

## MORNING WORSHIP

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

**PRELUDE** Voluntary in D Minor *John Stanley*  
Allegro – Adagio – Allegro  
Lift Thine Eyes *Felix Mendelssohn*

**INTROIT** “O Lord, Open Thou Our Lips” *George Guest*  
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 210** “Our God, Our Help in Ages Past” *Tune: ST. ANNE*

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** *(unison)*

**Everlasting God,  
forgive us for being consumed  
with petty concerns  
rather than seeking eternal values.  
We have pursued our own agendas,  
shoring up our egos,  
rather than offering you our fears  
and seeking our security in you.  
You are our dwelling place,  
yet we have strayed far from home  
and doubted your steadfast love.  
You bless us with abundance,  
yet we lament meaninglessness  
in the brevity of our lives.  
Grant purpose to our days  
and significance to our labors.  
Help us to receive each new day as a gift  
and to use your gift wisely and well.  
In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.**

*\*Stand as you are able.*

## DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

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

## CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

## MINUTE FOR MISSION

## PSALTER

Psalm 90:1–6, 10–17 (*congregation sings the antiphon*)

Teach us to know the short-ness of our

days; may wis-dom dwell with-in our hearts.

Soloist: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God. You turn us back to dust and say, “Turn back, you mortals.”

People: ***Antiphon***

Soloist: For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past or like a watch in the night. You sweep them away; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning; in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers.

People: ***Antiphon***

Soloist: The days of our life are seventy years, or perhaps eighty, if we are strong; even then their span is only toil and trouble; they are soon gone, and we fly away. Who considers the power of your anger? Your wrath is as great as the fear that is due you. So teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart.

People: ***Antiphon***

Soloist: Turn, O Lord! How long? Have compassion on your servants! Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days. Make us glad as many days as you have afflicted us and as many years as we have seen evil. Let your work be manifest to your servants and your glorious power to their children. Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and prosper for us the work of our hands—O prosper the work of our hands!

People: ***Antiphon***



**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"

*Anonymous*

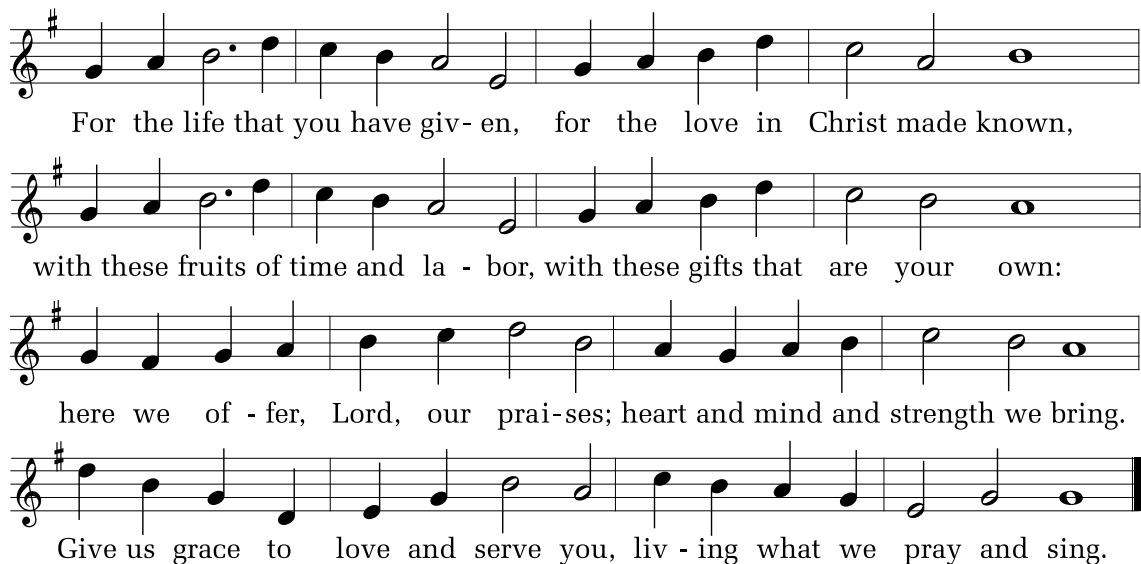
**OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM** "The Lord God Is a Light"

*M. Greene*

The Lord God is a light and defense;  
the Lord will give grace and worship,  
and no good thing shall he withhold  
from them that live a godly life.

**\*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**

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: **God of every time and place,  
from you we receive bountiful blessings.  
We thank you for our place  
in your design for eternity.  
We offer you our time,  
our treasure, our talents,  
our very lives, to serve you,  
that we may live in joy and bring glory  
to Christ your Son, our Lord. Amen.**

**\*HYMN 275**

“God of Our Life”

*Tune: SANDON*

**BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE**

**POSTLUDE**

Trumpet Tune in D Major

*David Johnson*

## WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. Judith L. Watt, Calum I. MacLeod, Victoria G. Curtiss

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## THE MUSIC TODAY

9:30 a.m. Women of the Chancel and Morning Choirs;  
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## WORSHIP NOTES

**The composer of this morning's prelude**, John Stanley (1712–1786), was blinded in an accident at the age of two but became a child prodigy admired by Handel.

By the age of fourteen Stanley was appointed organist of St. Andrew, Holborn, outside of London, where he served for sixty years. Simultaneously, he became organist at the Temple Church, where he served for fifty years.

**Today's Minute for Mission** is presented by Pam Block, on behalf of Women@Fourth Connect, which is again sponsoring the school supplies drive.

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**The bulletin cover** photo depicts a flowering plant and ivy in the Michigan Avenue courtyard, photographed during the fallow season just five months ago, before they returned to full bloom. The cover quote is from the Parker Palmer essay "Leading from Within: Reflections on Spirituality and Leadership."

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