# MORNING WORSHIP

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

# Gathering around the Word

#### PRELIDE Prelude on a Melody by Sowerby Morgan Simmons INTROIT "We Wait and Hope for the Lord" Dale Wood We wait and hope for the Lord, for he is our help and shield. In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name. Let your unfailing love be upon us, O Lord, as we put our hope in you. \*DOXOLOGY (sung) (The Hymnal, 592) Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. \*CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Psalm 31) Leader: Praise God, all people! People: Praise the Lord, all creation! God is our rock and our fortress. Leader: Our times are in God's hand. People: Leader: Let us worship God! **\*PRAYER OF PRAISE** \*HYMN 442

"The Church's One Foundation"

Tune: AURELIA

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Compassionate and gentle God, you have created us in love to be your people. You have called us in love to be your light. You have promised us in love that you are our home. But in this space of honesty, we confess we have often lost sight of these divine gifts. And we also confess that sometimes we have forgotten what it means to fully live as your people, to shine as your light, and to trust in your presence. Forgive us. Forgive us and send your Spirit anew: your Spirit of renewal and transformation; your Spirit who upends our lives; your Spirit that calls us back to you. And then remake us in your image once again so this congregation may move into your future with confidence and hope. We pray these things in the name of the One who rose from the grave. Amen.

## **DECLARATION OF PARDON**

Minister: Friends, believe the good news. People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.** 

## **CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH**

#### ANTHEM

"Eternal Light"

Eternal light, shine into our hearts; eternal goodness, deliver us from evil; eternal power, be our support; eternal wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance; eternal pity, have mercy upon us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Leo Sowerby

# Listening for the Word

Psalm 31:1–4, 15–16	(page 478, O.T.)
*GLORIA PATRI (sung)	(The Hymnal, 579)
Glory be to the Father, and to the So	n, and to the Holy Ghost:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,	
world without end. Amen. Amen.	
Scripture Lesson	
John 14:1–14	(page 102, N.T.)
Minister: The Word of the Lord.	
People: Thanks be to God.	

#### **SERMON**

**PSALTER** (responsively)

SHANNON J. KERSHNER

# **Responding to the Word**

#### \*HYMN 370

"Just as I Am, Without One Plea"

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison)

Adapted from 1 Corinthians 15:1–6, Mark 16:9, Matthew 16:16, Revelation 22:13, John 20:28

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried. that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen.

Tune: WOODWORTH

#### **REMEMBERING OUR CENTENNIAL**

Minister: This house we rededicate to God.

#### People: This house we rededicate to God.

Ministers: We believe in God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and we believe the power of God's Spirit will lead and guide us into the next century.

> This house was built by loving hands and generous friends in order that God's name may be glorified here and that the good news of Jesus Christ may be a saving power to our community, our city, and our world.

That mission to proclaim the good news of the gospel has been lived out with faithfulness over these last 100 years. And we promise that with God's help, we will continue to live out that mission as we follow our God into God's future.

And so we say again: This house we rededicate to God.

#### People: This house we rededicate to God!

#### OFFERING

#### **OFFERTORY SOLO**

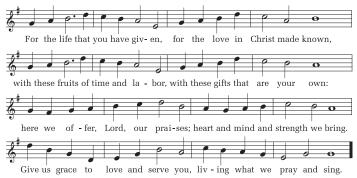
"My Eyes for Beauty Pine"

Herbert Howells

My eyes for beauty pine, my soul for God's grace; no other care nor hope is mine, to heaven I turn my face. One splendor thence is shed from all the stars above: 'tis named when God's name is said, 'tis love, 'tis heavenly love.

And every gentle heart that burns with true desire is lit from eyes that mirror part of that celestial fire.

#### **\*Offertory Response**



# Sealing the Word

#### 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.

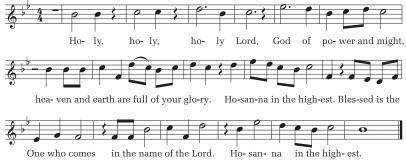
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

#### People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### PRAYER

Minister: Thanks and praise for the beginning . . .

... Thanks and praise for the answer of your Son:



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Minister: Thanks and praise for the answer of your Son . . .

 $\ldots$  proclaim the death, until he comes again—

Jesus our Lord:

All: Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again. Minister: Holy Spirit, enter like wind over water . . . . . . Show us how to praise you and pray to you, until you come again.

All: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by 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**

"Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life"

#### Richard DeLong

Come, my way, my truth, my life: such a way as gives us breath; such a truth as ends all strife; such a life as killeth death. Come, my light, my feast, my strength: such a light as shows a feast; such a feast as mends in length; such a strength as makes his guest. Come, my joy, my love, my heart: such a joy as none can move; such a love as none can part; such a heart as joys in love.

#### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** (unison)

There is no place where you are not, O God, so even as we enter back into our day and into all that life holds for us outside this place, we know that you go with us. You are behind and ahead of us, and you hold our hand every step of the way. Thank you for feeding us for nourishing us in this meal, in this time of quiet and sanctuary. Feed us throughout this day and this week. We pray in the name of Christ. Amen.

#### \*Hymn 142

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"

Tune: CORONATION

# \*BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE (please remain standing)

# POSTLUDE

Toccata in E Minor

Johann Pachelbel

# 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.

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

# WORSHIP LEADERS

Judith L. Watt, Rob Sinclair, Shannon J. Kershner

# THE MUSIC TODAY

The Chancel Choir; Carol Carpenter, soloist John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist MJ Chen, Organ Scholar

# WORSHIP NOTES

# All of the hymns in this morning's worship service were sung here 100 years ago during the first day of worship in this Sanctuary.

**Today's centennial offering is an expression of our gratitude** to God for the blessings of the past 100 years and of our commitment—as we begin our second century in this place—to ensuring the continued vitality of Fourth Presbyterian Church from one generation to the next. Gifts may be made using the envelopes in the pew racks or by writing "Centennial Offering" on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

- **The Communion Prayer is adapted from a prayer** by Katy Schneider in *Call to Worship*, published by the Office of Theology and Worship of the PC(USA), 42.1 (Lectionary Aids B, 2008–2009), pp. 38–39.
- **Those who would like to be a liturgist** and assist with the reading of scripture during an 8:00 service are asked to stop by the Volunteer Table during Coffee Hour or contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382.
- **Those who would like a commemorative Centennial bulletin** may pick one up from an usher following this service.
- The bulletin cover image is a vintage drawing of the Sanctuary that was used in various Fourth Church publications during the early to mid-twentieth century.

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