

MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE Cloister—Garth *Herbert Brewer*

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INTROIT “Halle, Halle, Halle” *Caribbean melody
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Hallelujah!

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

**Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you
with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

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CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ANTHEM

“Breathe on Me, Breath of God” *Richard DeLong*

Breathe on me, breath of God, fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love and do what thou
wouldst do. Breathe on me, breath of God, until my heart
is pure, until with thee I will one will to do and to endure.
Breathe on me, breath of God, till I am wholly thine,
until this earthly part of me glows with the fire divine.
Breathe on me, breath of God, so shall I never die,
but live with thee the life of thine eternity.

PSALTER

Psalm 84 (*congregation sings the refrain*)

Hal H. Hopson



1. My soul longs for your courts, O Lord of Hosts;
my heart and my soul sing out; I sing to the living God.

***Refrain:* Lord, how lovely is your dwelling place.**

2. There the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a house
for her brood; they nest their young by your altars,
my Lord, the mighty God. ***Refrain***
3. All are blest who dwell in your house, who ever sing
your praise. How blest are those who trust in you,
as they press to Zion's hill. ***Refrain***
4. When they walk through the valley of tears, springs of
water give new life. They march to Zion's hill; the God
of gods be praised. ***Refrain***

*GLORIA PATRI

(The Hymnal, 579)

SCRIPTURE LESSON Numbers 13:1–3, 17–20, 25–33; 14:1 (page 126, O.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

JOHN BUCHANAN

Giants Ahead and We Are Merely Grasshoppers

*“All the people that we saw in it are of great size . . .
and to ourselves we seemed like grasshoppers.”*

Numbers 13:32–33 (NRSV)

***HYMN 413**

“All Who Love and Serve Your City”

Tune: CHARLESTOWN

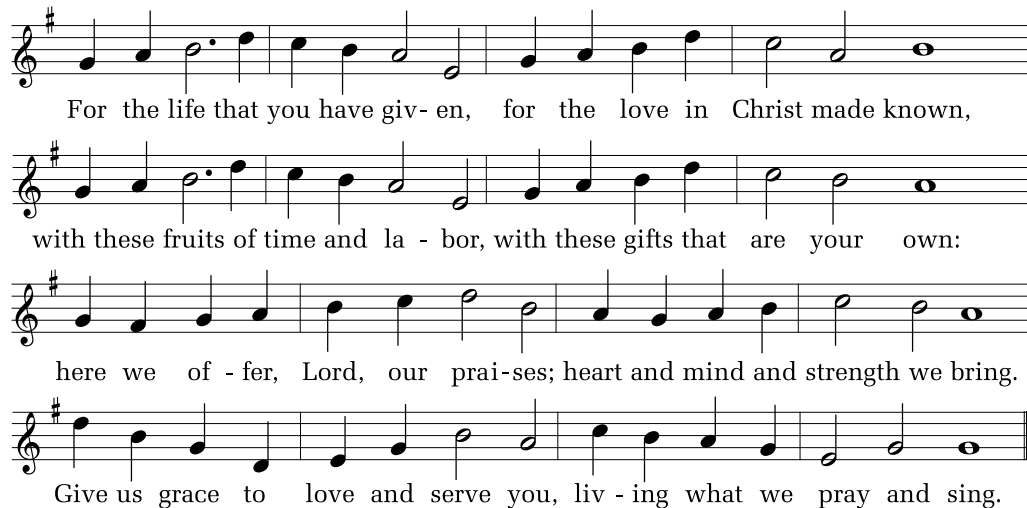
***APOSTLES' CREED** *(unison)*

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 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling *Paul Manz*

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

People: **Christ has died. Christ is risen.**

Christ will come again.

Minister: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit . . .

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 “O Lord, Hear My Prayer” *Jacques Berthier*

O Lord, hear my prayer; when I call, answer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer; come and listen to me.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (*unison*)

**Merciful God, we give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all people.**

**We thank you for this church
and for visionary and strong leaders
who planned and built in this place.**

**We thank you for all those
who have loved this church
and whose faithful generosity
has sustained it over the years.**

**We thank you for the challenge in
our day to continue to build
and provide a church for the future.**

**Receive and bless the gifts of our hands
and the commitment of our resources.**

**We present them in the name and for the sake
of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

***HYMN 420**

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

Tune: CWM RHONDDA

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune

Frederick Swann

WORSHIP LEADERS

Thomas C. Rook, Jo Preuninger, John Buchanan

THE MUSIC TODAY

The Chancel Choir

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

WORSHIP NOTES

“What the Bible Says, and What We Believe, about God” is the title of the sermon series by John Buchanan that began last Sunday and continues through November 21. Last week’s sermon, “The God Who Is,” is available in the literature racks and, in audio and print format, at www.fourthchurch.org/recentsermons.html.

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. (Gluten-free bread is available in a small tumbler in each basket of bread.) Worshipers will return to their pews by the side aisles. 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.

The bulletin cover quote by William Sloane Coffin is from his book *A Passion for the Possible*. The photograph of the Garth and fountain under construction is from the September 6, 1913, issue of *Construction News*, a building-trade publication. The high-rise visible in the distance over the cloisters is the 199 E. Lake Shore Drive apartment building, which had been completed the year before.

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