

ANTHEM “Most Glorious Lord of Life” *William H. Harris*
Most glorious Lord of life, that on this day didst make
thy triumph over death and sin and, having harrowed hell,
didst bring away captivity thence captive, us to win,
this joyous day, dear Lord, with joy begin, and grant
that we for whom thou didst die, being with thy dear
blood clean washed from sin, may live forever in felicity;
and that thy love we weighing worthingly, may likewise
love thee for the same again; and for thy sake, that all
like dear didst buy, with love may one another entertain.
So let us love, dear love, like as we ought; love is the lesson
which the Lord us taught.

PSALTER Psalm 116:12–19 (*responsively*) (page 533, O.T.)

***GLORIA PATRI** (The Hymnal, 579)

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 24:13–35 (page 84, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON Encounters with the Risen Christ MATTHEW J. HELMS

***HYMN 503** “Come, Risen Lord” *Tune: SURSUM CORDA*

***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.**

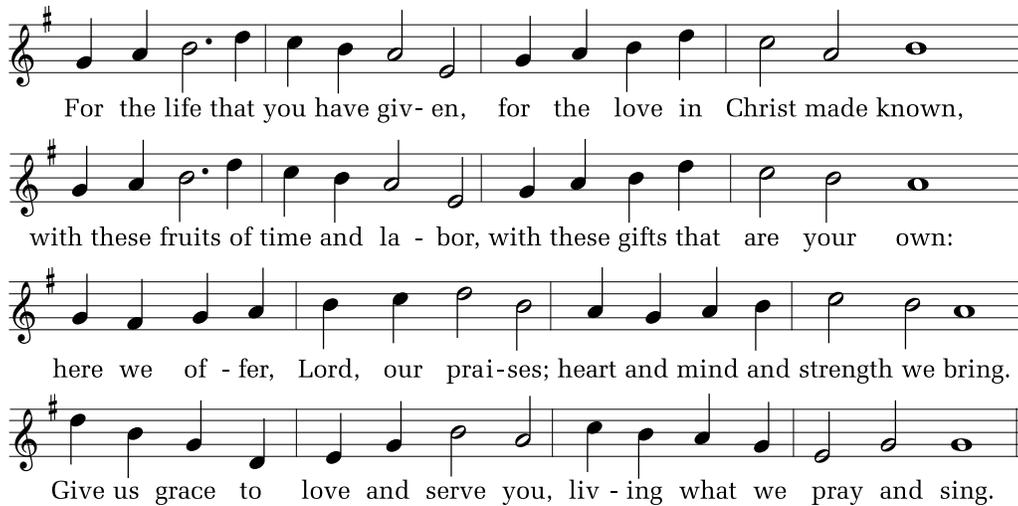
OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO “We Are a Garden Walled Around”

Robert Buckley Farlee

We are a garden walled around, chosen and made peculiar ground; a little spot enclosed by grace out of the world's wide wilderness. Like tree of myrrh and spice we stand, planted by God the Father's hand; and all his springs in Zion flow to make the young plantation grow. Let my beloved come and taste his pleasant fruits at his own feast. "I come, my spouse, I come," he cries, with love in his eyes. Our Lord into the garden comes, well pleased to smell our poor perfumes, and calls us to a feast divine, sweeter than honey, milk, or wine. Jesus, we will frequent thy board and sing the praises of our Lord; but the rich food on which we live demands more praise than tongues can give.

***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.

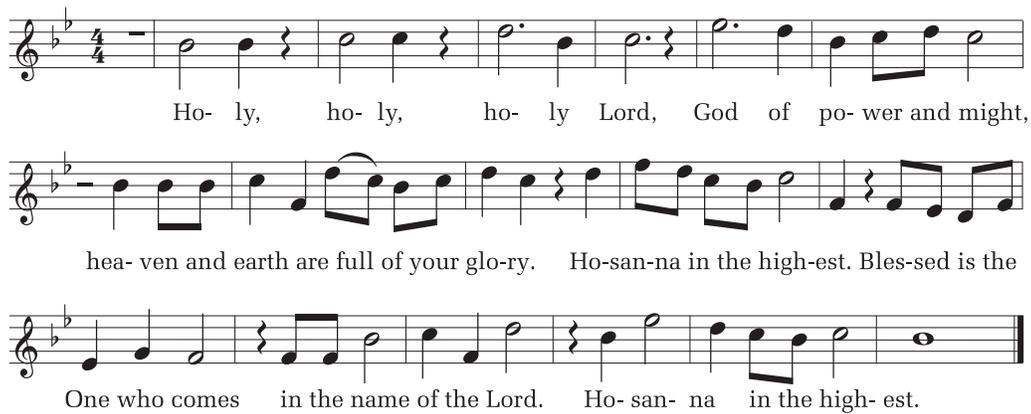
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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 "Stay with Us"

Walter Pelz

Stay with us, till night has come; our praise to you
this day be sung. Bless our bread, open our eyes;
Jesus, be our great surprise. Walk with us, our spirits sigh;
hear when our weary spirits cry; feel again our loss,
our pain; Jesus, take us to your side. Walk with us,
the road will bend; make all our weeping, wailing end.
Wipe our tears, forgive our fears; Jesus, lift the heavy cross.
Talk with us till we behold a joyful life unfold.
Heal our eyes to see the prize; Jesus, take us to the light.
Stay with us, till day is done; no tears nor dark shall dim
the sun; cheer the heart, your grace impart.
Jesus, bring eternal life.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (*unison*)

**Generous God,
we thank you that in this sacrament
we are not strangers to one another,
but brothers and sisters in Christ;
we are not strangers to you,
but a welcome face at your table.
May breaking this bread together open our eyes
so that we can see the risen Christ in our midst,
in this church, in this city, in our world.
Amen.**

***HYMN 408**

“Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life”

Tune: GERMANY

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing

Healey Willan

WORSHIP LEADERS

Joyce Shin, Thomas C. Rook, Matthew J. Helms

THE MUSIC TODAY

The Chancel Choir; Carol Carpenter, soloist and flutist

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist and Handbell Director

WORSHIP NOTES

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. 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.

Gifts to help those affected by the recent devastating storms in the South can be made by using the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance offering envelopes in the pew racks or by writing "PDA" on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

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