

MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE

Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands
Prelude and Fugue in D Major

*Johann Sebastian Bach
J. S. Bach*

INTROIT

"Alleluia! The Lord Is Risen Indeed"

Iain Quinn

Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed; 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

(The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN 104

"Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"

Tune: HYMN TO JOY

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

**Gracious and loving God,
in baptism you call us to turn from sin and to turn to Jesus Christ,
but we stray from his ways and do not heed your call.
In baptism you join us to Christ in his death,
that we might be raised with Christ in new life,
but we cherish old ways and fail to embrace the risen life
of righteousness, justice, and love.
In baptism you call us to unity, but we foster division in the church
and allow enmity and hatred to grow among us,
putting neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation.
In baptism you send us to serve with compassion all your children,
but we ignore the suffering of the oppressed,
the plight of the poor, and the cries of the hungry.
Lord, have mercy on us.
Forgive our sinful ways, and heal our brokenness.
Set us free from all that enslaves us,
and raise us to new life in Jesus Christ,
that we may be your faithful servants,
showing forth your healing love to the world. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER

Psalm 119:105–112 (*read responsively*)

(page 537, O.T.)

ANTHEM

“A Prayer of St. Ignatius of Loyola”

John Warren

Receive, O Lord, all my liberty. Take my memory, my understanding,
and my entire will. Whatsoever I have or hold, you have given me;

I give it all back to you and surrender it wholly to be governed by your will.

Give me only your love and your grace; with these I will be rich enough
and ask for nothing more.

FIRST LESSON

John 20:19–31

(page 108, N.T.)

*GLORIA PATRI

(The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON

Acts 17:16–34

(page 129, N.T.)

SERMON

Proclaiming the Unknown God

JOHN W. VEST

*HYMN 522

“Lord, When I Came Into this Life”

Tune: LAND OF REST

The 11:00 service continues on the facing page.

*APOSTLES' CREED (9:30)

See facing page

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (9:30)

THE LORD'S PRAYER (9:30)

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THE SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION (11:00)

OPENING WORDS AND PRESENTATION OF CONFIRMANDS

PROFESSION OF FAITH

*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.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION

UNISON PRAYER (*unison*)

Almighty God, we thank you that in your Son, Jesus Christ, you have brought us to yourself and that by the seal of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. As you bind these young people to yourself through faith, renew in every worshiper here a commitment to Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Send forth these young people in the power of your Spirit to perform the service you have set before them.

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.

WELCOME OF THE CONFIRMATION CLASS

PRAYER RESPONSE

“Alleluia, Amen”

Parke S. Barnard

OFFERING

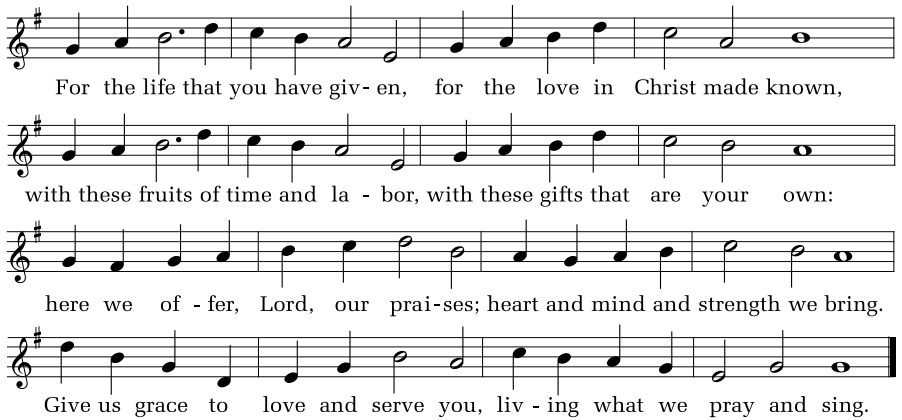
OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Stetit Jesus”

Jacob Handl

Jesus came and appeared in the midst of his disciples and said,
“Peace be with you.” Alleluia. “Behold, the wounds in my hands
and in my feet. Lo, I am indeed your Lord.” Alleluia.
The disciples were filled with joy. Alleluia. Christ is risen. Alleluia.

*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

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

All: **God of heaven and earth,
you call us to come in humility before you,
bringing the offering of our very selves.
You claim our lives in baptism,
that we might die to sin
and be raised with Christ in new life.
By your Spirit, confirm in our hearts the witness
that Christ is Savior of the world and our Lord.
Accept all we have and are, O God,
in the service of Jesus Christ,
and strengthen us with your Spirit's power,
now and forever. Amen.**

***HYMN 525**

“Here I Am, Lord”

Tune: HERE I AM, LORD

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Fanfare

Aaron David Miller

Confirmation at Fourth Presbyterian Church

The following youth participated in the 2013–2014 Fourth Church Rising, the eighth-grade confirmation program at Fourth Presbyterian Church. Please keep them in your prayers as they continue on their faith journey.

Confirmation Participants

Renee Esta Aavik	Lane Sterling Kizziah
Skye Ann Balfour	Samuel Norbert LaSalle
Eliza Cui Zhu Bowers-Chen	Owen Richardson Meyer
Keaton Maxwell Bubala	Griffin Bedford Nuelle
Eleanor Ray Buchanan	Danny Mireku Osafo III
Claire McCormick Calkins	Drake Robert Osenberg
Elizabeth Ansel Canfield	Ana Claire Pranger
Peyton Elizabeth Cox	Graham Alexander Radtke
David Murphy Dings	Anna Dai Yao Rhodes
Zarina Foudree	Anne Ward Satre
Lauren Alexis Freeman	Carolyn Wilson Shields
John Douglas Grissom	Lily Charlotte Shorney
Thomas McConnell	Mayra Staven
Hildebrand	Chandler Forsaith Stearns
Christopher Barris King	John Edward Thomas
Gillian Elizabeth King	Grace Isabel Turner

Circle Leaders

Nichollette Andrews-Maggio	Andrea Page
Luke Beasley	Kathi Rodak
Carole Bekken	Mark Schimmelpfennig

John W. Vest, *Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry*

WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. Judith L. Watt, Janet Reed, Hardy H. Kim, John W. Vest

11:00 a.m. Joyce Shin, Rachael Cohen, Hardy H. Kim, John W. Vest

THE MUSIC TODAY

The Morning Choir

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

WORSHIP NOTES

This is the first performance of the anthem “A Prayer of St. Ignatius of Loyola,” composed by John Warren, who has flown from his home of Birmingham, England, to hear it sung today. After many years of close relationship with music at Fourth Presbyterian Church, he has dedicated the anthem to the choirs of this congregation.

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). A Taizé service is held most months at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Friday; the next Taizé service will be on May 23.

The bulletin cover depicts a pendant hanging from one of the chandeliers in the Sanctuary, with a side-aisle stained-glass window in the background. The cover quote is from Jay Bakker’s book *Faith, Doubt, and Other Lines I’ve Crossed: Walking with the Unknown God*.

PASTORAL STAFF

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

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

Victoria G. Curtiss, Associate Pastor for Mission

Adam H. Fronczek, Associate Pastor for Adult Education and Worship

Matt Helms, Minister for Children and Families

Hardy H. Kim, Associate Pastor for Evangelism

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John Buchanan, Pastor Emeritus

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