

## MORNING WORSHIP

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

### PRELUDE

Tierce en Taille

*François Couperin*

A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth

*Johann Sebastian Bach*

Go Not Far from Me, O God

*Niccolo Antonio Zingarelli*  
*arr. Martha Lynn Thompson*

### INTROIT

“Out of the Depths”

*Martin Luther; arr. J. S. Bach*

Out of the depths to thee I raise the voice of lamentation. Lord, turn a gracious ear to me, and hear my supplication. If thou shouldst count our every sin, each evil deed or thought within, O who could stand before thee?

### \*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

(The Hymnal, 592)

### \*HYMN 83

“O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High”

Tune: DEO GRACIAS

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

**Holy God, so many times you have approached us,  
and we have turned away.**

**You have called us to remember our relationship to one another,  
and we have thought only of our own needs and desires.**

**You have been present in the midst of our struggles,  
and we have chosen to suffer on our own.**

**You have set before us promises for new life,  
and we have insisted upon continuing in our old ways.**

**Forgive us, Lord.**

**Set us free to rebuild the lives of ourselves and others,  
to feel the possibility of the future,  
to know that these bones may live. Amen.**

### DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

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

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (9:30)

#### UNISON PRAYER (9:30)

**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 130 (*responsively*)

(page 542, O.T.)

### ANTHEM

“Dry Bones”                      *African American spiritual; arr. Livingston Gearhart*  
Ezekiel cried, “Them dry bones, now hear the word of the Lord!” Ezekiel connected them dry bones, your toe bone connected to your foot bone, your foot bone connected to your heel bone, your heel bone connected to your ankle bone, your ankle bone connected to your leg bone, your leg bone connected to your knee bone, your knee bone connected to your thigh bone, your thigh bone connected to your hip bone, your hip bone connected to your back bone, your back bone connected to your shoulder bone, your shoulder bone connected to your neck bone, your neck bone connected to your head bone. “Now hear the word of the Lord!” Them bones gonna walk around. “Now hear the word of the Lord!” Disconnect them bones, them dry bones, your head bone connected from your neck bone, your neck bone connected from your shoulder bone, your shoulder bone connected from your back bone, your back bone connected from your hip bone, your hip bone connected from your thigh bone, your thigh bone connected from your knee bone, your knee bone connected from your leg bone, your leg bone connected from your ankle bone, your ankle bone connected from your heel bone, your heel bone connected from your foot bone, your foot bone connected from your toe bone. “Now hear the word of the Lord!”

### \*GLORIA PATRI

(The Hymnal, 579)

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ezekiel 37:1–14

(page 759, O.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON

Dry Bones

ADAM H. FRONCZEK

### \*HYMN 313

“Come Down, O Love Divine”

Tune: DOWN AMPNEY

### \*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”

*John Rutter*

### OFFERING

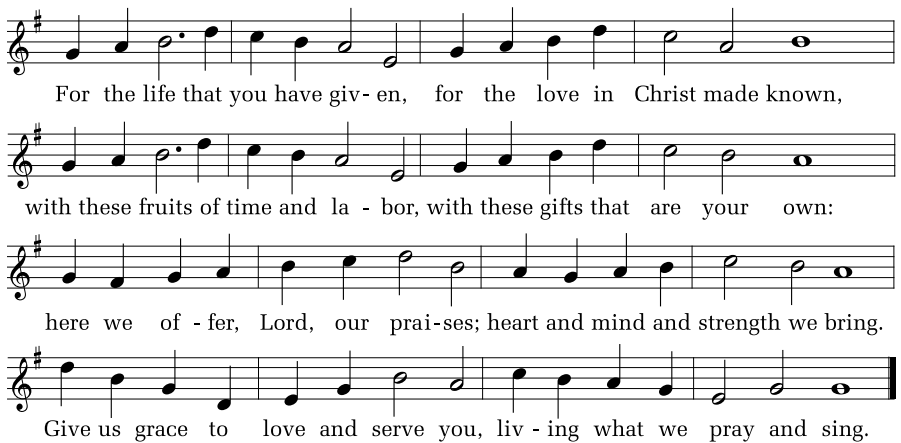
### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Father in Heaven”

*Aaron David Miller*

Father in heaven, hold not our sins up against us, but hold us up against our sins, so that the thought of thee when it wakens in our soul and each time it wakens should not remind us of what we have committed but of what thou didst forgive, not of how we went astray but of how thou didst save us.

### \*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: **Gracious God,**

**in humility and faith**

**we set at your feet what is already yours—**

**our money, our talent, our time.**

**Use these gifts for the building up of your body on earth,**

**for the creation of new things, for the reconstruction**

**of that which is broken in the world you love so much.**

**We ask this in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ,**

**who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,**

**now and forever. Amen.**

**DEDICATION OF THE JOHN H. BOYLE CONFERENCE ROOM AND BENCH (11:00)**

All: **God of all eternity,**

**we dedicate these gifts to your glory,**

**in joyful celebration of the life of your servant**

**and our pastor and friend, John Boyle,**

**who, at the end of his service in the earthly church,**

**now finds his rest in you.**

**May his witness continue in this place,**

**encouraging those who follow,**

**that all may come to know more fully**

**the wisdom and compassion of our Lord, Jesus Christ,**

**in whose name we pray. Amen.**

**\*HYMN 275**

“God of Our Life”

Tune: SANDON

**BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE**

**POSTLUDE**

Fugue in C Major

*Dieterich Buxtehude*

# Baptism at Fourth Presbyterian Church

Baptism is the sign and seal of God's grace and covenant in Christ. As *The Book of Order* 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

Lauren Edyth Ahlm, daughter of Kurt and Sarah Ahlm  
Jocelyn Rose Card, daughter of Jordan and Jennifer Card  
Caden Bruce Cook, son of Christopher and Carly Cook  
Keegan Alexander Fabianski, son of Frank and Jennifer Fabianski  
Mason Earl Gedey, son of Roderick and Shannon Gedey  
Oliver Adam Rice, son of Matthew and Faye Rice  
Christian Evans Willer, son of Derrick Willer and Sharmin Jesuthasan



**Today we honor John H. Boyle.** Dr. Boyle came to Fourth Presbyterian Church in 1976 both as Founding Director of the church's Lorene Replegle Counseling Center and as Associate Pastor. He continued to serve as a counselor at the Center and as a Parish Associate on the pastoral staff until the time of his death in 2013.

In many ways his life was a lived response to the horrors experienced when, as a young man, he was among those liberating the Dachau concentration camp at the end of World War II. With a deeply compassionate heart for people, he walked with many in the darkness of their grief, spoke honestly to the challenges and importance of forgiveness, and touched many through the resonant poetry of his prayers. He was at once a listener and a voice of quiet, reframing wisdom, living a life of deep and abiding witness to faith in his God.

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## WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. Victoria G. Curtiss, Rebecca Dixon, Joyce Shin, Adam H. Fronczek

11:00 a.m. Judith L. Watt, Rebecca Dixon, Joyce Shin, Adam H. Fronczek

## THE MUSIC TODAY

9:30 a.m. The Handbell Choir; the Morning Choir; the Drumming Circle

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

Briana Belding-Peck, Director of the Handbell Choir

Edwin Estevez, Director of the Drumming Circle

## WORSHIP NOTES

**During the season of Lent**, Elders currently serving on Session are joining clergy in leading worship by sharing in the reading of the Psalter and scripture lessons.

**The Offertory Anthem** was commissioned by Kathye Boyle in memory of her husband, the Reverend John Boyle, and his years of ministry at Fourth Presbyterian Church. It was composed by Aaron David Miller, who was Associate Organist at Fourth Church from 1999 to 2001, and is now Organist and Director of Music at House of Hope Presbyterian Church in St. Paul, Minnesota. The text for this anthem was written in 1847 by Søren Kierkegaard and was a favorite of John Boyle. That text is reprinted with permission. OneLicense.net. License A-712340.

**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.

## 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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