

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

Gathering around the Word

Prelude

- Processional Fanfare Elgar Howarth
Deck Yourself, My Soul, with Gladness Johannes Brahms
Three Welsh Hymn Preludes Ralph Vaughan Williams
 I. Rhosymedre arr. Greg Fudala
Meditation Ken Yukl
A Mighty Fortress Is Our God Samuel Scheidt; arr. Charles Schuchat

Introit

- “Let Us Clap Our Hands” Mikolaj Gomolka
*Let us clap our hands unto the Lord of lords.
Let us sing with voice of melody unto the Lord that is to be feared,
unto the Lord and King over all the earth.*

- *Doxology (*sung*) The Hymnal, 606
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 from Psalm 98
Minister: *God has gone up with a shout!*
People: **Sound the trumpets and sing songs of praise!**
Minister: *The risen Christ sends us forth.*
People: **To the ends of the earth we shall sing his praise.**

*Prayer of Praise

- *Hymn 260 “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”

**Stand as you are able.*

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Living God, we confess that our faith is sometimes weak.
Our love for others can be faint. Our prayers are often timid.
Our gratitude can be unconvincing.
When we stand looking toward heaven,
feeling far from you,
draw us near in your mercy.
Forgive us our faults, and fill us with your power.
In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

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

Concerns of the Church

Minute for Mission

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Psalter

Psalm 29 (*responsively*) Old Testament, page 477

Anthem

“Coelos ascendit hodie” Charles V. Stanford
Today Jesus Christ, the King of glory, has ascended into the heavens, alleluia.
He sits at the Father’s right hand, ruling heaven and earth, alleluia.
Now are David’s songs fulfilled; now God is with God, alleluia.
He sits upon the royal throne of God in this his greatest triumph, alleluia.
Let us bless the Lord; let us praise the Holy Trinity;
let us give thanks to the Lord, alleluia.

First Lesson

Acts 1:6–11 New Testament, page 110

*Gloria Patri (*sung*). The Hymnal, 581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

Second Lesson

Acts 1:12–17, 21–26 New Testament, page 110

Minister: *The Word of the Lord.*
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Spirit as Substitute Joyce Shin
“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses . . . to the ends of the earth.’ When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight.”
Acts 1:8–9 (NRSV)

Responding to the Word

*Hymn 719 “Come, Labor On”
*Affirmation of Faith (*unison*). Apostles’ Creed

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.

Reception of New Members (11:00)

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” Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina

Offering

Offertory Anthem

“Ascendit Deus” Peter Philips
*The Lord ascends in shouts of jubilation with the sound of the trumpet, alleluia.
God prepared his seat above the heavens, alleluia.*

*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.

*Prayer of Thanksgiving (*unison*)

Gracious God,
you give us more than we ever could ask.
Grace upon grace we have received from you.
Let our hands and hearts be open not just to receive, but also to give,
so that your Spirit can flow freely and fully, all to your glory.
Amen.

Bearing the Word into the World

*Hymn 270 “O Lord, You Are My God and King”

*Benediction and Response

Postlude

The Earle of Oxford’s March William Byrd; arr. E. Howarth

∞ CELEBRATING 101 YEARS ∞



Today is Dedication Commemoration Sunday at Fourth Presbyterian Church, declared by Pastor John Timothy Stone in 1914 to be observed on the third Sunday of each May.

One hundred and one years ago, on Sunday, May 10, 1914, the Fourth Church congregation worshiped in the Michigan Avenue Sanctuary for the first time, having moved from its smaller facility on Rush at Superior. A series of dedicatory services were held the remainder of that week, and later that month, the new Sanctuary and Parish House buildings were host to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, including the assembly's communion service attended by more than 1,800 worshippers.

The photograph above was taken that spring.

Worship Leaders

9:30 Victoria G. Curtiss, Robert Crouch, Layton Williams, Joyce Shin

11:00 Jeffrey Doane, Robert Crouch, Layton Williams, Joyce Shin

The Music Today

The Morning Choir; Tower Brass

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

Matthew Comerford, Artistic Director of Tower Brass

Worship Notes

TODAY'S MINUTE FOR MISSION is presented by Alison Thomas on behalf of Fourth Church Meals Ministry.

FOURTH CHURCH IS GRATEFUL TO TOWER BRASS for their music leadership from September to May each year.

AS THE BULLETIN HEADINGS REMIND US, the center of our worship is the Word—by which we mean both Scripture, and also the Living Word of God, Jesus Christ. When Scripture is read and proclaimed, Jesus Christ the Living Word is present by the inward witness of the Holy Spirit. It is this Living Word that is the center of everything we do in worship. That worship follows the pattern we see in Isaiah 6: adoration, confession, absolution, thanksgiving, and service. We listen for the Word of God. We respond in song, affirmation of our faith, prayer, and the giving of our gifts and dedication of our lives, and then God sends us back into the world to live out our faith, looking for God's work all around us.

THE BULLETIN COVER photograph depicts the stone arch high above the pulpit.

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