to be blessed. Amen.**

***HYMN 376**

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

Tune: HYFRYDOL

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Prelude to *Te Deum*

Marc-Antoine Charpentier

**“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

Lila Evelyn Kozlowski, daughter of Dean and Carrie Kozlowski

Those being baptized at the 11:00 worship service are

Colin Zachary Price, son of Ryan and Carol Price

Ella Sofia Price, daughter of Ryan and Carol Price

John Ballard Sullivan, son of Ken and Kendra Sullivan

Alexander James Therapos, son of Spiro and Melissa Therapos

Evan Tyler Therapos, son of Spiro and Melissa Therapos

Luke Fischer Van Beek, son of Jeremy and Alexandra Van Beek

WORSHIP LEADERS

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THE MUSIC TODAY

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

WORSHIP NOTES

This morning's prelude and postlude were written by composers active in the royal court of France. Clérambault (1676–1749) was harpsichordist for King Louis XIV and organist at Saint-Sulpice in Paris, and Charpentier (1643–1704) became music director of La Sainte-Chapelle in Paris in 1698.

Fourth Church offers a variety of worship opportunities each week. In addition to Sunday morning services, an afternoon jazz service with Communion is also held on Sundays at 4:00 p.m. On weekday mornings, Morning Prayer is held in the Sanctuary (9:00 a.m. on Tuesday; 9:30 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday), and a Taizé service is held at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Friday of each 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.

The bulletin cover photo depicts water drops and ripples in the Garth fountain.

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