MORNING WORSHIP

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

Prelude Dearest Jesus, We Are Here Johann Sebastian Bach

INTROIT "Halle, Halle" Caribbean melody

arr. John Bell

Hallelujah!

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

(The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN 279 "Lord of Our Growing Years" Tune: LITTLE CORNARD

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Minister: Late have I loved you,

O beauty so ancient and so new,

late have I loved you!

You were within me, but I was outside, and it was there that I searched for you.

People: Come, Lord, stir us and call us back;

let us love you and run to you.

Minister: In my unloveliness

I plunged into the lovely things which you created.

You were with me, but I was not with you.

The house of my soul is too small for you to enter:

make it more spacious by your coming.

It lies in ruins: rebuild it.

Some things are to be found there

which will offend your gaze;

I confess this to be so and know it well.

People: Come, Lord, stir us and call us back;

let us love you and run to you.

Minister: But who will clean my house?

To whom but yourself can I cry:

"Cleanse me of my hidden sins, O Lord"?

In your mercy, Lord, forgive us,

that our restless souls might find rest in thee.

Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ANTHEM "Cantate Domino" Giuseppe Ottavio Pitoni

Sing to the Lord a new song,

his praise in the assembly of the faithful.

Let Israel be glad in its maker;

let the children of Zion rejoice in their king.

PSALTER Psalm 112 (responsively) (page 532, O.T.)

*GLORIA PATRI (The Hymnal, 579)

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 14:1, 7–14 (page 72, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord. People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON Home EDWIN ESTEVEZ

*HYMN 361 "How Firm a Foundation" *Tune:* FOUNDATION

*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;

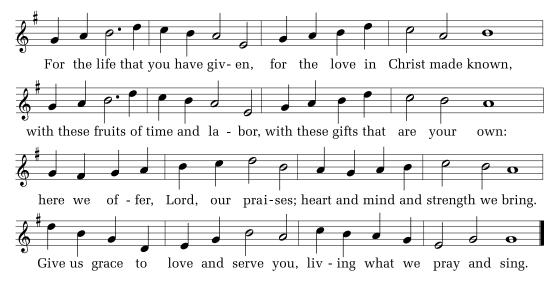
the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body;

and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING

Offertory Voluntary "Dialogue in Trio of the Cornet and the Tierce" François Couperin

*Offertory Response



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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.

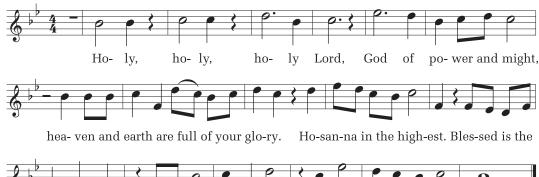
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God .

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:



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 "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring"

J. S. Bach

Jesu, joy of man's desiring, holy wisdom, love most bright; drawn by thee, our souls aspiring, soar to uncreated light. Word of God our flesh that fashioned with the fire of life impassioned. Striving still to truth unknown, soaring, dying, round thy throne.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

We are one body in Christ.

We have tasted you;
now we hunger and thirst for more.

You touched our soul,
and we burned for your peace.

Let us share this hunger and thirst
for your love with all people.

We ask this in the name of Jesus the Christ. Amen.

*HYMN 372

"Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

Tune: I Want to Be a Christian

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Dialogue

F. 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

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Calum I. MacLeod, Hardy H. Kim, Edwin Estevez

THE MUSIC TODAY

The Chancel Choir

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

WORSHIP NOTES

The Prayer of Confession and Prayer after Communion are adapted from St. Augustine's *Confessions*.

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 and 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.

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