

MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE Gloria! *Craig Courtney*
 Simple Gifts *Shaker melody*
 arr. Rene Clausen
 Benedictus *Brian Lewis*

INTROIT “Alleluia. The Spirit of the Lord” *Iain Quinn*
Alleluia. The Spirit of the Lord renews the face of the earth;
come, let us adore him; alleluia. Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and
will be forever. Amen.

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

***HYMN 131** “Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow” *Tune: ABERYSTWYTH*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

Almighty God,
you poured out your Spirit upon gathered disciples,
creating bold voices and clear understanding,
and a new community of faith.
We confess that we are not always receptive to that Spirit.
We are deaf to your word of grace and truth
and we refuse to live as a people made one in Christ.
We confess that we prefer the status quo
to the new life you promise.
Forgive our timidity and fill us again
with the fire of your Spirit
that we may live as your faithful people,
doing your will in all things,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

UNISON PRAYER **Holy God, remind us of the promises given in our own baptism and renew our trust in you. Make us strong to obey your will and to serve you with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ANTHEM “Psalm 100” *Rene Clausen*

PSALTER Psalm 104:24–34 (*responsively*) (page 525, O.T.)

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON Acts 2:1–13 (page 111, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON JOHN BUCHANAN

Pentecost Hyperconnectivity

“All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages.” Acts 2:4 (NRSV)

***HYMN 504** “Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether” *Tune: UNION SEMINARY*

***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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

PRAYER RESPONSE "Holy Spirit"

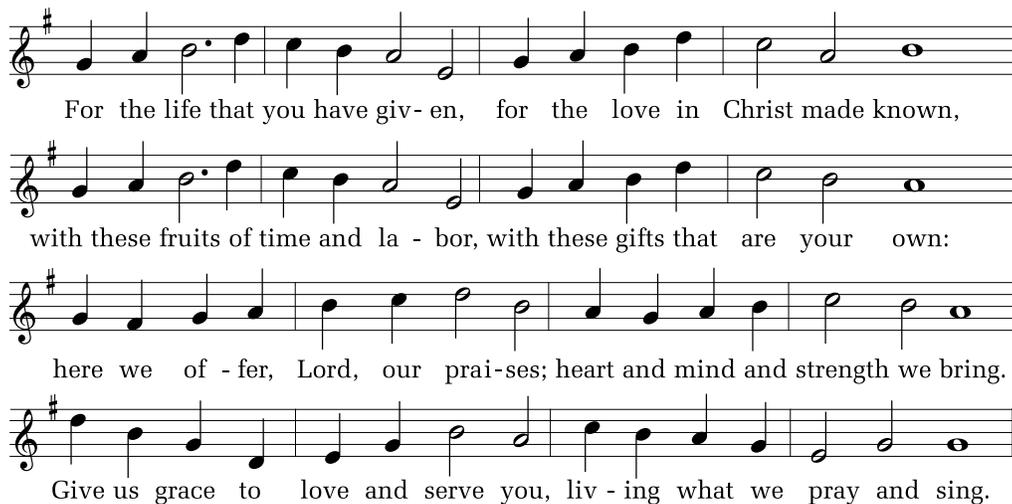
John LaMontaine

Holy Spirit, font of light, focus of God's glory bright; shed on us
a shining ray. Parent of the parentless, giver of gifts limitless,
come and touch our hearts today.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Every Time I Feel the Spirit" *African American spiritual* *arr. Rollo Dilworth*

*PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND 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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***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION**

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.**

All: **God of might and power,**

we thank you for your creating spirit

that breathes life into us.

We thank you for the church you call into being

and service by that same spirit.

Fill us with new conviction and new courage

to live in the world as faithful followers of Jesus Christ.

Take our gifts and our lives and use them

for the furtherance of your kingdom on earth.

Amen.

***HYMN 429**

“Lord, You Give the Great Commission” *Tune: ABBOT’S LEIGH*

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Finale from Variations on the tune “Veni Creator”

Maurice Duruflé

“Let the little children come to me . . .
for it is to such as these that the
kingdom of heaven belongs.”

Matthew 19:14 (NRSV)

Baptism

at Fourth Presbyterian Church

On the second Sunday of each month, Fourth Church includes the Sacrament of Baptism in morning worship. Baptism is the sign and seal of God's grace and covenant in Christ. As *The Book of Order* of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) explains, baptism signifies the faithfulness of God, the washing away of sin, rebirth, putting on the fresh garment of Christ, and adoption into the covenant family of the church. The baptism of children witnesses to the truth that God's love claims people before they are able to respond in faith. The congregation, on behalf of the whole church, assumes responsibility for nurturing the baptized children in the Christian life, and it is for this reason that the congregation makes such a promise during the service. In the unison prayer we also remember that we too were baptized and as children of God are part of the worldwide family of faith.

Those being baptized at the 9:30 worship service are

India Annette Brooks, daughter of Robert and Natalie Brooks
Brandon Matthew Kirr, son of Erich and Beata Kirr
Lewis Isaiah Lofgren, son of Jason and Margaret Lofgren
Christian Cooper MacLeod, son of Mark MacLeod and Heather Kim-MacLeod
Daniel Joseph Rattin, son of Mark and Ann Rattin
Jackson Ryan Tournis, son of James and Elizabeth Tournis

Those being baptized at the 11:00 worship service are

Connor Jeffrey Blackwell, son of Graham and Alyssa Blackwell
Maxwell Dean Thomas Hoffmeyer, son of Kevin and Jane Hoffmeyer
Parker James Nuciforo, son of Christopher and Jacquelynn Nuciforo
Sadie Elizabeth Newton Rice, daughter of David and Christine Rice
Cole Robert Shepherd, son of Mark and Susan Shepherd
Jessica Grace Solberg, daughter of Scott and Michelle Solberg
Lawson Davis Spearing, son of Brett and Sarah Spearing

WORSHIP LEADERS

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THE MUSIC TODAY

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Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

WORSHIP NOTES

Fourth Church welcomes the Phoenix Children's Chorus and thanks them for their musical leadership during the 9:30 and 11:00 worship services this morning. Based in Phoenix, Arizona, the choir is celebrating its 25th season and serves more than 225 students in grades 2 through 12. The choir is directed by Ron Carpenter and Jaque Marum.

The Day of Pentecost celebrates the birth of the church and the giving of the Holy Spirit to the disciples of Jesus. Red, which is the liturgical color for the day, symbolizes the pentecostal fire of the Holy Spirit, as described in Acts 2. In the Jewish tradition, Pentecost (for "fifty" days after Passover) is a harvest festival of first fruits that also celebrates the giving of the Torah, or Hebrew law. The banners hanging in the sanctuary present both Old Testament and New Testament Pentecost themes, including creation, Hebrew law, harvest, Passover, and tongues of fire. In addition to being depicted as tongues of fire, the Holy Spirit is also often represented as a dove, drawing on the Gospel references to the Spirit of God descending on Jesus "like a dove" at the time of his baptism (Matthew 3:15, Mark 1:9, Luke 3:22).

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