MORNING WORSHIP

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

Prelude Solemn Melody Walford Davies

Introit "The Lord Reigns!" Dale Wood

The Lord reigns! God is robed in majesty. O let us come

into God's presence with song!

*Doxology and Invocation

(The Hymnal, 592)

*Hymn 361 "How Firm a Foundation" *Tune:* Foundation

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of all mercy,

give us grace to make a fresh start today.

We know we have not loved you

with our whole heart,

nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves.

As we hope to be forgiven, teach us also to forgive,

and lead us forward in a new life

where neither grudges nor resentment have a part;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

MINUTE FOR MISSION

PSALTER Psalm 99:1–5 (responsively) (page 522, O.T.)

ANTHEM

"Laudate Pueri Dominum"

Anonymous

Praise the Lord! Praise, O servants of the Lord; praise the name of the Lord. Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time on and forevermore. From the rising of the sun to its setting the name of the Lord is to be praised. The Lord is high above all nations and his glory above the heavens. Who is like the Lord our God, who is seated on high, who looks far down on the heavens and the earth? He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap, to make them sit with princes, with the princes of his people. He gives the barren woman a home, making her the joyous mother of children. Praise the Lord. Glory to the Father, to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 65:17-25

(page 654, O.T.)

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

*GLORIA PATRI

(The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON

Luke 11:1-4

(page 67, N.T.)

SERMON

CALUM I. MACLEOD

The Isaiah Vision

"They shall not labor in vain." Isaiah 65:23 (NRSV)

*Hymn 132

"Come, Great God of All the Ages" Типе: Аввот's Leigh

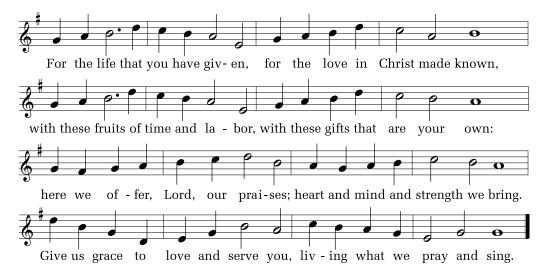
*Apostles' Creed

(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.

*Offertory Response



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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.

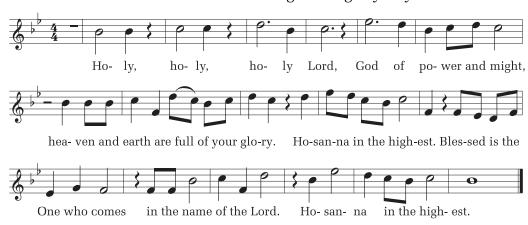
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

PRAYER

Minister: Gratitude, praise, hearts lifted high . . .

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



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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 "Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts" Plainsong
(Anthem text: Hymn 511)

Prayer after Communion (unison)

God whose giving knows no ending, as we bring our gifts before you, we give thanks for the richness of our lives; for the beauty and wonder of the world; for the care of those who love us; for strength and hope in the trials and difficulties of life; and for the presence of your love in our lives. Accept our offerings as symbols of the giving of our very selves, that we may become your body in the world, serving, forgiving, and making whole. Amen.

*HYMN **423** "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun"

Tune: Duke Street

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Trumpet Tune in G Major Georg Philipp Telemann

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 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.

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.

"I am the bread of life."
John 6:35 (NRSV)

Portions of the text above adapted from The Book of Order

WORSHIP LEADERS

Matthew J. Helms, Joyce Shin, Calum I. MacLeod

THE MUSIC TODAY

The Chancel Choir; Carol Carpenter, flutist; Laura Kubelka, soloist

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist and Handbell Director

WORSHIP NOTES

Today's Minute for Mission is presented by Bryant Trimble on behalf of the Chicago Lights Holiday Card Committee.

This morning's anthem, "Laudate Pueri Dominum," was written in the early eighteenth century for use in Jesuit mission churches located in the rain forests of South America. The Baroque music was subsequently hidden by the local population when the Spanish expelled the Jesuits from the region. It wasn't until the late twentieth century that the music for today's anthem was discovered, by Polish priest and musicologist Piotr Nawrot, in a church in Bolivia.

The textile banners and pulpit parament, "Unweavings" created by Laurie Wohl, were commissioned by Fourth Church for use during the liturgical season of Ordinary Time, the longest season of the church year (the season between Epiphany and Lent and between Pentecost and Advent). Through their combination of scripture texts and image, these banners celebrate and elevate the perception of the sacred in the "ordinary" as we make our faith journey day to day.

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