

## MORNING WORSHIP

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

### PRELUDE

Three Choral Preludes

*Johannes Brahms*

Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended?

O God, Thou Faithful God

O World, I Must Leave Thee

### INTROIT

“O Come, Let Us Sing”

*Stephen Sturk*

O come, let us sing to the Lord. Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving.

Let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

### \*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

(The Hymnal, 592)

### \*HYMN 482

“Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty”

Tune: LOBE DEN HERREN

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

God of love and justice,

we long for peace within and peace without.

We long for harmony in our families,  
for serenity in the midst of struggle.

We long for the day when our homes  
will be a dwelling place for your love.

Yet we confess that we are often anxious,  
we do not trust each other,  
and we harbor violence.

We are not willing to take the risks  
and make the sacrifices that love requires.

Look upon us with kindness and grace.

Rule in our homes and in all the world;

show us how to walk in your paths,

through the mercy of our Savior. Amen.

### DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

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

### CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

### MINUTE FOR MISSION

*\*Stand as you are able.*

**ANTHEM**

“Rune of Hospitality”

*Charles Huddleston Heaton*

I saw a stranger yestere'en. I put food in the eating place,  
drink in the drinking place, music in the listening place,  
and in the blessed name of the Triune, he blessed myself and my house,  
my cattle and my dear ones. And the lark said in her song,  
“Often goes the Christ in the stranger’s guise.”

**PSALTER**

Psalm 95 (*responsively*)

(page 520, O.T.)

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

(The Hymnal, 579)

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

John 4:1–42 (*selected verses*)

(page 89, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

Chance Encounters

ADAM H. FRONCZEK

**\*HYMN 387**

“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

Tune: BRADBURY

**\*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"

*Florence Worthington*

## OFFERING

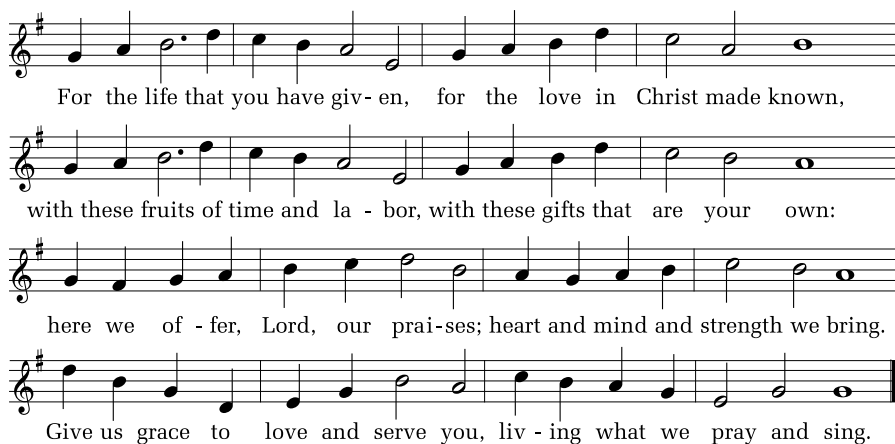
## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"I See His Blood upon the Rose"

*Arthur Benjamin*

I see his blood upon the rose and in the stars the glory of his eyes;  
his body gleams amid eternal snows; his tears fall from the skies.  
I see his face in every flower; the thunder and the singing of the birds  
are but his voice, and carven by his power, rocks are his written words.  
All pathways by his feet are worn; his strong heart stirs the ever-beating sea;  
his crown of thorns is twined with every thorn; his cross is every tree.

## \*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: **God of extravagant mercy,  
with hands outstretched you have poured out  
wonder and pleasure and delight,  
goodness and beauty and bounty.  
So take these offerings, we pray,  
as our protest against all that is evil  
and ugly and impoverished,  
trivial and wretched and tyrannical,  
in our world and in ourselves,  
and thus may we and others know  
ourselves to be blessed. Amen.**

**\*HYMN 84**

“In the Cross of Christ I Glory”

Tune: RATHBUN

**BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE**

**POSTLUDE**

Toccata from *Suite no. 2*

*Louis Vierne*

# LOOKING AHEAD TO HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

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**Palm Sunday,** 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m. Morning Services  
**April 13** *Joyce Shin preaching*  
4:00 p.m. Jazz Service with Communion  
*Adam H. Fronczek preaching*

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**Maundy Thursday,** 12:10 p.m. Communion Service  
**April 17** *Matt Helms preaching*  
7:30 p.m. Tenebrae Communion Service

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**Good Friday,** 12:10 p.m. Good Friday Service in the Sanctuary  
**April 18** *Judith L. Watt preaching*  
4:00 p.m. Children's Service in Buchanan Chapel  
7:30 p.m. Choral Service in the Sanctuary

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**Holy Saturday,** 8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil in the Sanctuary  
**April 19** *John W. Vest preaching*

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**Easter Sunday,** 6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service at Oak Street Beach  
**April 20** *Hardy H. Kim preaching*  
8:00, 9:30, 11:30 a.m. Easter Service  
*Joyce Shin preaching*  
9:30 a.m. Children's Service in Gratz, Fourth Floor  
4:00 p.m. Easter Jazz Service with Communion  
*Adam H. Fronczek preaching*

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*Please note that the last morning service  
on Easter begins at 11:30 a.m.*

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## WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. Edwin Estevez, Elaine Filus, Hardy H. Kim, Adam H. Fronczek

## THE MUSIC TODAY

The Morning Choir; Bryce Bartu and Sarah Van der Ploeg, soloists  
Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

## WORSHIP NOTES

**Today's Minute for Mission** is presented by Elaine Filus, Co-Chair of the Mission Committee, on behalf of Presbyterian Church (USA) mission outreach.

**During the season of Lent**, Elders currently serving on Session will join clergy in leading worship by sharing in the reading of 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 this Friday, March 28 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

**The bulletin cover** photo depicts the view looking up at the arch over the chancel when seen on an angle. The pulpit sounding board is at upper left and the edge of the north balcony in the lower right.

## 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

**John W. Vest**, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry

**Judith L. Watt**, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care

**Edwin Estevez**, Pastoral Resident

**John Buchanan**, Pastor Emeritus

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