MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE Seth Bingham Baroques

> Overture Rondo ostinato Sarabande

Rhythmic Trumpet

Voluntary

INTROIT "Enter These Gates with Thanksgiving"

Anne Bartenfeld Barrows

Enter these gates with thanksgiving and joy, and bless the time

of our being together with love.

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

(The Hymnal, 592)

Tune: St. Anne.

*Hymn 210 "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of hope and safety,

like sheep who go astray, we wander away.

We live life on our own and then something happens

that unsettles us and we find ourselves afraid.

Forgive us, O God, for our wandering. Forgive our overdependence on ourselves.

Forgive our lack of reliance on you. Show us now your tender mercy,

and restore us in the security of your fold.

Lead us back to still waters,

and remind us again of your abundant blessings.

We admit our need, O God.

Show us your presence, we pray. 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.

^{*}Stand as you are able.

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER Psalm 23 (responsively) (page 474, O.T.)

ANTHEM "O, Clap Your Hands" John Rutter

O, clap your hands together all ye people; O, sing unto God with the voice of melody; for the Lord is high and to be feared; he is the great King upon all the earth. He shall subdue the people under us and the nations under our feet. He shall choose out a heritage for us, even the worship of Jacob whom he loved. God is gone up with a merry noise and the Lord with the sound of the trumpet. O, sing praises unto our God; O, sing praises unto our King. For God is the King of all the earth; sing praises with understanding.

*GLORIA PATRI (The Hymnal, 579)

SCRIPTURE LESSON Acts 9:36–42 (page 120, N.T.)

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

SERMON Leaning In, Running Toward, Standing Up JUDITH L. WATT

*Hymn 106 "Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks" *Tune:* Alleluia No. 1

*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 "Amen"

Kenneth E. Runkel

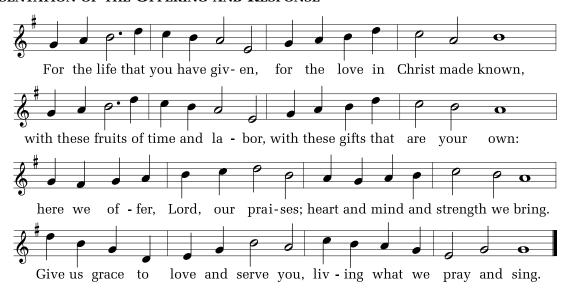
OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "God Is Gone Up"

Gerald Finzi

God is gone up with a triumphant shout, the Lord with sounding trumpets' melodies. Sing praise; sing praises out unto our King; sing praise seraphic wise! Lift up your heads, ye everlasting doors, they sing, and let the King of glory enter in. Methinks I see heaven's sparkling courtiers fly in flakes of glory down, him to attend, and hear heart-cramping notes of melody surround his chariot as it did ascend, mixing their music, making every string more to enravish as they this tune sing.

*Presentation of the Offering and Response



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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: O God,

you have so greatly loved us,

long sought us,

and mercifully redeemed us. Give us grace that in everything

we may yield ourselves, our wills, and our works,

a continual thank-offering to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN 339 "Be Thou My Vision" Tune: Slane

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Ascension Suite Olivier Messiaen

III. Outburst of Joy from a Soul before the Glory

of Christ Which Is Its Own Glory

"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

Gabriella Nailah Batie, daughter of Ferris Batie and Aaliyah Bannister-Batie Luca Victor Kastanek Buzachero, son of Christopher Buzachero and Andrianna Kastanek

Elenor Betsy Kommer, daughter of Joshua and Christine Kommer Ian Baker Krasnowski, son of Jon and Jennifer Krasnowski Elijah William Vest, son of John and Anna Vest Emma Elizabeth Weinlader, daughter of John and Molly Weinlader

Those being baptized at the 11:00 worship service are

Evan Tierney Allerton, son of Jesse and Ellen Allerton Lucie Whiting Blake, son of Adam and Elizabeth Blake Grant Edward Hoffmeyer, son of Kevin and Jane Hoffmeyer Ingrid Presley Olsen, daughter of John and Brandy Olsen Tristan Everett Tatlock, son of Andy and Catherine Tatlock Henry Vedder Walden, son of Jeff and Lesley Walden

WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. Calum I. MacLeod, Victoria G. Curtiss, Judith L. Watt11:00 a.m. Calum I. MacLeod, Victoria G. Curtiss, Judith L. Watt

THE MUSIC TODAY

9:30 a.m. The Morning Choir11:00 a.m. The Morning Choir

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

WORSHIP NOTES

This morning's Introit was composed by Anne Bartenfeld Barrows (1935–2011), mother of Fourth Church member Laura Barrows. Anne grew up in a musical family and enjoyed classical music all her life. It was as a young adult that she studied composition and first started writing music.

The Easter banners and the Communion Table and pulpit paraments were made by Nancy Chinn and Eliza Linley and depict the joy of the Resurrection.

Fourth Church offers a variety of worship opportunities each week. In addition to Sunday morning services, an afternoon jazz service with Communion is also held on Sundays at 4:00 p.m. On weekday mornings, Morning Prayer is held in the Sanctuary (9:00 a.m. on Tuesday; 9:30 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday), and a Taizé service is held at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Friday of each month. The next Taizé service will be Friday, May 24.

The bulletin cover photo shows a bird visiting the Garth on a summer day to drink from the courtyard fountain.

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