

MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Alexandre Guilmant

INTROIT

“Benedictus Qui Venit”

Leo Sowerby

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

(The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN 88

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

Tune: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

Holy God,

sure of your faithfulness even in your pain,

comforted by your loyalty even in our betrayal,

we beg your mercy.

We fail to follow you unto the end.

When you need us most, we abandon you.

Forgive us for our weakness.

Even now, we look to you for paltry favors,

when you have given everything.

Forgive us our foolishness.

For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,

who spent his life for us, we pray. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER

Psalms 109:1–7, 26–31 *(responsively)*

(page 530, O.T.)

ANTHEM

“A Sacred Song for Palm Sunday”

Richard DeLong

Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Lift up your heads, O ye gates. Be ye lifted up, ye everlasting doors. Who is the King of glory? The Lord mighty in battle, the Lord strong and mighty, he is the King of glory.

FIRST LESSON

Matthew 21:1–11

(page 21, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*GLORIA PATRI

(The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON

Matthew 27:1–2, 11–26

(page 30, N.T.)

SERMON

Confession and Closure

JOYCE SHIN

“Then the people as a whole answered, ‘His blood be on us and on our children!’” Matthew 27:25 (NRSV)

*HYMN 347

“Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive”

Tune: DETROIT

*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

Intermezzo in G Major

Hermann Schroeder

*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.**

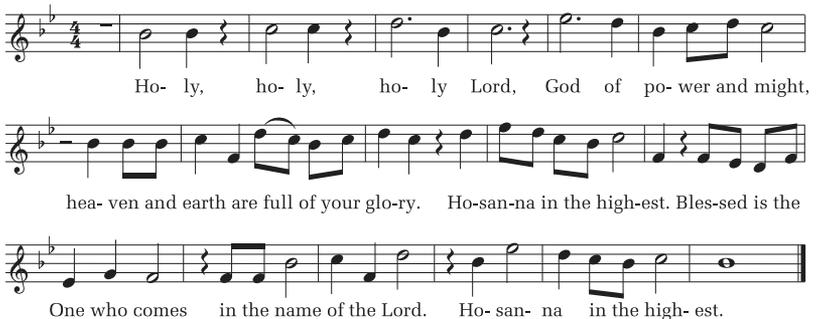
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

“So Lowly Doth the Savior Ride”

Austin Lovelace

So lowly doth the Savior ride a paltry borrowed beast, nor pomp, nor show, nor lofty pride, nor boast above the least, but children run and shout with glee ‘Hosanna to our King,’ and multitudes crowd forth to see him pass and praises sing. He needeth not a golden crown, nor chariot of state, nor saber at his side, nor frown, his will to indicate. His scepter is his kindness, his grandeur is his grace, his royalty is holiness, and love is in his face. ’Tis thus the dear Messiah came to break the tyrant’s will, to heal the people of their shame and nobleness instill. Ride on, O King, ride on your way, while we of low degree exalt and usher in the day of peace we long to see.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *(unison)*

**God, from you we learn what goodness is.
We thank you for showing us how to care for each other.
At your table, you teach us to be generous.
You teach us to be friends.
You teach us to lay down our lives for one another.
You teach us to forgive.
We thank you, Lord, for these lessons
that will be food for our lives.
In the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.**

*HYMN 399

“We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight”

Tune: DUNLAP’S CREEK

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Voluntary in C Major

H. Schroeder

The Lord's Supper at Fourth Presbyterian Church

"Do this in remembrance of me." Luke 22:19 (NRSV)

The Lord's Supper is the sign and seal of eating and drinking in communion with the crucified and risen Lord. In this act, we remember that during his earthly ministry, Jesus shared meals with his followers and sat at dinner tables as a sign of acceptance of the sinner and the outcast. In the act of remembering that is the Lord's Supper, we receive and trust the love of Christ present to us and to the world. Through it, we are renewed and empowered to be the church, the body of Christ, in the world.

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. Access to the Table is not a right conferred upon the worthy but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. 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.

This morning, Communion is served by intinction. The congregation comes forward by the center aisle to receive the bread, which they then dip into the chalice of grape juice. (Gluten-free bread is available in a small tumbler in each basket of bread.) Worshipers return to their pews by the side aisles.

Fourth Presbyterian Church celebrates the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper each Sunday at 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. worship and at all morning services on the first Sunday of even-numbered months.

"I am the bread of life."

John 6:35 (NRSV)

Portions of the text above adapted from The Book of Order.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Judith L. Watt, Mike Ban, Joyce Shin

THE MUSIC TODAY

The Chancel Choir

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

MJ Chen, Organ Scholar

WORSHIP NOTES

During the season of Lent, Fourth Church members are joining clergy in leading worship by sharing in the reading of the Psalter and scripture lessons.

The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering is being received throughout Lent. Gifts to this offering support Chicago Lights Tutoring and the Social Service Center as well as the work of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Hunger, and Self-Development of People Programs. To make a “One Great Hour of Sharing” gift, you can use the envelopes in the pew racks or write “Lenten Offering” on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

Fourth Church offers a variety of worship opportunities in addition to Sunday morning services. A jazz service with Communion is held each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. Each weekday morning, Morning Prayer is held in the Sanctuary as a time to remember in prayer members of the Fourth Church congregation and those in need (9:30 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday; 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday). The next Taizé service will be held on Friday, April 25 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

PASTORAL STAFF

Shannon J. Kershner, Pastor-Elect (*joining us May 1*)

Joyce Shin, Associate Pastor for Congregational Life and Temporary Head of Staff

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