MORNING WORSHIP

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

Prelude on the Name of Alain *Maurice Duruflé*

Introit "Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises"

South African song arr. Anders Nyberg

Hallelujah! We sing your praises; all our hearts are filled with gladness.

Christ, the Lord, to us said, "I am wine; I am bread;

give to all who thirst and hunger."

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

(The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN 461 "God Is Here!" Tune: Abbot's Leigh

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Merciful God,

you made us in your image, with a mind to know you,

a heart to love you,

and a will to serve you.

But our knowledge is imperfect,

our love inconsistent,

and our obedience incomplete.

Day by day, we fail to grow into your likeness.

Forgive us and renew our lives through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER Psalm 137:1–6 (responsively) (page 544, O.T.)

ANTHEM

"How Firm a Foundation"

American folk song arr. Paul Louis Anderson

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in his excellent word! What more can he say than to you he hath said, to you that for refuge to Jesus hath fled? "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed! For I am thy God and will still give thee aid; I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand. When through the deep waters I call thee to go, the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow; for I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless, and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress. When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie, my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply. The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine. The soul that to Jesus hath fled for repose, I will not desert to his foes; that soul, though all hell shall endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never forsake."

FIRST LESSON Lamentations 1:1–6 (page 717, O.T.)

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

*GLORIA PATRI

(The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON 2 Tim

2 Timothy 1:8–14

(page 199, N.T.)

SERMON

Across the River

MATT HELMS

*HYMN 282

"If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee"

Tune: WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT

*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.

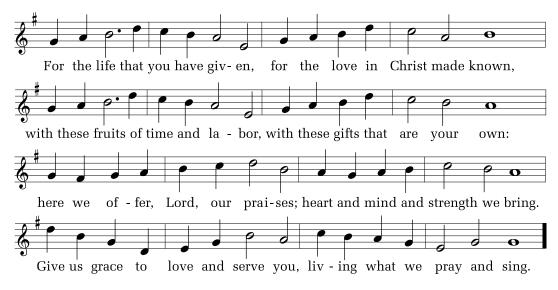
OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO "Amazing Grace"

azing Grace" Virginia Harmony

O, amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed! Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come; 'tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home. The Lord has promised good to me; his word my hope secures. He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

*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:





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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 "Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life"

Richard DeLong

Come, my way, my truth, my life: such a way as gives us breath; such a truth as ends all strife; such a life as killeth death.

Come, my light, my feast, my strength: such a light as shows a feast; such a feast as mends in length; such a strength as makes his guest.

Come, my joy, my love, my heart: such a joy as none can move; such a love as none can part; such a heart as joys in love.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

O God,
you have greatly loved us,
long sought us,
and mercifully redeemed us.
Give us grace,
that in everything we do
we may extend that same love
towards one another.
Amen.

*HYMN 391 "Take My Life" Tune: HENDON

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Toccata in B Minor Eugène Gigout

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

WORSHIP LEADERS

Hardy H. Kim, Edwin Estevez, Matt Helms

THE MUSIC TODAY

The Chancel Choir; Laura Kubelka, soloist John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

WORSHIP NOTES

World Communion Sunday is a day when worshipers around the world gather for the Lord's Supper, enacting the words of the hymn "Come, Risen Lord": "One church united in communion blest; one name we bear, one bread of life we break." The communion ware being used for today's World Communion Sunday is eighteenth-century pewter, dated 1742 and 1794, from the Associates Church in Edinburgh, Scotland. It was donated by friends of Fourth Church Robert Starshak and Ross Draegert in celebration of our Scottish heritage.

Today's Peacemaking offering, an offering historically received on World Communion Sunday, will support the Cameroon America AIDS Alliance, in their work to alleviate AIDS in Cameroon. Gifts to this offering can be made using the Peacemaking envelopes available in the pew racks or by writing "Peacemaking" on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

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