

## MORNING WORSHIP

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

**PRELUDE**                      Lied (Song)    *Louis Vierne*  
   How Fair and How Pleasant Art Thou                      *Marcel Dupré*  
   Intermezzo    *André Fleury*

**INTROIT**                      “Praise Ye the Lord”    *Donald Cashmore*  
   Praise ye the Lord.  
   Praise ye servants of the Lord;  
   praise ye the name of the Lord.

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

**\*HYMN 483**                      “Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above”  
   *Tune: MIT FREUDEN ZART*

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

**God of mercy and of grace,  
you know the secrets of our hearts:  
how blind we are to our own faults,  
yet harsh in judging others;  
how swift we are to take for gain,  
yet slow to give to others;  
how proud we are of our success,  
yet grudging in praise of others.  
In your tender care and unfailing love,  
forgive our conformity to the world’s ways.  
By your transforming grace,  
make us open to your wisdom and your ways. Amen.**

### DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

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

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

**UNISON PRAYER**                      Holy God, remind us of the promises given  
   in our own baptism and renew our trust in you.  
   Make us strong to obey your will and to serve you with joy;  
   for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

**ANTHEM** “We Wait for Thy Loving Kindness, O God” *William McKie*

We wait for thy loving kindness, O God,  
in the midst of thy temple, alleluia.  
O God, according to thy name,  
so is thy praise unto the world’s end.  
Thy right hand is full of righteousness, alleluia.  
We wait for thy loving kindness, O God,  
in the midst of thy temple.  
O Lord, send us now prosperity. Amen.

**PSALTER** Psalm 1 (*responsively*) (page 463, O.T.)

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

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** Luke 14:25–33 (page 73, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON** “Intentional Discipleship” CALUM I. MACLEOD

*“For which of you, intending to build a tower,  
does not first sit down and estimate the cost?”* Luke 14:28 (NRSV)

**\*HYMN 372** “Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”  
*Tune: I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN*

**\*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"

*Florence Worthington*

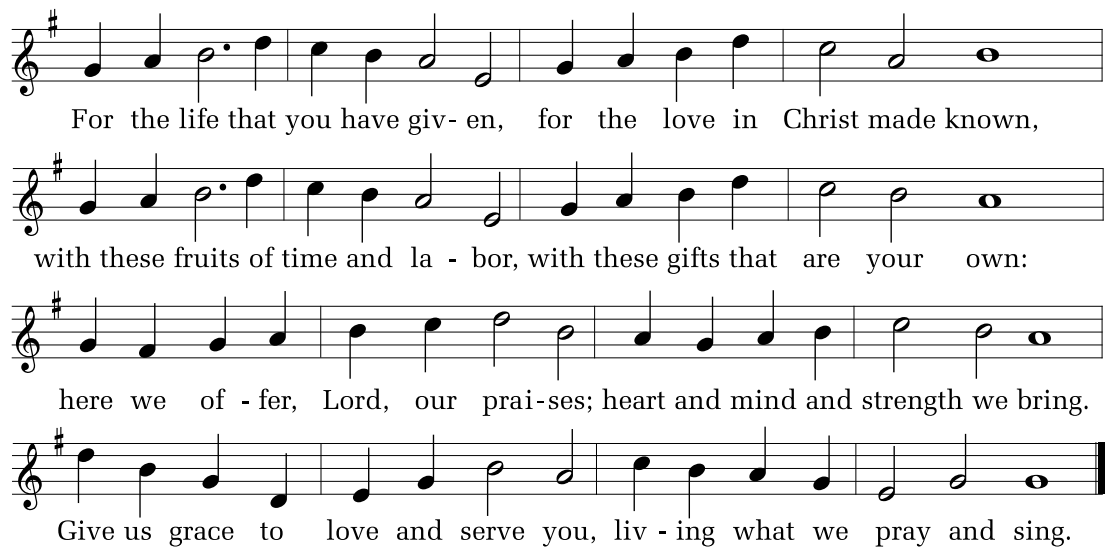
### OFFERING

#### OFFERTORY ANTHEM "O Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem"

*Herbert Howells*

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem.  
They shall prosper that love thee.  
Peace be within thy walls  
and plenteousness within thy palaces.

### \*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: **We give you thanks, O God,  
for the wonder of your works and the riches of your grace:  
for the living Word in scripture and in the risen presence  
of Jesus Christ, our Savior.  
In our weakness and fear you have loved us  
and wanted us, called us and sent us.  
Thanks be to God for the gospel of grace.  
And now we dedicate ourselves, our time,  
our labor, our talents and money,  
to work for your kingdom of justice and peace.  
Amen.**

**\*HYMN 423**

“Jesus Shall Reign Where’er the Sun”

*Tune:* DUKE STREET

**BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE**

**POSTLUDE**

Postlude in C Major

*A. Fleury*

“Let the little children come to me . . .  
for it is to such as these that the  
kingdom of heaven belongs.”

*Matthew 19:14 (NRSV)*

# Baptism

## at Fourth Presbyterian Church

On the second Sunday of each month, Fourth Church includes the Sacrament of Baptism in morning worship. Baptism is the sign and seal of God's grace and covenant in Christ. As *The Book of Order* of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) explains, baptism signifies the faithfulness of God, the washing away of sin, rebirth, putting on the fresh garment of Christ, and adoption into the covenant family of the church.

The baptism of children witnesses to the truth that God's love claims people before they are able to respond in faith. The congregation, on behalf of the whole church, assumes responsibility for nurturing the baptized children in the Christian life, and it is for this reason that the congregation makes such a promise during the service. In the unison prayer we also remember that we too were baptized and as children of God are part of the worldwide family of faith.

### **Those being baptized at the 9:30 worship service are**

Charles Joseph Dicks, son of Jeff and Preilly Dicks

Channing Fay Page, daughter of John and Andrea Page

Ellie Marie Rabe, daughter of Benjamin and Sarah Rabe

Astor Grace Sermeus, daughter of Erin Sermeus

Francesca Rose Santos Wiles, daughter of Joseph and Fernanda Wiles

### **Those being baptized at the 11:00 worship service are**

Landon Jack Albertson, son of Matthew and Nicole Albertson

Reese Elizabeth Dreyer, daughter of Thomas and Margaret Dreyer

Colin James Grieve, son of Andrew and Julie Grieve

Carson James Reimer, son of Clint and Melissa Reimer

Evan Asher Van Klompenberg, son of Brian and Jennifer Van Klompenberg

## WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. Victoria G. Curtiss, Joyce Shin, Calum I. MacLeod

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## 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** 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, except in November and December. The next Taizé service will be Friday, September 27.

**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.

**The cover quote** is from Dietrich Bonhoeffer’s *Letters and Papers from Prison*.

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