

MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE	Fanfare for Organ	<i>Ronald Arnatt</i>
	Variations on “America”	<i>Charles Wesley</i>
	Fugue	<i>Gerald Near</i>
INTROIT	“Blessed Is He That Cometh”	<i>Eric DeLamarter</i>
	Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.	
	Hosanna in the highest.	

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

* HYMN 262	“God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand”	<i>Tune: NATIONAL HYMN</i>
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PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

**God of all nations:
you led men and women to this land,
and out of your conflicts
you have created in us
a love for peace and liberty.
When we neglect rights and restrict freedoms,
we fail you. When we turn away neighbors in need
and refuse to extend the opportunities of this land to all,
we offend your justice and your love.
Forgive us. Forgive pride that will not acknowledge
national wrong and that justifies injustice.
Forgive our divisions of race and class.
Make us compassionate, fair, and helpful
to each other and to all people.
Raise up in us a right patriotism
that seeks our nation’s good
and the world’s peace and hope.
Through Jesus Christ the Lord.
Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.
People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

MINUTE FOR MISSION

PSALTER Psalm 48 (*responsively*) (page 490, O.T.)

ANTHEM “Simple Gifts” *Shaker melody*
arr. Aaron Copland

’Tis the gift to be simple; ’tis the gift to be free; ’tis the gift to
come down where you ought to be, and when we find ourselves
in the place just right, ’twill be in the valley of love and delight.
When true simplicity is gained, to bow and to bend we shan’t
be ashamed. To turn, turn, will be our delight, till by turning,
turning, we come round right.

FIRST LESSON Acts 4:1–22 (page 113, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

***GLORIA PATRI** (The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON Acts 5:27–29 (page 115, N.T.)

SERMON JOHN BUCHANAN

Sweet Land of Liberty

“We must obey God rather than any human authority.”

Acts 5:29 (NRSV)

***HYMN 561** “My Country, ’Tis of Thee” *Tune: AMERICA*

***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.**

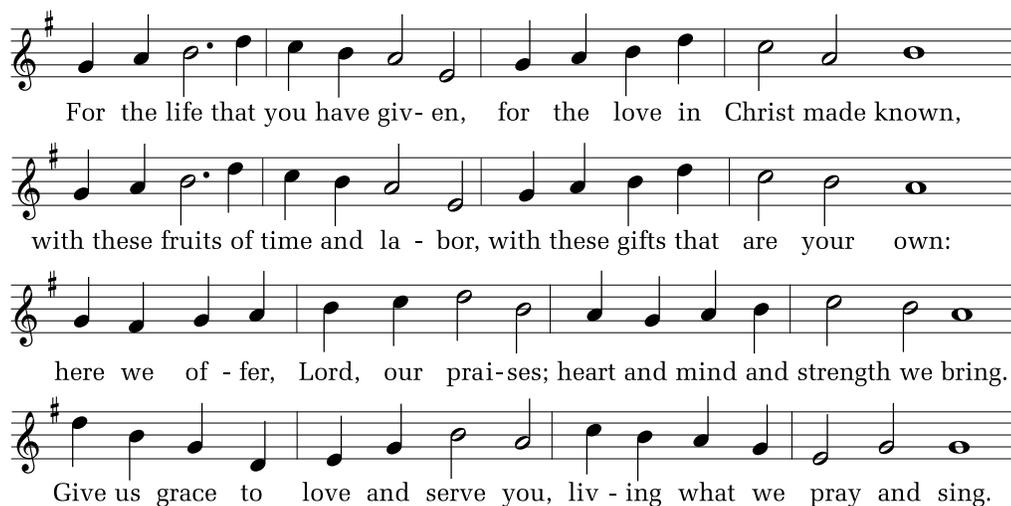
PRAYER RESPONSE “Hear the Prayers of Your Faithful People” *Morgan Simmons*

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM “God, Who Made the Earth” *Leo Sowerby*

God, who made the earth, the sky, the sea, who gave the light
its birth, careth for me. God, who made the grass, the flower,
the fruit, the tree, the day and night to pass, careth for me.
God, who made the sun, the moon, the stars, is he who, when
life's clouds come on, careth for me.

*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: **Great and mighty God,
we thank you for this land so fair and free,
for its worthy aims and high hopes.
We are grateful for people
who have come with customs and accents
and dreams to enrich our lives.
Lead us into the future
as you have led us in the past.
Renew within us our commitment
to liberty and justice for all.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

***HYMN 564**

“O Beautiful for Spacious Skies”

Tune: MATERNA

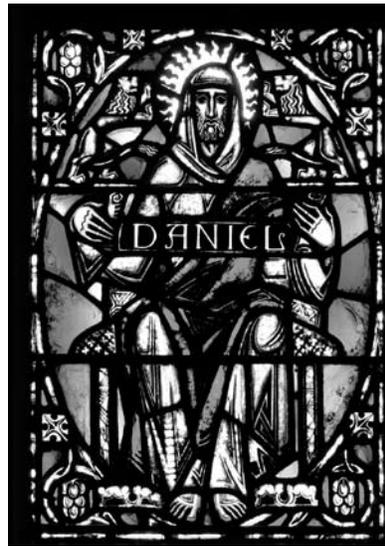
BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Fugue on “America”

Eugene Thayer

IN THE DETAILS



The Great East Window in the Fourth Presbyterian Church sanctuary was designed by Charles J. Connick and given to the church in 1930 by the children of Nettie Fowler McCormick, widow of reaper inventor Cyrus McCormick. The McCormick family contributed almost half of the funds for building the Michigan Avenue sanctuary and facilities.

The bottom of the window panels reads “In Loving Memory of Nettie Fowler McCormick 1835–1923.”

Shown on this page is the third window panel from the left, in which Saint Mark is depicted at the top of the panel, with a winged lion (the symbol for Mark) and the identification “Saint Mark” above his head.

Below him (upper right) is a representation of the New Testament parable about watchfulness in which a journeying householder’s time of return is unknown (Mark 13:33–37). Below that sits the Old Testament prophet Daniel, chosen as the prototype of Mark.

WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. John W. Vest, Joyce Shin, John Buchanan

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THE MUSIC TODAY

9:30 a.m. Women of the Morning Choir

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Richard Clemmitt, Guest Organist

WORSHIP NOTES

This morning's Minute for Mission is presented on behalf of the Senior High youth who will be participating in this summer's Work Camp in Detroit.

The women of the Morning Choir will be singing during morning worship services in July. The men of the Morning Choir will sing in August, and the full choir will return in September.

The textile banners and pulpit parament, "Unweavings," created by 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 image, these banners celebrate and elevate the perception of the sacred in the "ordinary" as we make our faith journey day to day.

The bulletin cover photo depicts the ceiling arch above the Fourth Church pulpit; the cover quote is from Charles Péguy's poem "Freedom."

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