

MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE Aria *Noel Rawsthorne*

INTROIT “O Lord, Open Thou Our Lips” *Richard Webster*
O Lord, open thou our lips and our mouth shall show forth thy praise. O God, make speed to save us. O Lord, make haste to help us. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Praise ye the Lord. The Lord’s name be praised.

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

***HYMN 469** “Morning Has Broken” *Tune: BUNESSAN*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

**Good and gracious God,
we are embarrassed about the ways
we have minimized your love for the world.
You love the whole world,
while we love those closest to us.
Forgive us, Lord, for failing to see
past our own circles of care.
Forgive us when we feel too little compassion
for those whose lives are difficult
in ways different from ours.
Help us to feel more, so that we might do more,
not just for those we already love,
but also for those whom you call us to love.
We pray for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who lived and died for all. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

INTRODUCTION OF NEW PASTORAL RESIDENT

**Stand as you are able*

ANTHEM "Praise, All You People!" *Bradley Ellingboe*

Praise, all you people, the name so holy of him
who does such wondrous things! All that has being,
to praise him solely, with happy heart its amen sings!
Blessed, O blessed are they forever whose help is from
the Lord most high, whom from salvation naught can
sever and who in hope to Christ draw nigh. Trust not
in rulers for they are but mortal; earthborn are they
and soon decay. Vain are their counsels at life's portal;
vain is their help on judgment day. Praise the Almighty,
my soul adore him! Yes, I will laud him all my days;
with song and anthem I come before him singing the
Lord a song of praise! Hallelujah!

PSALTER Psalm 125 (*responsively*) (page 540, O.T.)

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON James 2:1–10, 14–17 (page 215, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON The Problem with Partiality *JOYCE SHIN*

*"My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism
really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ?"*

James 2:1 (NRSV)

***HYMN 419** "How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord" *Tune: REPTON*

***APOSTLES' CREED** (*unison*)

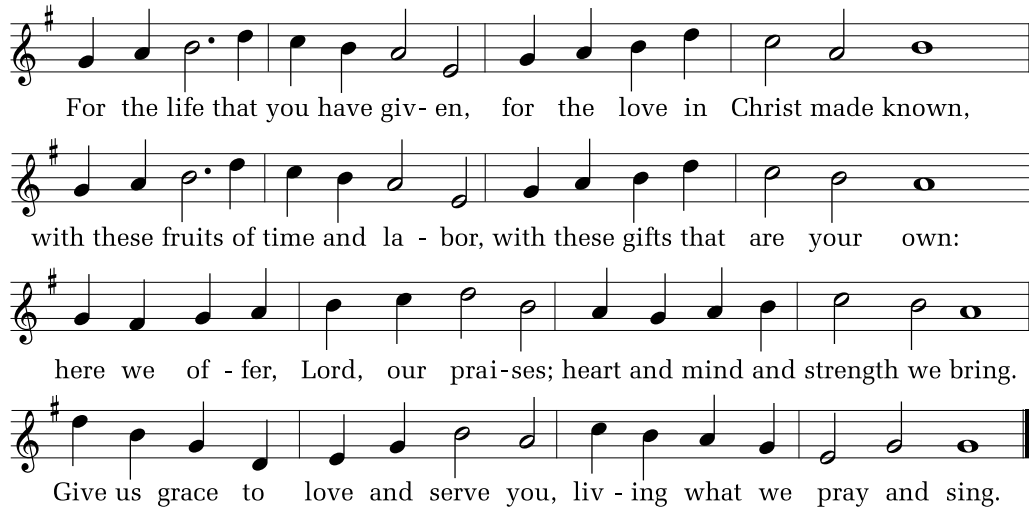
**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of
heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son
our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius
Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended
into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
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 “My Lord! What a Morning”

*African American spiritual
arr. Harry Burleigh*

*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.

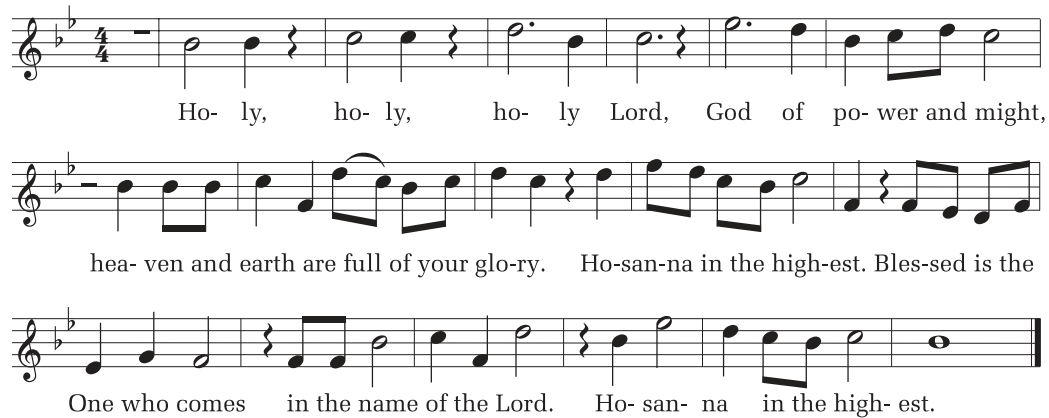
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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 "O Taste and See" *Ralph Vaughan Williams*

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is;
blest is the one that trusteth in him.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *(unison)*

We always learn from you, O Lord,
what love looks like, what love feels like,
and what love tastes like.
Each time we taste of your love
in the bread and the wine you offer us,
in the body and blood you sacrificed for us,
help us to know what love takes,
what love gives, and what love transforms.
In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

*HYMN 514 “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ” *Tune: LINSTEAD*

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Dialogue *F. Couperin*

The Lord's Supper at Fourth Presbyterian Church

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. 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.

Portions of the text above adapted from The Book of Order

WORSHIP LEADERS

Edwin Estevez, Hardy H. Kim, Joyce Shin

THE MUSIC TODAY

The Chancel Choir; Cole Seaton, soloist

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

WORSHIP NOTES

A special Disaster Relief Offering is being received today to help meet the emergency needs of those affected by Hurricane Isaac. Gifts, which will be distributed through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, can be made by using the Disaster Assistance envelopes in the pew racks, by writing “Disaster Assistance” on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church, or online at www.pcusa.org/pda.

Fourth Presbyterian Church welcomes a new Pastoral Resident to the pastoral staff this fall. Edwin Estevez will be with the congregation for the next two years, participating in the Pastoral Residency program, which was begun in 2000. This program provides recent seminary graduates with the opportunity to work in a congregational setting while being mentored—by congregation and staff—in the skills and disciplines of parish leadership. For the two years that Edwin participates in the program, Fourth Church will be privileged to have him as part of the staff, using his pastoral gifts and skills among us while he continues in his formation as a practicing Presbyterian minister. As his second year in the program draws to a close, he will then pursue a call to ministry elsewhere, sharing his gifts and leadership with others in the Presbyterian church.

PASTORAL STAFF

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