

## MORNING WORSHIP

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

### PRELUDE

The Lord's My Shepherd

*Searle Wright*

### 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.**

## CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

### ANTHEM

“The Lord Is My Shepherd”

*Allen Pote*

The Lord is my shepherd, nothing shall I want. My shepherd makes me lie in fields of green, leads me beside still waters. The Lord is my shepherd, who restores my life; leads me in the paths of righteousness for the sake of the Lord’s name. And even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil for you are with me; your rod and your staff will 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 in the house of my God I will live forever.

### FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 40:1–11 (*responsively*)

(page 627, O.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### \*GLORIA PATRI

(The Hymnal, 579)

### SECOND LESSON

John 10:1–10

(page 97, N.T.)

### 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.**

### OFFERING

## OFFERTORY VOLUNTARY

“Prelude on a Gregorian Tune”

*Marcel Dupré*

### \*OFFERTORY 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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## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

### INVITATION

### GREAT THANKSGIVING

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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.**

### PRAYER

Minister: It is truly right and our greatest joy . . .

. . . who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of po - wer and might,  
hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bles - sed is the  
One who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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## 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.**

## THE COMMUNION

### COMMUNION ANTHEM

“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

*American folk hymn  
arr. Virgil Thomson*

My shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is his name.  
In pastures fresh he makes me feed beside the living stream.  
He brings my wandering spirit back when I forsake his ways.  
He leads me for his mercy's sake in paths of truth and grace.  
When I walk through the shades of death thy presence is my stay.  
One word of thy supporting breath drives all my fears away.  
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread.  
My cup with blessings overflows, thine oil anoints my head.  
The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days.  
O may thy house be my abode and all my work be praise.  
There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come.  
No more a stranger or a guest, but like a child at home.

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *(unison)*

**God of grace and mercy,  
we thank you for your care and guidance of our lives,  
for the forgiveness you grant  
when we fall short of your plan for us,  
and for the hope you implant in our hearts.  
Help us to take the love we receive at this table  
into the days ahead of us. Amen.**

### \*HYMN 482

“Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty”

Tune: LOBE DEN HERREN

### BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

### POSTLUDE

Grand Chorus from *Joshua*

*George Frideric Handel*

# **The Lord's Supper at Fourth Presbyterian Church**

*"Do this in remembrance of me." Luke 22:19 (NRSV)*

**The Lord's Supper is the sign and seal** of eating and drinking in communion with the crucified and risen Lord. In this act, we remember that during his earthly ministry, Jesus shared meals with his followers and sat at dinner tables as a sign of acceptance of the sinner and the outcast. In the act of remembering that is the Lord's Supper, we receive and trust the love of Christ present to us and to the world. Through it, we are renewed and empowered to be the church, the body of Christ, in the world.

**The invitation to the Lord's Supper** is not just for Presbyterians or "members of the church." All who confess Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper. Access to the Table is not a right conferred upon the worthy but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. Even one who doubts or whose trust is wavering may receive the bread and grape juice (in place of wine) in order to be assured of God's love and grace in Jesus Christ.

**This morning, Communion is served by intinction.** The congregation comes forward by the center aisle to receive the bread, which they then dip into the chalice of grape juice. (Gluten-free bread is available in a small tumbler in each basket of bread.) Worshipers return to their pews by the side aisles.

**Fourth Presbyterian Church celebrates** the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper each Sunday at 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. worship and at all morning services on the first Sunday of even-numbered months.

*"I am the bread of life."*

John 6:35 (NRSV)

*Portions of the text above adapted from The Book of Order.*

## WORSHIP LEADERS

Victoria G. Curtiss, Mike Ban, Adam H. Fronczek

## THE MUSIC TODAY

The Chancel Choir

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

MJ Chen, Organ Scholar

## WORSHIP NOTES

**At the 8:00 service next Sunday**, Shannon Kershner will preach her first sermon as Pastor of Fourth Presbyterian Church. That Sunday, May 18, we will also celebrate the 100th anniversary of the dedication of this Sanctuary.

**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. Morning Prayer is held each weekday morning (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, May 23 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

**The bulletin cover image** depicts the view from Chestnut Street of the new Buchanan Chapel sculpture that is being dedicated today to the memory of Dana Ferguson Myers, who served as Executive Associate Pastor until her death in 2008. The seventeen-foot-long acrylic sculpture, “Quaternion,” was created by artist Alyson Shotz and is the latest addition to the Jeanne and Tom Olofson Collection of Sacred Art at Fourth Church. The dedication will be part of this morning’s 11:00 worship service.

## PASTORAL STAFF

**Shannon J. Kershner**, Pastor

**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

**Joyce Shin**, Associate Pastor for Congregational Life

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**John Buchanan**, Pastor Emeritus

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