

Gathering around the Word

Prelude

- Morning Songs Gwyneth Walker
1. Welcome, Day!
 2. In This Still Room (Are Angel Voices)

Introit

“Alleluia, amen” Richard Rogers

*Doxology (*sung*). The Hymnal, 606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.† Amen.

*Call to Worship

Leader: *May God be among us throughout this day.*

People: **Praise be to God!**

Leader: *May Christ be beside us throughout this day.*

People: **Praise be to Jesus our Lord!**

Leader: *May the Spirit be within us throughout the day.*

People: **Praise be to the Spirit!**

Leader: *May we, as God’s people, be one in faith and live in God’s light.*

People: **Praise and glory forever. Amen.**

*Hymn 338 “O Beautiful for Spacious Skies”

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Eternal and gracious God, we confess before you and our brothers and sisters that we have stumbled in our faith. We have made you small when your call is vast; we have loved with a meager love when you ask for generous care for all; we have sought our own gain and been poor stewards of this earth’s riches. Create in us clean, generous, whole lives, and open our hearts to your grace, O God, that your bounty would flow through us for this, your world; through Christ. Amen.

*Stand as you are able. †Or “Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.”

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: *Friends, believe the good news.*

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

*Exchange of Peace

Leader: *The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.*

People: **And also with you.**

We invite you to greet those around you, wishing them “peace” or “the peace of Christ.”

Concerns of the Church

Anthem

“Come, My Way, Me Truth, My Life” H. E. Piggott

*Come, my way, my truth, my life; such a way as gives us breath,
such a truth as ends all strife, such a life as killeth death.*

*Come, my light, my feast, my strength; such a light as shows a feast,
such a feast as mends in length, such a strength as makes his guest.*

*Come, my joy, my love, my heart; such a joy as none can move,
such a love as none can part, such a heart as joys in love.*

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Psalter (*responsively*)

Psalm 30 Old Testament, page 478

*Gloria Patri (*sung*) The Hymnal, 581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:[†]

**as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

Scripture Lesson

Acts 9:36–43 New Testament, page 120

Leader: *The Word of the Lord.*

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

“Untold Lives” Lucy Forster-Smith

[†]Or “to the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost.”

Responding to the Word

*Hymn 339 “Lift Every Voice and Sing”

*Affirmation of Faith (*unison*) Apostles’ Creed

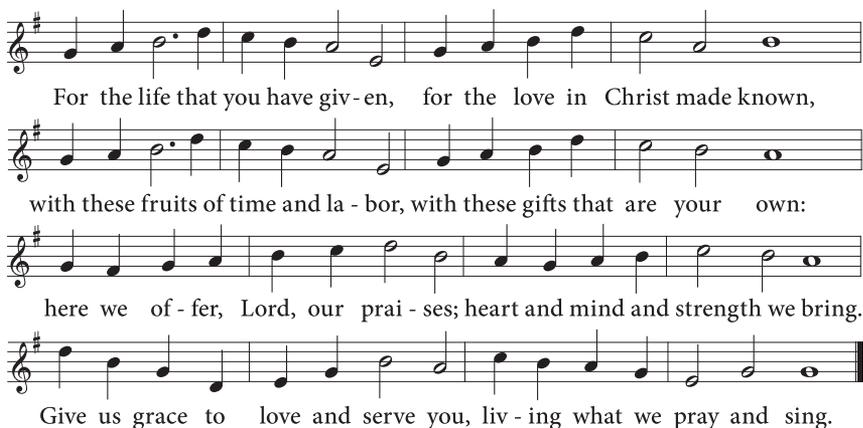
I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;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

Aria Michael Burkhardt

*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.

Sealing the Word

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Great Thanksgiving

Leader: *The Lord be with you.*

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: *Lift up your hearts.*

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

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

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

Prayer

Leader: *It is truly right and our greatest joy . . .*

. . . forever singing to the glory of your name:

Sanctus (*sung*) The Hymnal, 565

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power, God of might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Leader: . . . *Great is the mystery of faith:*

Memorial Acclamation (*sung*) The Hymnal, 566

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

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

“May Now Thy Spirit” Joseph Schuetky

*May now thy Spirit, O Father, descend upon us,
in glad adoration, we praise and worship thee, alleluia.
Holy Lord almighty, restore unto all mankind thy peace and love.
Our sins, Lord, forgive in thy mercy. In song we hail thee forevermore.*

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

We give thanks, almighty and ever-living God for the meal which we have received. May the nourishment strengthen us for your service; may the promise of new life made known in the astonishing brokenness make us whole. May our hearts brim with gratitude for this foretaste of the feast to come: joy upon joy, grace upon grace, reconciled to one another and to you, most holy Christ. For it is in your name we pray. Amen.

Bearing the Word into the World

*Hymn 346 “For the Healing of the Nations”

*Benediction and Response

Postlude

Morning Songs Gwyneth Walker
3. Go Forth with Joy!

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.

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.

Worship Leaders

Victoria G. Curtiss, Donald Kubezko, Lucy Forster-Smith

The Music Today

Women of the Morning Choir

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

Worship Notes

FOURTH CHURCH OFFERS A VARIETY of worship opportunities on Sundays, including this 8:00 a.m. Communion service, worship at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m., and a jazz service with Communion at 4:00 p.m. Each Wednesday at 9:30 a.m., Morning Prayer is held in Buchanan Chapel as a time to remember in prayer members of the Fourth Church congregation and those in need. We will also offer a service in the style of Taizé this Friday, June 22 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel as we do on the fourth Friday of each month.

THE TEXTILE BANNERS AND PULPIT PARAMENT, “Unweavings,” created by fiber artist Laurie Wohl, were commissioned by Fourth Church for use during the liturgical season of Ordinary Time, the longest season of the church year (the season between Epiphany and Lent and between Pentecost and Advent). Through their combination of scripture texts and images, these banners celebrate and elevate the perception of the sacred in the “ordinary” as we make our faith journey day to day. A brochure with more information about the banners is available in the literature racks and online at www.fourthchurch.org/arts/liturgical.html

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