

MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE Psalm-Prelude (*based on Psalm 37:11*)
Herbert Howells

INTROIT “Halle, Halle, Halle” *Caribbean melody*
arr. John Bell
Hallelujah!

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

***HYMN 554** “Let All Things Now Living” *Tune: ASH GROVE*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

**We confess, Great God,
that when life becomes difficult
we question your care for us—
and sometimes even your existence.
We complain when faced
with challenges that seem unfair
and act as though if we were in charge
the world would be better.
Forgive our pretensions and lack of wisdom.
Humble us to trust in the mystery
of your abiding presence in all situations.
Teach us to know your truth
and love your ways. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

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CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

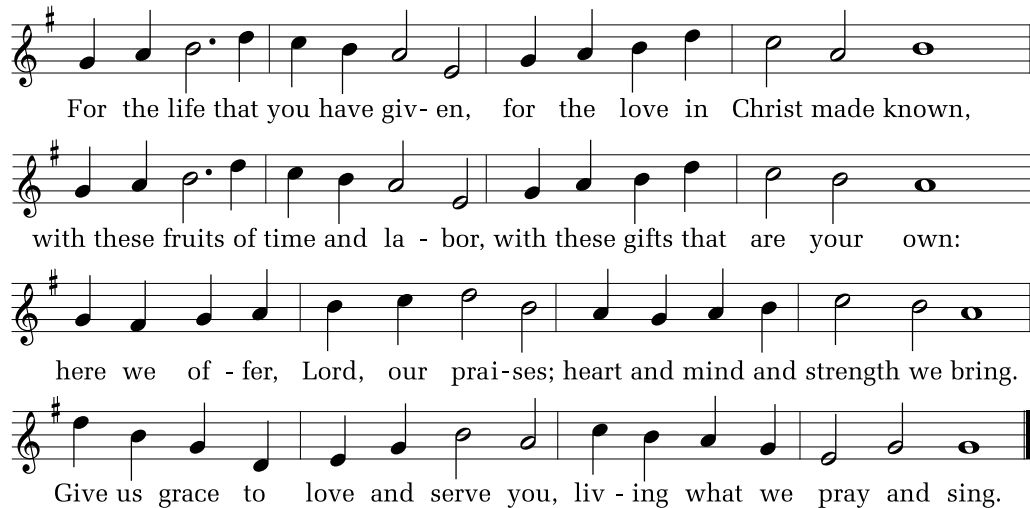
PSALTER Psalm 104 (*sung*) (The Hymnal, 224)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO “Draw Near to Me”

Johann Sebastian Bach

*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.

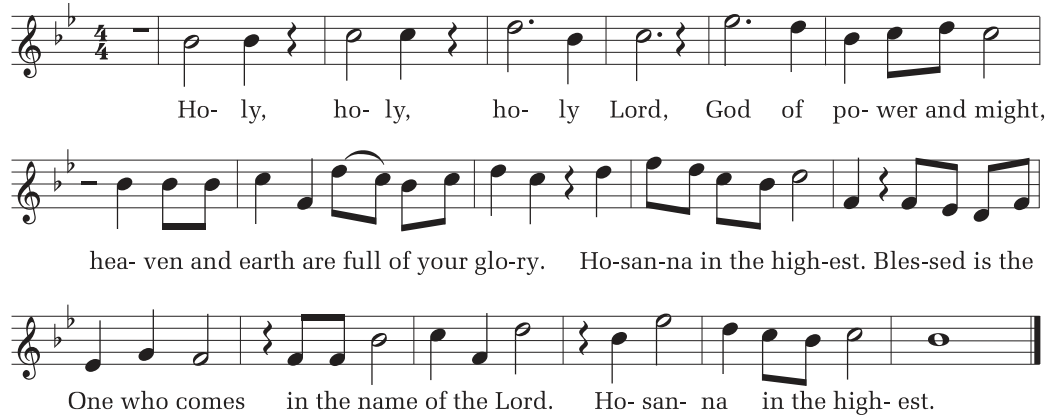
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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 "Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness"

George Frideric Handel

Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness, leave the gloomy
haunts of sadness, come unto the daylight's splendor.
There with joy thy praises render unto him whose grace
unbounded hath this wondrous banquet founded;
high over all the heavens reigneth, yet to dwell with
thee he deigneth.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (*unison*)

We thank you, Living God,
for meeting us at your table
and feeding us with your Spirit.
By your love we have developed and matured.
Equip us to be your inviting,
caring community of faith
in which all may be lifted up to meet Christ
with new understanding and joy. Amen.

***HYMN 556**

“The World Abounds with God’s Free Grace”

Tune: HALIFAX

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Dialogue sur les grand jeux

François 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

Joyce Shin, Calum I. MacLeod, Victoria G. Curtiss

THE MUSIC TODAY

The Chancel Choir; Carol Carpenter, soloist

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

WORSHIP NOTES

The Chancel Choir, which is being commissioned today, unites us, through their varied repertoire, with the church around the world and throughout the ages, bringing that music to this time and place. With them we lift our voices in singing praise to God.

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 will be held at 7:30 p.m. this Friday (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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