

MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE

Three Welsh Hymn Tunes	Ralph Vaughan Williams
II. Rhosymedre	arr. Greg Fudala
O God, Our Faithful God	Johannes Brahms
Faith	Robert Schumann; arr. Christine Worthing
Thy Holy Wings, O Savior	Swedish folk melody; arr. Richard Webster
Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven	John Goss; arr. R. Webster

INTROIT

“Praise Ye the Lord” James McCray
Praise ye the Lord. Praise him with the sound of the trumpet.
Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!

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

*HYMN 477

“Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim” Tune: HANOVER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

**God of grace and truth, in Jesus Christ
you came among us as light shining in darkness.
We confess that we have not welcomed the light
or trusted good news to be good.
We have closed our eyes to glory in our midst,
expecting little and hoping for less.
Forgive our doubt, and renew our hope,
so that we may receive the fullness of your grace
and live in the truth of Christ the Lord. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

COMMISSIONING OF MISSION TRIP PARTICIPANTS *(9:30)*

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS *(11:00)*

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER

Psalm 119:1–8 *(responsively)*

(page 535, O.T.)

**Stand as you are able.*

ANTHEM

“Dies Sanctificatus”

Giovanni Croce

Day of sanctification, illuminate us. O come all ye nations, and worship the Lord our God, for upon this day a great light descended on the earth. This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

FIRST LESSON

Deuteronomy 30:15–20

(page 179, O.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*GLORIA PATRI

SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 3:1–9

(page 156, N.T.)

SERMON

Servants

CALUM I. MACLEOD

“*For we are God’s servants.*” 1 Corinthians 3:9 (NRSV)

*HYMN 413

“All Who Love and Serve Your City”

Tune: CHARLESTOWN

*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

“Almighty Father” from *Mass*

Leonard Bernstein

Almighty Father, incline thine ear: bless us and all those who have gathered here. Thine angel send us who shall defend us all, and fill with grace all who dwell in this place. Amen.

OFFERING

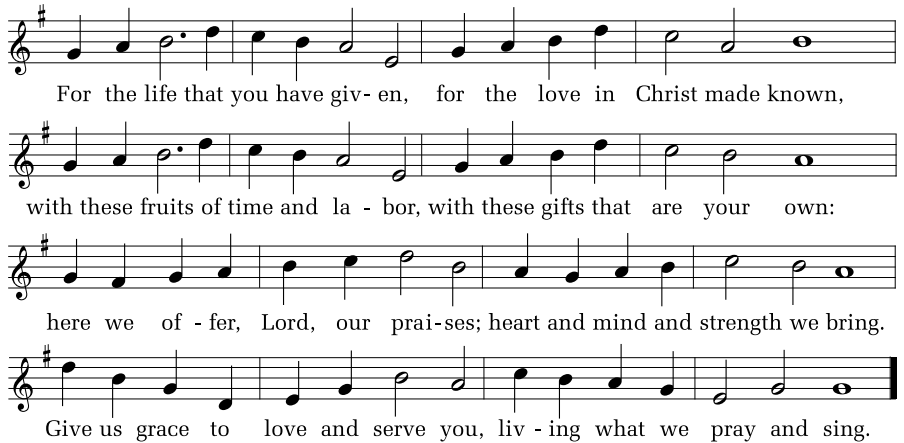
OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“The Old Hundredth Psalm Tune”

R. Vaughan Williams

All people that on earth do dwell,
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
him serve with fear, his praise forth tell,
come ye before him and rejoice.
The Lord, ye know, is God indeed;
without our aid he did us make;
we are his folk, he doth us feed,
and for his sheep he doth us take.
O enter then his gates with praise;
approach with joy his courts unto;
praise, laud, and bless his name always,
for it is seemly so to do.
For why? The Lord our God is good:
his mercy is forever sure;
his truth at all times firmly stood
and shall from age to age endure.
To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
the God whom heaven and earth adore,
from us and from the angel host
be praise and glory evermore. Amen.

*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: **Almighty and merciful God,
from whom comes all that is good,
we praise you for your mercies,
for your goodness that has created us,
your grace that has sustained us,
your discipline that has corrected us,
your patience that has borne with us,
and your love that has redeemed us.
Help us to love you
and to be thankful for all your gifts
by serving you and delighting to do your will,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*HYMN 172

“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

Tune: RESIGNATION

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Sonata pian’e forte

Giovanni Gabrieli; arr. Robert King

Mission Trip Commissioning

Mission trips provide opportunities to build relationships, grow in cross-cultural understanding, share our faith in Christ, and serve our brothers and sisters internationally and in the United States.

Today we are commissioning persons active in the 2014 mission trips as ambassadors of faith from Fourth Church:

Dala Aavik, Erin Bennett, Rita Bennett, Deborah Chapman, Vicky Curtiss, Beena David, Craig Endicott, Caryn Hank, Shelly Hennig, Ethan Jacobs, Nancy Jacobs, Eunice John, Mary Jane Jones, Deborah Kapp, Frank Lucas, Laura Meyer, Rachel Murray, Margaret O'Hara, Cole Seaton, John Sherer, Stanley Smith, Tanya Uyigüe, Sarah Van der Ploeg, Gretchen Wahl, Judy Watt, Sherry Woodry

Guatemala ❖ Celebrating Christian Harmony, February 21–March 1

Participants will share the gift of singing with various churches in villages of Guatemala, while learning about Guatemalan history, culture, politics, and the church's witness.

Led by Vicky Curtiss and John Sherer; hosted by CEDEPCA.

Cuba ❖ Sister Congregations in Faith, March 21–29

Women participants will support the Christian witness of First Presbyterian Church of Havana and deepen relationships with members of that church as they learn about the cultural, economic, and political context in which the church carries out its ministries.

Led by Judy Watt and Gretchen Wahl; hosted by First Presbyterian Church of Havana

Urban Plunge ❖ Chicago, May 16–18

For the fifth year, we will work alongside members of First Presbyterian Church of Chicago, gardening on their site, refurbishing the interior of their historic church, and sharing meals and worship.

Led by Stanley Smith; hosted by First Presbyterian Church of Chicago

For information about participating in upcoming trips or supporting mission trips sponsored by Fourth Church, contact Vicky Curtiss, Associate Pastor for Mission, at 312.981.3598 (vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org).

WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. Judith L. Watt, Edwin Estevez, Calum I. MacLeod

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THE MUSIC TODAY

9:30 a.m. Tower Brass; The Morning Choir

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

Matthew Comerford, Artistic Director of Tower Brass

WORSHIP NOTES

Tower Brass, Fourth Church's brass ensemble, participates in worship services as well as special events and concerts throughout the year.

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 photo depicts a carved wooden angel in Stone Chapel.

PASTORAL STAFF

Calum I. MacLeod, Executive Associate Pastor and Head of Staff

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