Prelude
Duo and Trio from Suite I
Louis-Nicholas Clérambault

Introit
“Alleluia Psallat” Anonymous
Alleluia! Sing praise, happy family. Strike the timbrel; pluck the harp strings with joyful harmony. Sing praise to the Lord your God on high. Alleluia.

*Doxology and Invocation* (The Hymnal, 592)

*Hymn 482* “Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty” Tune: Lobe Den Herren

Prayer of Confession (unison)
Almighty and Holy One,
we are thankful that your mercy
is higher than the heavens,
wider than our wanderings,
deeper than all our sin.
Forgive our careless attitudes toward your purposes,
our refusal to relieve the suffering of others,
our envy of those who have more than we have,
our obsession with creating a life of constant pleasure,
our indifference to the treasures of heaven,
and our neglect of your wise and gracious law.
Help us to change our way of life so that we may desire what is good,
love what you love,
and do what you command,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon
Minister: Friends, believe the good news.
People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ANTHEM  “All Who Are Thirsty, Come to the Spring”  
from *Judas Maccabaeus*  
George Frideric Handel  
arr. Walter Ehret

All who are thirsty, come to the spring which shall never run dry. Drink deep of the spring of eternal life, which is the living word of God.

PSALTER  Psalm 34:1–8  
(responsively)  
(page 480, O.T.)

*GLORIA PATRI*  
(The Hymnal, 579)

SCRIPTURE LESSON  Ruth 1:1–22  
(page 230, O.T.)

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

SERMON  Wherever You Go, I Will Go  
KERRI N. ALLEN

*HYMN 263*  “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”  
*Tune: St. Denio*

*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  Prelude in B-flat Major  
Pierre Camonin
*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.


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:

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  “The Lord’s My Shepherd”  
William H. Havergal
arr. Emma Lou Diemer

The Lord’s my shepherd, I’ll not want; he makes me
down to lie in pastures green; he leadeth me the quiet
waters by. My soul he doth restore again, and me to walk
doeth make within the paths of righteousness, even for
his own name’s sake. Yea, though I walk in death’s dark
vale, yet will I fear no ill, for thou art with me, and thy
rod and staff me comfort still. My table thou hast
furnished in presence of my foes; my head thou dost
with oil anoint, and my cup overflows. Goodness and
mercy all my life shall surely follow me, and in God’s
house for evermore my dwelling place shall be.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION  
(unison)

Holy One,
you have so greatly loved us,
long sought us,
and mercifully redeemed us.
May this meal be a means of grace,
that in everything we may give of ourselves,
our love, our kindness, our faithfulness,
be a thankful offering to you,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN 540  
“God Be with You Till We Meet Again”

Tune: RANDOLPH

Benediction and Response

POSTLUDE  
The Rejoicing from Royal Fireworks  
G. F. Handel
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**

Matt Helms, Calum I. MacLeod, Kerri N. Allen

**The Music Today**

Women of the Morning Choir

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

**Worship Notes**

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.

**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 Taizé service is held at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Friday of each month.

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