

MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE

Petite Suite
II. Prière

Darius Milhaud

Choral no. 2 in B Minor

César Franck

INTROIT

“Somebody’s Knocking at Your Door”

*African American spiritual
arr. Richard Proulx*

Somebody’s knocking at your door; O sinner, why don’t you answer?
Knocks like Jesus.

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

(The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN 457

“I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art”

Tune: TOULON

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

**Most holy and merciful God,
we have condemned racial injustice
and all other sorts of division and oppression
in our pronouncement,
and yet we cling to the privileges
derived from social inequalities when they benefit us,
deferring the hopes and dreams of the oppressed for freedom.
Give us the courage to name our sin.
Give us the strength to claim responsibility for our actions.
Give us the grace to pay the price for changing our behavior.
Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

(11:00)

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

MINUTE FOR DISCIPLESHIP

PSALTER

Psalm 40:1–11 (*responsively*)

(page 486, O.T.)

ANTHEM

“All the World Is One before Our God”

Robert S. Pollack

How long, O Lord, before we come to you? Uplift our hearts, refresh our souls, prepare our eyes to see that all the world is one before our God; the world is one before the Lord of all, who reigns supreme.

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 49:1–7

(page 638, O.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*GLORIA PATRI

(The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON

John 1:29–42

(page 86, N.T.)

SERMON

Daring to Live Together

HARDY H. KIM

“He says, ‘It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.’”

Isaiah 49:6 (NRSV)

*HYMN 386

“O for a World”

Tune: AZMON

*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”

John Stainer

OFFERING

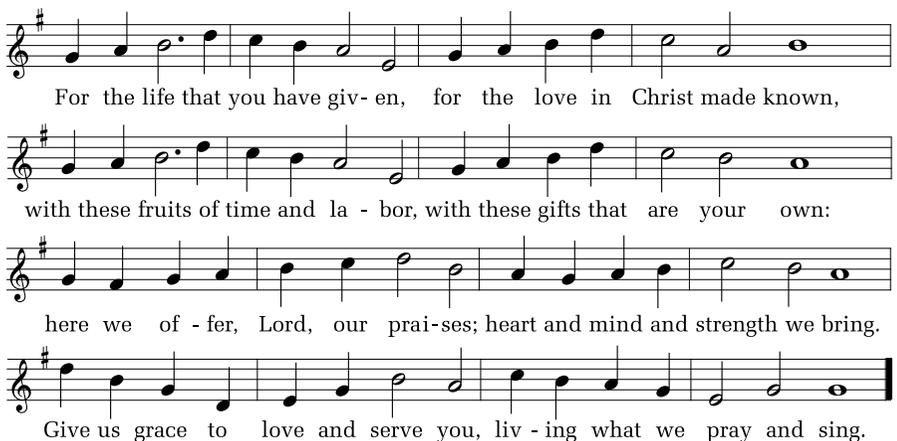
OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Light”

Greg Jasperse

Light, divining light, light of truth, illuminating light, warming light,
softening light, soothing light, serene, revealing light which pierces the dark.
Dark shadows of ignorance, the shadows of intolerance, indifference.
Night falls on the soul. I awaken from darkness; I awaken to peace;
I awaken to love; I awaken to life, to hope, to deep knowing, to light.

*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: **Gracious God,**

you create us and love us;

you have made us to live together in community.

We thank you for Martin Luther King Jr. and all your children

who have been filled with your vision for our lives

and who have worked to make your vision a reality.

Fill us with that same vision.

Accept our gifts and our lives, and use them

to build the beloved community where everyone is welcomed,

all are valued, power is shared, privilege is no more,

and all your children know wholeness and well-being.

Through Jesus Christ we pray.

Amen.

***HYMN 563**

“Lift Every Voice and Sing”

Tune: LIFT EVERY VOICE

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Postlude in C Major

Henry Smart

The bulletin cover photo depicts a snow-covered bush in the northwest corner of the Michigan Avenue courtyard during a recent snowstorm.

The cover quote is from “The Rising Tide of Racial Consciousness,” Martin Luther King Jr.’s address in New York City on September 6, 1960, to the Golden Anniversary Conference of the National Urban League.

Celebrating the Life and Legacy of Martin Luther King Jr.

Eighty-five years ago this month, on January 15, 1929, Martin Luther King Jr. was born in Atlanta. Only thirty-five years later, this pastor and civil rights leader became the youngest individual to receive the Nobel Peace Prize. On this weekend when we join churches and communities across the nation in honoring the life and legacy of Martin Luther King Jr., we read here again the words he wrote from the Birmingham Jail in April 1963, excerpted from his letter, which was first printed in the Christian Century.

“We will have to repent in this generation not merely for the hateful words and actions of the bad people but for the appalling silence of the good people. Human progress never rolls in on the wheels of inevitability; it comes through the tireless effort of men and women willing to be coworkers with God, and without the hard work, time itself becomes an ally of the forces of stagnation. We must use time creatively, in the knowledge that the time is always ripe to do right. . . .

“If today’s church does not recapture the sacrificial spirit of the early church, it will lose its authenticity, forfeit the loyalty of millions, and be dismissed as an irrelevant social club with no meaning for the twentieth century. . . . Is organized religion too inextricably bound to the status quo to save our nation and the world? Perhaps I must turn my faith to the inner spiritual church, the church within the church, as the true *ekklesia* and the hope of the world. But again I am thankful to God that some noble souls from the ranks of organized religion have broken loose from the paralyzing chains of conformity and joined us as active partners in the struggle for freedom. . . . They have acted in the faith that right defeated is stronger than evil triumphant. Their witness has been the spiritual salt that has preserved the true meaning of the gospel in these troubled times. They have carved a tunnel of hope through the dark mountain of disappointment.”

WORSHIP LEADERS (9:30 and 11:00 a.m.)

Joyce Shin, Edwin Estevez, Hardy H. Kim

THE MUSIC TODAY (9:30 and 11:00 a.m.)

The Morning Choir; Nikolas Arden, Brett Potts,
Suzanne Shields, and Callie Thompson, soloists
John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music
Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

WORSHIP NOTES

The Prayer of Confession is from the Presbyterian Peacemaking Program.

Today's Minute for Discipleship is presented by Jim Kulich, of the Interfaith Resource Committee, and Karen Danielson, the Executive Board Secretary and Interfaith Committee Coordinator of the Council of Islamic Organizations of Greater Chicago (CIOGC). They are presenting the Muslim-Presbyterian Covenant, which was passed by the CIOGC and the Presbytery of Chicago on June 18, 2013. The first covenant of its kind in the Presbyterian denomination nationally, it is, for this congregation, an expression of both a trusting friendship that has been fostered over the past seven years and our hope for an abiding relationship in the future.

A special Disaster Relief offering is being received today to help Presbyterian Disaster Assistance provide food and shelter for displaced Syrian citizens and refugees. Gifts to this offering may be made by using the Disaster Relief envelopes found in the pew racks or by writing "Disaster Assistance" on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

The Offertory Anthem, "Light," was composed by former Fourth Church member Greg Jasperse, who wrote it for the fiftieth anniversary of the Chicago Children's Choir.

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