

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER Psalm 150 (*responsively*) (page 551, O.T.)

ANTHEM “Quia Vidisti Me, Thoma” *Luca Marenzio*
Because you have seen me, Thomas, you have believed.
Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed. Alleluia.

FIRST LESSON Deuteronomy 6:4–9 (page 157, O.T.)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

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

SECOND LESSON John 20:19–31 (page 108, N.T.)

SERMON Sacred Conversations JOHN W. VEST

***HYMN 522** “Lord, When I Came Into This Life” *Tune: LAND OF REST*

The 9:30 service continues on the bottom of page 5 with the Apostles’ Creed.

THE SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION

(11:00)

OPENING WORDS AND PRESENTATION OF CONFIRMANDS

(11:00)

PROFESSION OF FAITH

(11:00)

*** 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.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

(11:00)

THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION

(11:00)

UNISON PRAYER *(unison)*

(11:00)

Almighty God, we thank you that in your Son, Jesus Christ, you have brought us to yourself and that by the seal of your Holy Spirit, you have bound us to your service. As you bind these young people to yourself through faith, renew in every worshiper here a commitment to Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Send forth these young people in the power of your Spirit to perform the service you have set before them.

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(unison)*

(11:00)

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.

WELCOME OF THE CONFIRMATION CLASS

(11:00)

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

(9:30)

(see above)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(9:30)

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(unison)*

(9:30)

(see above)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM “Stetit Jesus”

Jacob Handl

There came Jesus and appeared in the midst of his disciples, and he said to them, “Peace be with you.” Alleluia. “Behold, the wounds in my hands and in my feet. Lo, I am indeed your Lord.” Alleluia. Joyous were they who saw and believed. Christ is risen. Alleluia.

***PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND 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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***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

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

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

All: **God of heaven and earth,**

**you call us to come in humility before you,
 bringing the offering of our very selves.**

**You claim our lives in baptism, that we might die to sin
 and be raised with Christ in new life.**

**By your Spirit, confirm in our hearts the witness
 that Christ is savior of the world and our Lord.**

**Accept all we have and are, O God,
 in the service of Jesus Christ, and strengthen us
 with your Spirit’s power, now and forever. Amen.**

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Improvisation on “Christ the Lord Is Risen Again”

Confirmation at Fourth Presbyterian Church

The following youth participated in the 2012–2013 Fourth Church Rising, the eighth-grade confirmation program at Fourth Presbyterian Church. Please keep them in your prayers as they continue on their faith journey.

Eric Matthew Andresen
 Tyler Owen Belnap
 Anne Murphy Brumfield
 Samuel Cole Calian
 Caroline Alice Fairbank
 Elizabeth Rose Fischer
 Sarah Elizabeth Force
 Barrett David Garfield
 Brendan Russell Gloyd
 Julia Katheryn Gray
 Margot Elizabeth Hahn
 Carling Suzanne Hank
 Caitlin Louise Kindig
 Katherine Nicole Leonard
 Lucy Jane McGrae McDermott

Emily Grace McFadyen
 Lindsay Ray McFadyen
 Hunter James Morgan
 Hannah Jane Nelson
 William Adams Patterson
 Mitchell Winton Pearsall
 Cortland Jiro Pieper
 John Francis Quinn
 Olivia Cristina Quinn
 Owen Thilman Satre
 John Thomas Schuler
 John Nelson Staublin
 Jacqueline Rose Sliwa Walker
 Eliana Lucy Yonan

Circle Leaders

Luke Beasley	Kathi Rodak
Carole Bekken	Mark Schimmelpennig
Andrea Page	Debbie Whitmore

John W. Vest, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry
Kimberlee Frost, Youth Ministry Associate

WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. Joyce Shin, Adam H. Fronczek, John W. Vest
11:00 a.m. Joyce Shin, Calum I. MacLeod, Joe Hornberger,
Emma Richardson, John W. Vest

THE MUSIC TODAY

9:30 a.m. The Morning Choir
11:00 a.m. The Morning Choir
John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music
Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

WORSHIP NOTES

Fourth Church offers a variety of worship opportunities each week. In addition to Sunday morning services, an afternoon jazz service with Communion is also held on Sundays at 4:00 p.m. On weekday mornings, Morning Prayer is held in the Sanctuary (9:00 a.m. on Tuesday; 9:30 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday), and a Taizé service is held at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Friday of each month. The next Taizé service will be Friday, April 26.

Next Sunday Fourth Church will welcome to the pulpit during the 9:30 and 11:00 services Laurie Kraus, Coordinator for the Presbyterian Church (USA)'s Presbyterian Disaster Assistance ministry. Then on Sunday, April 21, Randall O'Brien, President of Carson-Newman University in Jefferson City, Tennessee, will preach at the 9:30 and 11:00 services and Neal Presa, Moderator of the Presbyterian Church (USA), will preach at the 4:00 p.m. jazz service.

The Easter banners and the Communion Table and pulpit paraments were made by Nancy Chinn and Eliza Linley and depict the joy of the Resurrection.

The bulletin cover photo invites the viewer to consider different perspectives, here highlighting that what looks like "up" to one person can look like "down" to another. In this instance, the photo depicts the view down the north staircase to the east balcony.

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