

MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE

Concerto in F Major

George Frideric Handel

Allegro – Andante – Adagio – Allegro

INTROIT

“Sing Out a Joyful Song”

Dale Wood

Sing out a joyful song in praise and come to celebrate!

With cheerful heart, give thanks to God for goodness ever great.

Sing new songs of joy, to God lift your voice!

Sing new songs of praise, give thanks and rejoice!

Sing out the hymn, the joyful psalm, the canticle of praise,

and with the builders of this house, your alleluias raise!

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

(The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN 476

“O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!”

Tune: LYONS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

**Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry,
too real to hide, and too deep to undo.**

Forgive what our lips tremble to name,

what our hearts can no longer bear,

and what has become for us

a consuming fire of judgment.

Set us free from a past that we cannot change;

open to us a future in which we can be changed;

and grant us grace

to grow more and more in your likeness and image;

through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. 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

ANTHEM

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”

Andrew Clarkson

The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his and he is mine forever.
Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth;
and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.
In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear Lord, beside me;
thy rod and staff my comfort still, thy cross before to guide me.
And so through all the length of days thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd may I sing thy praise within thy house forever.

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 40:1–11 (*responsively*)

(page 627, O.T.)

*GLORIA PATRI

(The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON

John 10:1–10

(page 97, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Remembering the Point

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”

John Stainer

OFFERING

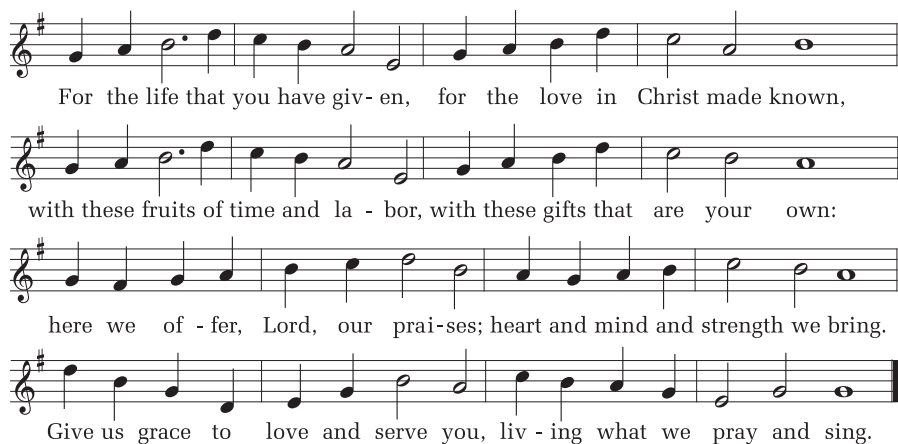
OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Adonai roi” from *Chichester Psalms*

Leonard Bernstein

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long. Why do the nations conspire and the peoples plot in vain? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord and his anointed, saying, “Let us burst their bonds asunder and cast their cords from us.” He who sits in the heavens laughs; the Lord has them in derision.

*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.**

DEDICATION OF THE SCULPTURE IN MEMORY OF DANA FERGUSON MYERS (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, Dana Ferguson Myers,
who, at the end of her service in the earthly church,
now finds her rest in you.
May her 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 482**

“Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty”

Tune: LOBE DEN HERREN

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Johann Gottfried Walther

The bulletin cover photo depicts the sculpture being dedicated today to the memory of Dana Ferguson Myers. The seventeen-foot-long acrylic sculpture, “Quaternion,” was created by artist Alyson Shotz and is shown as it appears at night to passersby on Chestnut Street, with the window frame in the foreground forming a cross. Hanging from the ceiling in Buchanan Chapel, it is part of the Jeanne and Tom Olofson Collection of Sacred Art at Fourth Church.

“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

Olivia Grace Bus, daughter of Stephen and Ashley Bus
Grady Aaron Cunningham, son of Scott and Tracy Cunningham
Miles Charles Freeman, son of Kevin and Cami Freeman
Aiden Christopher Lankheet, son of Chris and Becky Lankheet
Emmitt Morihiko Moy, son of Gregory Moy and Beth Azuma-Moy
Luke Adam Van Dyk, son of Adam and Kristen Van Dyk
Abraham Clyde Ziomek, son of Joseph and Michelle Ziomek

Those being baptized at the 11:00 worship service are

Leiya Jo Adel, daughter of Joseph Adel and Zeina Habib
Benjamin Edward Coke, son of Thomas Coke and Kelly Hugh
Shannon Kathryn Hornbeck, daughter of Ryan and Lindsay Hornbeck
Aria Marie Koshy, daughter of Matthew and Anoop Annie Koshy
Nolan Robert Lee, son of Brian and Elizabeth Lee
Benjamin Alexander Pitts, son of Ryan and Jeanette Pitts
Mia Rose Shah, daughter of Rajul and Molly Shah
Sydney Elle Shah, daughter of Rajul and Molly Shah

WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. Judith L. Watt, Larry Thomas, John W. Vest, Adam H. Fronczek

11:00 a.m. Hardy H. Kim, Andrew McGaan, Joyce Shin, Adam H. Fronczek

THE MUSIC TODAY

The Morning Choir; Laura Perkett, soloist

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist



Today we honor Dana Ferguson Myers by dedicating the Buchanan Chapel sculpture in her memory (*see cover and page 6*). Dana joined the Fourth Presbyterian Church staff as Associate Pastor for Mission in 1998. In that role she expanded the congregation's many mission and outreach programs, including global mission trips, Tutoring, and the Elam Davies Social Service Center, and ministered to the congregation through her compassionate pastoral presence. She was named Executive Associate Pastor in 2005, a position she held until her death in 2008 at the age of forty-two.

Dana lived out her call to ministry by serving others, whether members of the congregations where she was pastor or in the communities neighboring them, and remained committed to ensuring the church focused on mission and service. She leaves a legacy of joyfully embracing life and ministering to those in need.

PASTORAL STAFF

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