MORNING WORSHIP

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

Prelude Symphony no. 8 in C Minor "Gothic"

Charles-Marie Widor

Andante sostenuto

INTROIT "Siyahamba" South African song

arr. Anders Nyberg

We are marching in the light of God.

*Doxology and Invocation

(The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN 327 "O Word of God Incarnate" Tune: MUNICH

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Righteous God,

we confess that we are not eager to be held accountable by you

or take responsibility for sin in our world.

We see ourselves as basically decent, respectable people, yet we have bent

your commandments to our own conveniences.

We listen only to the word we want to hear and ignore what challenges the status quo.

We participate in the greed

that is destroying your good earth

and increasing the gap

between the rich and the poor,

and we allow evil to triumph through our neglect.

Shake us into awareness that brings change. Support us, we pray, on the challenging path

toward greater faithfulness, in Jesus' name. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

MINUTE FOR DISCIPLESHIP

PSALTER Psalm 119:97–104 (responsively) (page 537, O.T.)

ANTHEM "Sing, My Soul, His Wondrous Love" Ned Rorem

Sing, my soul, his wondrous love, who, from yon bright throne above, ever watchful o'er our race, still to us extends his grace. Heaven and earth by him were made; all is by his scepter swayed; what are we that he should show so much love to us below? God, the merciful and good, bought us with the Savior's blood and, to make our safety sure, guides us by his Spirit pure. Sing, my soul, adore his name; let his glory be thy theme: praise him till he calls thee home: trust his love for all to come.

FIRST LESSON Jeremiah 31:31–34 (page 691, O.T.)

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

*GLORIA PATRI (The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON 2 Timothy 3:10—4:5 (page 201, N.T.)

SERMON Equipped by Truth VICTORIA G. CURTISS

*HYMN 426 "Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak"

Amen.

Tune: Canonbury

*Apostles' Creed (unison)

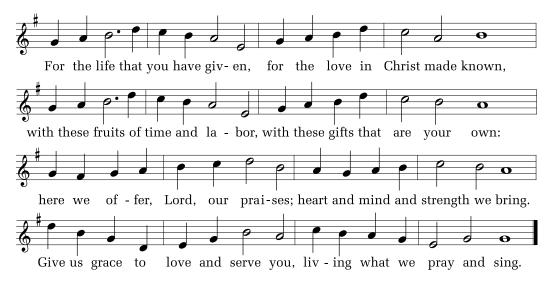
I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ
his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the
Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under
Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again
from the dead; 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.

OFFERING

Offertory Solo "Siciliano"

Johann Sebastian Bach

*Offertory Response



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THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION

GREAT THANKSGIVING

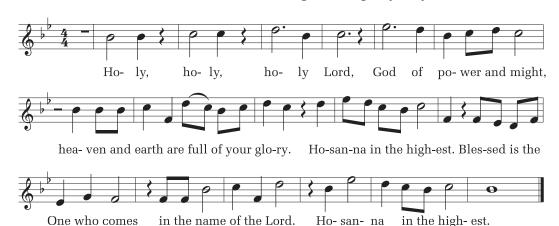
Minister: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**Minister: Lift up your hearts.

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 "Save Us, O Lord"

Thomas Matthews

Save us, O Lord, waking, and guard us sleeping, that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

O God, you have so greatly loved us, long sought us, and mercifully redeemed us. Give us grace that in everything we may yield ourselves, our wills, our works, a continual thank offering to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN 332 "Live Into Hope" Tune: Truro

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Let All Together Praise Our God Nikolaus Vetter

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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THE MUSIC TODAY

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

WORSHIP NOTES

Today's Minute for Discipleship is presented by Norah Satre on behalf of the 2014 Annual Appeal for Fourth Presbyterian Church and Chicago Lights.

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 December. The next Taizé service will be this Friday, October 25.

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