**Morning Worship**

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

**Prelude**

- A Mighty Fortress Is Our God  
  **Johann Kittel**
- Sheep May Safely Graze  
  **Johann Sebastian Bach**
- Fantasy and Fugue in G Minor  
  **J. S. Bach**

**Introit**

- “Kyrie”  
  **John Leavitt**
  Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Alleluia.

- “A Festive Alleluia”  
  **Mary Lynn Lightfoot**
  Alleluia! Come let us sing a joyful alleluia.

**Doxology and Invocation**

(The Hymnal, 592)

**Hymn 457**

- “I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art”  
  **Tune: Toulon**

**Prayer of Confession**  
(unison)

- There are many times we think we love you well, O God.
- But upon hearing your call to love you
- with all our heart,
- and all our mind,
- and all our strength,
- we confess that our love for you is a diluted love,
- made insipid and flat
- by lesser loyalties and a divided heart.
- Our love seems pure only for brief moments;
- soon our affections are drawn away.
- How easily our devotion dies.
- Forgive us;
- in deep mercy spare us,
- despite our lost first love for you;
- in grace rekindle our love for you
- in seeing anew Jesus’ love for us. Amen.

**Declaration of Pardon**

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**Concerns of the Church**

**Minute for Discipleship**

*Stand as you are able.*
ANTHEM

“The Old Hundredth Psalm Tune”  Ralph Vaughan Williams

All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice; him serve with fear, his praise forth tell, come ye before him and rejoice. The Lord, ye know, is God indeed, without our aid he did us make; we are his folk, he doth us feed, and for sheep he doth us take. O enter then his gates with praise, approach with joy his courts unto; praise, laud, and bless his name always, for it is seemly so to do. For why? The Lord our God is good: his mercy is forever sure; his truth at all times firmly stood and shall from age to age endure. To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, the God whom heaven and earth adore, from us and from the angel host be praise and glory evermore. Amen.

PSALTER

Psalms 34:1-8 (responsively)  (page 480, O.T.)

*GLORIA PATRI

(The Hymnal, 579)

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 10:46-52  (page 44, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Along the Way  Cynthia M. Campbell

“Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.” Mark 10:52 (NRSV)

HYMN 344

“Christ of the Upward Way”  Tune: Sursum Corda

*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”  
*Carl Wiltse*

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM  “Thou, O God, Art Praised in Sion”  
*Malcolm Boyle*

Thou, O God, art praised in Sion, and unto thee shall the vow be performed in Jerusalem. Thou that hearest the prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come. Blessed is the one whom thou choosest and receivest unto thee. They shall dwell in thy courts and shall be satisfied with the pleasures of thy house, even of thy holy temple. Thou wilt keep them in perfect peace whose minds are stayed on thee; thou wilt keep them in perfect peace because they trust in thee. Trust ye in the Lord forever, for in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength. Let the people praise thee, O God, yea, let all the people praise thee. Then shall the earth bring forth her increase: and God shall give us his blessing.

*PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND 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.

*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: **Gracious God, we give our best,**
lest in gaining the world we lose life itself.
As a covenant people,
we seek to witness to your will and way.
Help us to know more clearly
what you would have us do
with the wealth entrusted to our care.
As we contribute to the needs of your people,
we present ourselves as living sacrifices.
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN 339  “Be Thou My Vision”  Tune: SLANE*

**Benediction and Response**

*Please remain seated as the bagpiper recesses down the center aisle.*

**Recessional**
Scotland the Brave  *Traditional Scottish melody*

**Postlude**
A Mighty Fortress Is Our God  *Helmut Walcha*
Fourth Presbyterian Church is a light in the city, reflecting the inclusive love of God—in worship, education and discipleship, and mission and service. Today, on Commitment Sunday, we celebrate all that we are able to do together through our generous response to God’s blessings in our lives. Through these gifts to the 2013 Annual Appeal for Fourth Presbyterian Church and Chicago Lights, we embrace our call to reflect the love of God.

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The Music Today
9:30 a.m.  The Youth Choir; The Morning Choir; George Sims, bagpiper
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John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music
Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist
Katy Sinclair, Director of Music for Children and Youth
Hsing-Huei Huang, Children’s and Youth Choir Accompanist

Worship Notes

Today is Reformation Sunday, a day when we recall the rich heritage in the Protestant tradition. The Presbyterian Church (USA) grew out of the Reformation of the sixteenth century under leaders such as John Calvin and John Knox. It was on October 31, 1517, that Martin Luther posted his ninety-five theses on the church door in Wittenberg, Germany, a significant event in the history of the Reformed tradition. Reformation Day is also a day when we remember and give thanks for Reformation leaders and all others who have kept the faith.

Today’s Minute for Discipleship is presented by Kathi Bates on behalf of the 2013 Annual Appeal for Fourth Church and Chicago Lights.

Fourth Church welcomes Cynthia M. Campbell to the Fourth Church pulpit today. Dr. Campbell, President Emerita of McCormick Theological Seminary, is currently serving as Interim Pastor and Head of Staff of Highland Presbyterian Church in Louisville.

The bulletin cover photo depicts the carved stone pedestal supporting the Fourth Church pulpit. The cover quote is from Michael Jinkins’ book The Church Transforming: What’s Next for the Reformed Project?

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