



## CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

**PSALTER** Psalm 98 (*responsively*) (page 521, O.T.)

**ANTHEM** “O Taste and See” *Ralph Vaughan Williams*  
O taste and see how gracious the Lord is;  
blest is the one that trusteth in him.

**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 21:5–19 (page 80, N.T.)

**SERMON** It’s Right Outside Our Door JOHN W. VEST  
“*This will give you an opportunity to testify.*”  
Luke 21:13 (NRSV)

**\*HYMN 341** “Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!” *Tune: ASSURANCE*

**\*APOSTLES’ CREED** (*unison*)

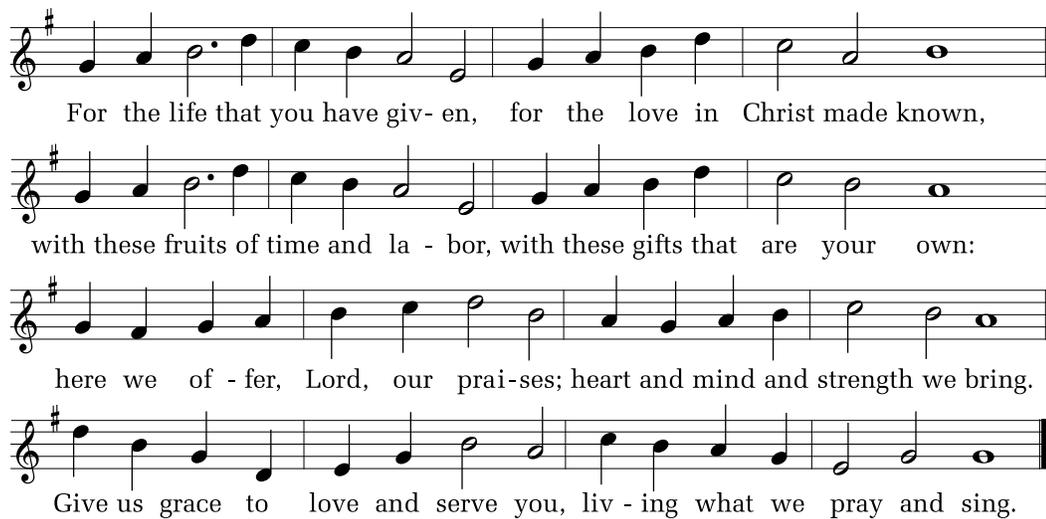
**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of  
heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son  
our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius  
Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended  
into hell; the third day he rose again from 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** “Prélude Modal” *Jean Langlais*

## \*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.**

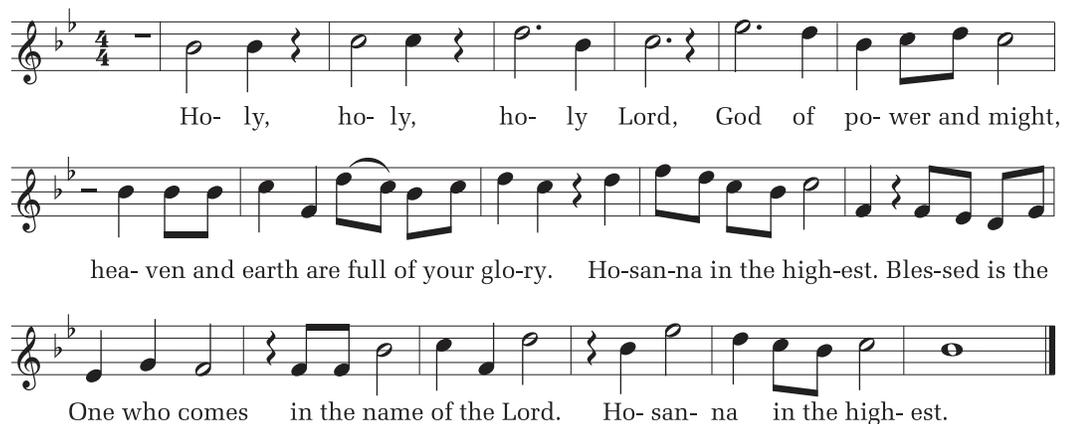
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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** "O Bread of Life from Heaven" *Heinrich Isaak*  
*arr. Johann Sebastian Bach*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** *(unison)*

Gracious God,  
as you have done in this sacred meal,  
break into our daily lives  
and show us those things that are eternal,  
that we may serve your purpose in all we do.  
Give us faith to be steadfast  
amid the tumults of the world,  
knowing that your kingdom shall come  
and your will be done.  
As we depart from this table,  
stir up within us a longing for your kingdom  
and put on our lips  
your words of hope, love, and peace,  
that we may testify to your goodness and grace  
and the rebirth of this world you so deeply love.  
Amen.

**\*HYMN 425**

"Lord of Light, Your Name Outshining"

*Tune: ABBOT'S LEIGH*

**BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE**

**POSTLUDE**

Trumpet Tune in G Major *Georg Philipp Telemann*

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# **“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”**

*Celebrating Thanksgiving with Fourth Presbyterian Church*

## **Thanksgiving Gospelfest**

**Sunday, November 24, 3:30 p.m.**

*At St. Matthew United Methodist Church (1000 N. Orleans)*

Through this annual Gospelfest of choirs and messages of thanksgiving, Fourth Church, its neighbors, and fellow members of the Near North Ministry Alliance give thanks for the good news of the gospel within our community. A community meal follows.

## **Community Interfaith Thanksgiving Worship**

**Tuesday, November 26, 7:30 p.m.**

*In Buchanan Chapel*

*Monsignor Dan Mayall preaching*

This annual interfaith service brings together the faith communities of Chicago Sinai Congregation, Fourth Presbyterian Church, and Holy Name Cathedral for a time of joint worship and thanksgiving.

## **Thanksgiving Day Worship**

**Thursday, November 28, 11:00 a.m.**

*In the Sanctuary, Victoria G. Curtiss preaching*

Each year members and friends of Fourth Church gather in the Sanctuary on Thanksgiving morning for a time of worship and giving thanks.

## **Thanksgiving Day Dinner**

**Thursday, November 28, 12:15 p.m. | *In Anderson Hall***

Renew old acquaintances and make new friends at this traditional Thanksgiving dinner. A limited number of seats are available, and tickets are available only in advance (at the reception desk); tickets will not be available at the door.

## WORSHIP LEADERS

Victoria G. Curtiss, Judith L. Watt, John W. Vest

## THE MUSIC TODAY

The Chancel Choir

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

## WORSHIP NOTES

**A special Disaster Relief Offering** is being received today to help meet the emergency needs of those affected by the typhoon in the Philippines. Gifts, which will be distributed through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, can be made by using the Disaster Assistance envelopes in the pew racks, by writing “Disaster Assistance” on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church, or online at [www.pcusa.org/pda](http://www.pcusa.org/pda).

**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. 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.

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