MORNING WORSHIP

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

Prelude Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Johann Gottfried Walther

INTROIT "Sing Out a Joyful Song" Dale Wood

Sing out a joyful song in praise, and come to celebrate! With cheerful heart, give thanks to God for goodness ever great. Sing new songs of joy; to God lift your voice! Sing new songs of praise; give thanks and rejoice! Sing out the hymn, the joyful psalm, the canticle of praise, and with the builders of this house, your alleluias raise!

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

(The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN 145 "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!" Tune: MARION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Minister: Creator God, with the breath of your word,

you formed this world good,

but we perverted your providence.

So we are born into a twisted world, bent by its way.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: make us new.

Minister: You made us to hunger after you,

but we have become captive to selfish desires.

We turn our eyes from souls and bellies

that are empty so we can stay full.

Lord in your mercy,

People: make us new.

Minister: You made us to be in communion with one another,

yet we are so afraid of others' expectations

that we shut them out before they can get too near.

We see them as threat, label them bad,

refuse their voice and presence as your children.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: make us new.

Minister: We stand exposed in the light of your eternal love,

filled with death, yet longing for life.

You alone have the power to break our bondage to sin.

People: Forgive us, O Lord.

Minister: Cover us with your compassion,

and refashion us in your image.

This we pray through Christ, our only hope.

People: Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ANTHEM "O How Amiable" Ralph Vaughan Williams

O how amiable are thy dwellings, thou Lord of hosts! My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord. My heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. Yea, the sparrow hath found her a house, and the swallow a place where she may lay her young; even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they that dwell in thy house; they will be alway praising thee. The glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us; prosper thou the work of our hands upon us. O prosper thou our handiwork. O God, our help, in ages, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy

blast, and our eternal home.

PSALTER Psalm 19:7–14 (responsively) (page 472, O.T.)

*GLORIA PATRI (The Hymnal, 579)

SCRIPTURE LESSON Mark 8:27–38 (page 41, N.T.)

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

SERMON The Great Paradox CALUM I. MACLEOD

*HYMN 391 "Take My Life" Tune: HENDON

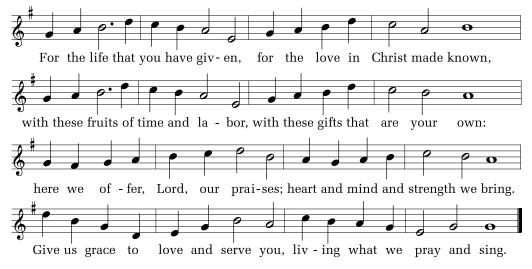
*APOSTLES' CREED (unison)

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 "Dialogue of the Cornet and the Tierce" François Couperin

*Offertory Response



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ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

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: Gratitude, praise, hearts lifted high . . .

... who forever sing to the glory of your name:



hea- ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bles-sed is the



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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 "I Come with Joy to Meet My Lord" Carl Schalk

I come with joy to meet my Lord, forgiven, loved, and free; in awe and wonder to recall his life laid down for me. I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed, the new community of love in Christ's communion bread. As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends. The love that made us makes us one and strangers now are friends. And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His presence always near is in such friendship better known. We see and praise him here. Together met, together bound, we'll go our different ways, and as his people in the world we'll live and speak his praise.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

You have spared nothing, Holy God, going with us into the depths of human experience to raise us up into your hope for the healing of the world.

Thank you that you count us worthy to share in the suffering of Christ for the redemption of all.

Now may we rise in him to feed the hungry, bind up the brokenhearted, comfort and care for all in need; to the glory of your holy name we pray. Amen.

*HYMN **522** "Lord, When I Came Into This Life"

Tune: LAND OF REST

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Fugue in C Major ("Jig") Dieterich Buxtehude

WORSHIP LEADERS

Hardy H. Kim, Joyce Shin, Calum I. MacLeod

THE MUSIC TODAY

The Chancel Choir

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

WORSHIP NOTES

Being ordained and installed as an Elder today is Bev Pace. Being installed as Trustees are Ann Kingstrom and John Walter.

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. 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.

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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