MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE

Suite in C Major

Johann Sebastian Bach

INTROIT

"The Lord Is Full of Compassion"

Iain Quinn

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy; come let us adore him. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

(The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN 87

"The Glory of These Forty Days"

Tune: Erhalt uns. Herr

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Almighty God,

we confess that we are unreliable.

We don't always know right from wrong.

We cannot count on ourselves

to sort and to select according to your will,

but we act as though we can.

We are more cunning than we are discerning.

Forgive us, Lord.

Impress your word upon our consciences,

that it may not only convict us, but also recreate us.

In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

UNISON PRAYER

Holy God, remind us of the promises given in our own baptism and renew our trust in you.

Make us strong to obey your will and to serve you with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER

Psalm 32 (responsively)

(page 479, O.T.)

ANTHEM

"Miserere Mei"

William Byrd

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy, blot out my transgressions.

FIRST LESSON

Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

(page 2, O.T.)

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

*GLORIA PATRI

(The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON

Matthew 4:1-11

(page 3, N.T.)

SERMON

The Degree of Real

JOYCE SHIN

"Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him." Matthew 4:11 (NRSV)

*HYMN 278

"Our God, to Whom We Turn"

Tune: Was frag' ich nach der Welt

*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

"Amen"

Vincent Persichetti

OFFERING

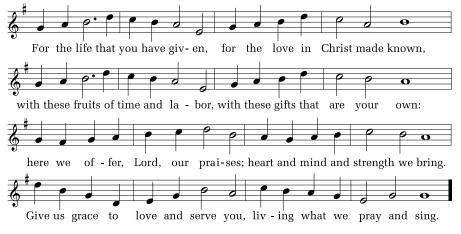
OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Daemon Irrepit Callidus"

György Orbán

The devil sneaks expertly amidst praise, song, and dance. However amiably the devil acts, it is still worth less than the heart of Jesus. Poor, passionate, undisciplined, frustrated devil!

*Presentation of the Offering and Response



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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: Gracious God, you have given, and we have taken.

Turn us into givers.

Take these gifts, and take much more.

Take our hands,

and use them for your purpose.

Overtake our mouths,

that we may speak of truth and goodness.

Take our backs

to bear one another's burdens.

Take our lives,

that you might work through us.

Almighty God, take all this and take more.

Especially take our thanks.

In gratitude we pray. Amen.

*Hymn 351

"Give to Me, Lord, a Thankful Heart"

Tune: GATESCARTH

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune

William McCabe

"Let the little children come to me . . .
for it is to such as these that the
kingdom of heaven belongs."

Matthew 19:14 (NRSV)

Baptism

at Fourth Presbyterian Church

On the second Sunday of each month, Fourth Church includes the Sacrament of Baptism in morning worship. Baptism is the sign and seal of God's grace and covenant in Christ. As *The Book of Order* of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) explains, baptism signifies the faithfulness of God, the washing away of sin, rebirth, putting on the fresh garment of Christ, and adoption into the covenant family of the church.

The baptism of children witnesses to the truth that God's love claims people before they are able to respond in faith. The congregation, on behalf of the whole church, assumes responsibility for nurturing the baptized children in the Christian life, and it is for this reason that the congregation makes such a promise during the service. In the unison prayer we also remember that we too were baptized and as children of God are part of the worldwide family of faith.

Those being baptized at the 9:30 worship service are

Victoria Elena Fajardo, daughter of Javier and Kathryn Fajardo Samuel Mark Lukens, son of Brian and Melinda Lukens Amelia Jane Morgan, daughter of Joe and Marianne Morgan Dylan Joseph Morgan, son of Joe and Marianne Morgan

Those being baptized at the 11:00 worship service are

Myles Hollis Anderson, son of William and Laura Anderson Tessa Margaret Bilton, daughter of Jonathan and Kristen Bilton Gia Marilyn McClure, daughter of Ian and Andrea McClure Noelle Catherine Pavlak, daughter of Russell and Kathryn Pavlak William Jonathon Riley, son of Timothy and Jessica Riley

WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. Edwin Estevez, Victoria G. Curtiss, Joyce Shin

Jean Marie Koon, Elder

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THE MUSIC TODAY (9:30 AND 11:00)

Peter Slowik, viola; the Morning Choir

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

WORSHIP NOTES

Playing the prelude today is Peter Slowik, String Department Chair from Oberlin Conservatory of Music in Oberlin, Ohio. Peter established the organization Credo (credo-music.org) to combine high-level musical training with Christian mentorship and the opportunity for outreach and service to others.

During the season of Lent, Elders currently serving on Session will join clergy in leading worship by reading the Psalter and scripture lessons.

The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering is being received throughout Lent. Gifts to this offering support Chicago Lights Tutoring and the Social Service Center as well as the work of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Hunger, and Self-Development of People Programs. To make a "One Great Hour of Sharing" gift, you can use the envelopes in the pew racks or write "Lenten Offering" on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

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 (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 bulletin cover photo depicts the slightly open door to Stone Chapel, photographed from inside the chapel.

PASTORAL STAFF

Shannon J. Kershner, Pastor-Elect (joining us May 1)

Joyce Shin, Associate Pastor for Congregational Life and temporary Head of Staff

Victoria G. Curtiss, Associate Pastor for Mission

Adam H. Fronczek, Associate Pastor for Adult Education and Worship

Matt Helms, Minister for Children and Families

Hardy H. Kim, Associate Pastor for Evangelism

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