

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

Gathering around the Word

Prelude

Prelude and Fugue on the Name of Alain Maurice Duruflé

Introit

“Exultate, Jubilate” (9:30) Dave and Jean Perry
Shout for joy, rejoice.

“In God Alone” (11:00) Jacques Berthier
*In God alone my soul can find rest and peace, in God my peace and joy.
Only in God my soul can find its rest and peace.*

*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

Leader: *Blessed are the ones who hunger for justice,*

People: **for they will be satisfied.**

Leader: *Blessed are the ones who thirst for righteousness,*

People: **for they will drink deeply of the cup of joy.**

Leader: *Blessed are the ones who yearn for reconciliation,*

People: **for they will find peace.**

Leader: *Blessed are the ones who are persecuted,*

People: **for theirs is the commonwealth of heaven.**

Leader: *Blessed are we—for Christ calls us to this table*

People: **to feast and rejoice, for there is room for all.**

*Stand as you are able. †Or “Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.”

*Prayer of Praise

*Hymn 309. “Come, Great God of All the Ages”

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Almighty God, giver of mercy and grace:
you have called us to one table, but we have pursued our own course.
You have promised us the abundance of all creation,
but in our greed and envy, the world goes without.
You have promised us the bread of life itself,
but in our pride and arrogance, the world goes hungry.
You have promised us the waters of peace and justice,
but in our violence and discord, the world goes thirsty.
And now we are famished, too, Lord. Have mercy on us.
Forgive us, again. Transform us at this table, for this table,
and send us from this table as servants of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: *Friends, believe the good news:*

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Concerns of the Church

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Psalter (*responsively*)

Psalm 107:1–9 Old Testament, page 528

*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.

Scripture Lesson

Ephesians 2:11–22 New Testament, page 181

Leader: *The Word of the Lord.*

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Aliens, Citizens, and Breaking Down the Wall”. Brian D. Ellison

[†]Or “to the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost.”

Responding to the Word

*Hymn 774 “There Is Now a New Creation”

*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.

Offering

Offertory Anthem

“Adoremus in aeternum” Iain Quinn

*Let us adore forever the most holy sacrament. Praise the Lord, all ye nations;
praise God all ye people because God’s mercy is confirmed upon us and the
truth of the Lord remains forever.*

*Offering 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.

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

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

Sanctus (*sung*) The Hymnal, 565

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power, God of might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Minister: *. . . Great is the mystery of faith!*

Memorial Acclamation (*sung*) The Hymnal, 566

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

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

"I thank You God for most this amazing day" Eric Whitacre
(Text based on the poem by e e cummings)

Psalm 23 (*recited in unison after all have received the cup*)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures, he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul; he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

*Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

O God, send us out from this table
to answer Christ's summons into new life
and to follow him with joy and gladness.
Set our feet in this holy way,
that our lives may be signs of Christ's life
and all we do may show forth God's love. Amen.

Bearing the Word into the World

*Hymn 761. "Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

*Benediction and Response

Postlude

Improvisation on the "Te Deum" Charles Tournemire

TODAY FOURTH CHURCH CELEBRATES THE SACRAMENT of the Lord's Supper.

All who confess Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, even those who doubt or whose trust is wavering, are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper, in which we are assured of God's love and grace.

The congregation is served in the pews by Fourth Church elders and deacons.

The congregation also takes on the role of serving: worshipers take the bread (which is gluten-free) and grape juice from the plate held by their neighbor, and then they take the plate and serve the neighbor on their other side.

Empty glasses are placed in the ringed holes in the pew racks.

Worship Leaders

9:30 Rocky Supinger, Christiane Knapp-Andrews, Hope Daniels
Lucy Forster-Smith, Shannon J. Kershner, Brian Ellison

11:00 Rocky Supinger, Aaric Gray, Charles Keenan, Lucy Forster-Smith
Shannon J. Kershner, Brian Ellison

The Music Today

Morning Choir; Laura Perkett, soloist; Youth Choir
John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music
Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist
Katy Sinclair, Associate Director of Music for Children and Youth
Hsing-Huei Huang, Pianist

Worship Notes

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY is a day when we celebrate our oneness in Christ with all our brothers and sisters around the world. Reminding us of the unity in that global family, both the colorful cloth on the Communion Table and the stoles being worn by the pastors are from Guatemala, a frequent destination of Fourth Church service trips—including one planned for August 2019.

TODAY'S PEACE AND GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING supports efforts towards peacemaking by the Presbyterian Church (USA). Gifts to this offering can be made using the envelopes available in the pew racks or by writing "Peacemaking" on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

FOURTH CHURCH WELCOMES BRIAN ELLISON, Executive Director of Covenant Network of Presbyterians, to the pulpit this morning.

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