

MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE

Baroques

Seth Bingham

Sarabande

INTROIT

“Father, Who the Light This Day”

Curt Oliver

Father, who the light this day out of darkness did create,

shine upon us now, we pray, while within thy courts we wait.

Wean us from the works of night; make us children of the light.

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

(The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN 422

“God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”

Tune: BEACH SPRING

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

God of birth, God of joy, God of life,

we come to you as a people hungry for good news.

We have been so dead to miracles

that we have missed the world’s rebirth.

We have been so concerned with making a living

that we have missed the life you set before us.

Forgive us, gracious God.

Open our eyes and our hearts to receive your gift;

open our lips and our hands to share it with all humanity.

Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER

Psalm 112:1–9 *(responsively)*

(page 532, O.T.)

ANTHEM

“O Nata Lux”

Thomas Tallis

O born light of light, Jesus, redeemer of the world, mercifully deem worthy and accept the praises and prayers of your supplicants. Thou who once deigned to be clothed in flesh for the sake of the lost ones, grant us to be made members of your holy body.

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 58:1–9a

(page 647, O.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*GLORIA PATRI

(The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON

Matthew 5:13–20

(page 4, N.T.)

SERMON

Daily Meaning, Daily Bread

MATT HELMS

*HYMN 391

“Take My Life”

Tune: HENDON

*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

“Prelude on an Introit”

André Fleury

***OFFERTORY 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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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:

Ho- ly, ho- ly, ho- ly Lord, God of po- wer and might,
 hea- ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bles-sed is the
 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

“O Taste and See”

Anthony Doherty

O taste and see how sweet the Lord is.
Blessed are they that trust in him.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *(unison)*

Gracious God,
we are grateful for what you have given
and for what you have promised us here.
You have fed us with the bread of life
and sustained us with the promise of the cup,
renewing us for your service.
We ask that our daily living be part of your kingdom—
that our love may be your love,
reaching out into a world that needs it.
Amen.

*HYMN 339

“Be Thou My Vision”

Tune: SLANE

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Toccata in E Minor

Johann Pachelbel

The Lord's Supper at Fourth Presbyterian Church

"Do this in remembrance of me." Luke 22:19 (NRSV)

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. Access to the Table is not a right conferred upon the worthy but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. 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 comes forward by the center aisle to receive the bread, which they then dip into the chalice of grape juice. (Gluten-free bread is available in a small tumbler in each basket of bread.) Worshipers return to their pews by the side aisles.

Fourth Presbyterian Church celebrates the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper each Sunday at 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. worship and at all morning services on the first Sunday of even-numbered months.

"I am the bread of life."

John 6:35 (NRSV)

Portions of the text above adapted from The Book of Order.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Hardy H. Kim, Joyce Shin, Matt Helms

THE MUSIC TODAY

The Chancel 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, and Friday; 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday). The next Taizé service will be held on Friday, March 28 at 7:30 p.m.

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 bulletin cover image depicts the top crown on a chandelier in the Sanctuary.

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