

ANTHEM

“Now the Silence”

Gerald Near

Now the silence, now the peace, now the empty hands
 uplifted. Now the kneeling, now the plea, now the Father’s
 arms in welcome. Now the hearing, now the power,
 now the vessel brimmed for pouring. Now the body,
 now the blood, now the joyful celebration. Now the
 wedding, now the songs, now the heart forgiven
 leaping. Now the Spirit’s visitation, now the Son’s
 epiphany, now the Father’s blessing. Now. Now. Now.
 Then the glory, then the rest, then the sabbath peace
 unbroken. Then the garden, then the throne, then the
 crystal river flowing. Then the splendor, then the life,
 then the new creation singing. Then the marriage,
 then the love, then the feast of joy unending. Then the
 knowing, then the light, then the ultimate adventure.
 Then the Spirit’s harvest gathered, then the Lamb
 in majesty, then the Father’s amen. Then. Then. Then.

FIRST LESSON

2 Samuel 11:26–12:7a, 13–15

(page 272, O.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.*****GLORIA PATRI**

(The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON

John 6:24–35

(page 92, N.T.)

SERMON

by John H. Boyle

A NEW LONGING, A NEW PRIORITY

“They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

John 6:34 (NRSV)

***HYMN 189**

“As Deer Long for the Streams”

*Tune: ROCKINGHAM****APOSTLES’ CREED***(unison)*

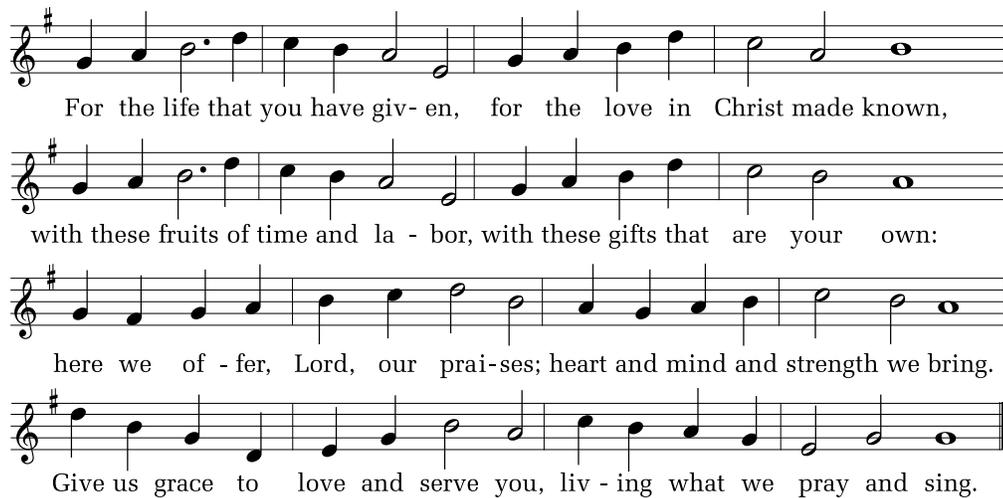
**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
 Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ
 his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by
 the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,
 dead, and buried; he descended into hell;
 the third day he rose again from the 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 “Air from *Orchestral Suite No. 3*”
Johann Sebastian Bach

*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.

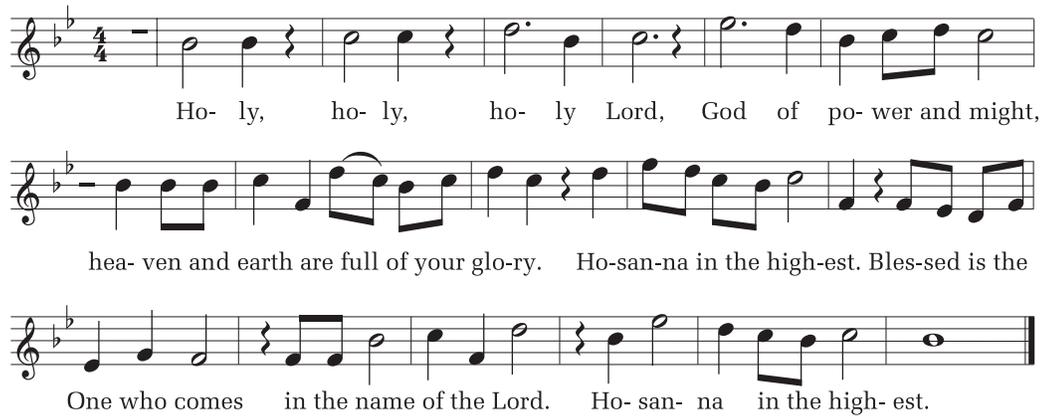
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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 "Cantique de Jean Racine"

G. Fauré
arr. D. G. Mason

O Redeemer divine, our sole hope of salvation, eternal light of the earth and the sky and from the peaceful night, our voices break the silence, divine Savior. Upon us turn your eyes, divine Savior; pour out on us the fire of thy grace, strong and mighty; that hell shall flee, shall flee at thy command. Dispel the slumber from souls that languish, that leads our souls to depart from thy laws. O Christ, bestow thy favor upon thy people, faithful, for we bless you as we now congregate. Receive the songs we offer to thine immortal glory and from these gifts we return unto thee.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *(unison)*

Here at this table of remembrance,
thanksgiving, and hope, we have realized
that within the tangled skein of our desires
lies our longing for your love and forgiving grace.
Reassure us that our longing is fulfilled,
as in trust we commit ourselves to you and
go forth into the world to share with others
that which we have longed for. Amen.

*HYMN 281

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

Tune: CWM RHONDDA

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Prelude to a Te Deum

Marc-Antoine Charpentier

The Lord’s Supper at Fourth Presbyterian Church

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. 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 will come forward by the center aisle to receive the bread, which they will then dip into the chalice of grape juice. Worshipers will return to their pews by the side aisles.

Portions of the text above adapted from The Book of Order

WORSHIP LEADERS

Jocelyn C. Cadwallader, Joann H. Lee, John H. Boyle

THE MUSIC TODAY

Women of the Morning Choir; Carol Carpenter, flutist
Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

WORSHIP NOTES

The women of the Morning Choir will be singing during morning worship services in August; the full Morning and Chancel choirs will return in September.

Fourth Church offers a variety of worship opportunities in addition to Sunday morning services. An afternoon Communion service is held each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. Each weekday morning, Morning Prayer is held in Stone Chapel as a time to remember in prayer members of the Fourth Church congregation and those in need (9:30 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday; 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday). A Taizé service is held at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel on the fourth Friday of each month.

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